



MINUTES
NEW YORK STATE THRUWAY AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING NO. 713
October 5, 2015

Minutes of a meeting of the New York State Thruway Authority, held in the board room at, 200 Southern Boulevard, Albany, New York and by video conference from the New NY Bridge Project Office, in Tarrytown, New York.

The meetings of the New York State Thruway Authority and Canal Corporation Boards opened in joint session for the consideration of various matters. These minutes reflect only those items considered by the New York State Thruway Authority Board. The meeting began at 1:10 p.m.

Members of the Board present were:

Joanne M. Mahoney, Chair
Donna J. Luh, Vice Chairperson
Richard N. Simberg, Board Member
J. Donald Rice, Jr., via video conference

Members of the Board not present:

Jose Holguin-Veras, Ph.D., Board Member
Virgil Conway, Board Member

Constituting a majority of the members of the Thruway Authority Board.

Staff Present:

Robert Megna, Executive Director
Karen Hunter, Chief of Staff
Gordon Cuffy, General Counsel
Maria Lehman, Interim Director of Maintenance and Operations
Brian Stratton, Director of the NYS Canal Corporation
John Barr, Director of Administrative Services
Harry Lennon, Acting Director of Department of Audit & Management Services
Matt Howard, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer
Larry Norville, Chief Compliance Officer
Cathy Sheridan, Acting Chief Engineer
Major Evelyn Mallard, NYS Police
Matt Miller, Information Technology Specialist
Mark Hixson, Deputy Director Maintenance & Operations
Doug Tokarczyk, Acting Buffalo Division Director
Joseph Moloughney, Acting Albany Division Director
Pat Hoehn, Acting Syracuse Division Director
Stephen Grabowski, Acting New York Division Director
John Callaghan, Deputy Director of the NYS Canal Corporation
Jennifer Givner, Director of Media Relations & Communications
Jerry Yomoah, Board Administrator

Also in attendance:

Murray Bodin

Chair Mahoney called the meeting of the Thruway Authority and Canal Corporation Boards to order.

Mr. Yomoah recorded the minutes as contained herein (public notice of the meeting had been given).

Item 1 by Chair Mahoney (Appendix A)
Approval of Minutes of Meeting No. 7112

Chair Mahoney asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the minutes of Meeting No. 712 held on August 31, 2015, which were made available to the Board Members as part of the Agenda.

Item 2 by Mr. Howard (Appendix B)
Financial Reports for August 2015

The item was advanced to the Board at the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board accepted the Financial Reports for August 2015.

Item 3 by Ms. Lehman (Appendix C)
Report to the Board on Winter Preparedness

Ms. Lehman provided the Board with an progress report on the Thruway Authority's plans for the upcoming snow and ice season.

Details of the presentation and discussion with Board Members are included in the video recording of the meeting.

Item 4 by Mr. Stratton (Appendix D)
Report to the Board on the Governor's Capital for a Day Initiative

Mr. Stratton gave briefed the Board and highlighted Thruway and Canal projects that were announced as part of the initiative. Details of the presentation and discussion with Board Members are included in the video recording of the meeting

Item 5 by Mr. Megna (Appendix E)
Report to the Board on the New NY Bridge Project

Mr. Megna next provided the Board with a progress report on the bridge project. Details of the presentation and discussion with Board Members are included in the video recording of the meeting.

Item 6 by Mr. Cuffy (Appendix F)
Resolution to Authorize an Amendment to the Hoguet, Newman, Regal & Kenney LLP Agreement

Mr. Cuffy presented the resolution seeking the approval of the Board to execute an amendment to the agreement with Hoguet, Newman, Regal & Kenney LLP to increase the Maximum Amount Payable (MAP) by \$300,000 to a new Maximum Amount Payable (MAP) of \$450,000.

Details of the presentation and discussion with Board Members are included in the video recording of the meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the amendment and adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 6062

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE HOGUET, NEWMAN, REGAL & KENNEY LLP AGREEMENT (C010150) TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAYABLE

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be, and he hereby is, authorized to execute an amendment to the agreement with Hoguet, Newman, Regal & Kenney LLP (C010150) for ongoing outside legal services to increase the maximum amount payable under such agreement by \$300,000 to a new monetary cap of \$450,000, and be it further

RESOLVED, that funding for the requested increase will be charged to the Authority's Operating Budget.

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or his designee shall have the authority to exercise all powers reserved to the Authority under the provisions of the Hoguet, Newman, Regal & Kenney LLP Agreement, manage and administer the Hoguet, Newman, Regal & Kenney LLP Agreement, amend the provisions of the Agreement consistent with the terms of this Item and other Board authorizations and suspend or terminate the Agreement in the best interest of the Authority, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

Item 7 by Ms. Sheridan (Appendix G)

Resolution to Execute a Canal Lift Bridge Agreement with NYS Department of Transportation (NYSDOT)

Ms. Sheridan presented the item seeking the Board's approval to execute an Agreement with NYSDOT to transfer jurisdiction over certain state assets, equipment and/or property consisting of bridge lift and movement mechanisms and components

used in connection with the maintenance and operation of certain Canal Lift Bridges and to identify responsibilities between NYSDOT and the Authority/Corporation for such Lift Bridges.

Details of the presentation and discussion with Board Members are included in the video recording of the meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 6063

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) TO TRANSFER JURISDICTION OVER CERTAIN STATE ASSETS, EQUIPMENT AND/OR PROPERTY CONSISTING OF BRIDGE LIFT AND MOVEMENT MECHANISMS AND COMPONENTS USED IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF CERTAIN CANAL LIFT BRIDGES AND TO IDENTIFY RESPONSIBILITIES BETWEEN DOT AND THE AUTHORITY/CORPORATION FOR SUCH LIFT BRIDGES

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be, and he hereby is, authorized to execute an Agreement with DOT for the transfer jurisdiction over certain state assets, equipment and/or property consisting of bridge lift and movement mechanisms and components used in connection with the maintenance and operation of certain Canal Lift Bridges and to identify responsibilities between DOT and the Authority/Corporation for such Lift Bridges, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director or his designee shall have the authority to exercise all powers reserved to the Authority under the provisions of the Agreement, manage and administer the Agreement, amend the provisions of the Agreement consistent with the terms of this Item and other Board authorizations and suspend or terminate the Agreement in the best interest of the Authority, and be it further

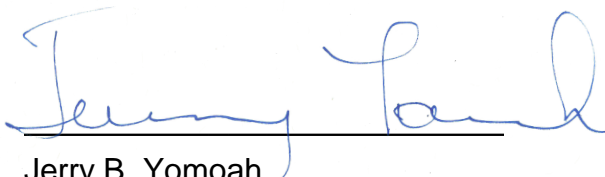
RESOLVED, that this resolution be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Murray Bodin addressed the Board. His comments are included in the video recording of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.



Jerry B. Yomoah
Board Administrator

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