

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING HELD JULY 2, 2024

A formal meeting of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission convened at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 2, 2024 at the Central Office located in Middletown, Pennsylvania. Present for the meeting were Michael Carroll, Chair; Sean Logan, Commissioner; and Pasquale T. Deon, Sr., Commissioner. Available via Teams were William K. Lieberman, Vice Chair; and Dr. Keith Leaphart, Secretary Treasurer.

Also available for the meeting were Mark Compton, Chief Executive Officer; Craig Shuey, Chief Operating Officer; Brad Heigel, Chief Engineer; Catherine Clements-Jenkins, Director of Diversity & Inclusion; Doreen McCall, Chief Counsel; Kelli Roberts, Chief Strategy and Communications Officer (via Team); Rick Dreher, Chief Financial Officer; Robert Brady, Director of Operations/Project-East (via Teams); Robert Taylor, Chief Technology Officer; Stacia Ritter, Esq., Asst. Chief Operating Officer/Toll Collection; Steve Barber, Michael Baker Int'l; Tom Macchione, Director of Traffic Engineering and Operations; and Jeff Naugle, Asst. Secretary Treasurer.

Others available via Teams were Ann Louise Edwards, Cash Manager; Crispin Havener, Media Communications Specialist; Daniel Russell, Unified Technology Solutions Architect (in person); Don Klingensmith, Asst. CFO/Financial Administration (in person); Fawn Cassel, Contracts Management Services Manager (in person); Jason Falchek, Unified Technology Solutions Architect (in person); Holly Herdman, Debt and Derivatives Manager; Johnathan Harmon, Consultant (in person); Kelly Horvath, Executive Administrative Assistant (in person); Marissa Orbanek, Press Secretary (in person); Myia Smith, CEO Intern (in person); Nerma Peco, Financial Analyst (in person); Robert Firestine, Human Resources Specialist; Sheri Norris, Director of Human Resources; Steph Newbury, Senior Procurement Specialist; Steve Marroni, Communications Specialist (in person); Tameka Hatcher, Equal Opportunity/ADA Officer; Ben Allis, GAI Consultants; Bernie Bydlon, Navarro & Wright; Brian Kimmett, Rock The Capital (in person); Thomas Bice; Camille Evans, Endow Law; Cathleen Taylor, TransSystems; Chris Messner, GPI; Dave Snively, CDR; Doug Aiken, Mackin; John Eagan, Benesch; Roger Eaton, HDR; Eric Robl, Azalea Group; Gary Graham, Bowman; Gary Harriger, Arora; Glenn Deppert, Arora; David Gunsallus, Larson Design Group; Jeff Hans, HDR; Heather Sweitzer, NTM; Michael House, Modjeski; Jason Gagen; Jeff Guzy, RKK; Jeff Davis, TransSystems; John Rautzahn, Stahl Sheaffer; Josh Wilson; Julie Taylor, Erdman Anthony; Karen Gabel, Erdman Anthony; Don Killmeyer, ms consultants; Matthew Kusic; Lawrence Richardson, Huntington; Jennie Louwerse, WSP; Luz Santana, SQ Civil; Matthew Macey; Catherine Maloney, SAP; Marianne Campbell, AGES; Brad McCullough, HDR; Michael Mecca; Michele Donaghy, T.Y. Lin; Michele Girolami, Gibson; Mike Houser, Markosky; Nicki Jacobs, GPI; Kenneth Olup, Hill; Paul McNamee, KCI; Perry Schweiss, SPK; Pete Capizzi, Quality Engineering; Ed Reese, GPD Group; Damon Rhodes, Larson Design Group; Curtis Sanno, Dewberry; Seemon Georges, GPI; Sharon Merckle; Steve Daiute; Steve Janosko, Mack Engineering; Tom Brady, Colliers Eng.; William Weaver, TRC Solutions; and Zachary Olawski, Mackin Engineering.



Chair Carroll led the Commissioners, staff and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.



The Asst. Secretary Treasurer, Jeff Naugle, called the roll and declared a quorum available.



SUNSHINE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Commissioners met in Executive Session prior to today’s Formal Agenda Session to consider matters of Personnel, which included new hires, promotions, vacancies and a request to create, post and fill a position in the Information Technology Department.

The Commissioners also engaged in informational discussions regarding various actions and matters, which have been approved at previous public meetings.



PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Naugle: While Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission Meetings are held in person, the Commission will continue to post information on its website for those who wish to attend the meeting virtually. Today’s meeting is being recorded and the Commission will post the recording on its website.

Copies of today’s agenda are located in the Large Board Room for those attending in person. The agenda is also available on the Commission website. The public is welcome to address the Commission regarding items listed on the agenda or other items not listed on the agenda that are within the Commission’s authority or control. In order to conduct an orderly and effective meeting, all persons wishing to address the Commission should have requested time to speak at least 48 hours in advance of this meeting.

Rock the Capital live streamed the meeting.



MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Motion-That the Minutes of the meeting held June 18, 2024, be approved and filed as submitted -was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.



COMMUNICATION

Motion-That the Commission approve the memo received from the Chief Counsel-was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.



PERSONNEL

Motion-That the Commission approve personnel as submitted-was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.



UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business to consider.



POLICY LETTERS

Motion-That the Commission adopt revisions to Policies for the items listed in memos "a" and "b":

- a. Revisions to Policy 8.01, Acceptable Use of Commission Technology Resources, to clarify policy violations, update definitions, change lead time for submitting a request for contractor technology resource access and update the documentation;
- b. Revisions to Policy 8.07, Mobile Device Policy, reflect a change in approach from managing mobile devices to managing the applications and data on those devices, change approvals for employee BYOD stipend requests, and update definitions of Commission Technology Resources and its component parts.

-was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.



CHANGE ORDERS

Motion-That the Commission approve the Change Order and Final Payment for the item listed in memo "a":

- a. Change Order #2 and Final Payment for Contract #T-075.39R001-3-02 for concrete repairs at the New Stanton Interchange with C.H. & D. Enterprises, Inc., for an increase of \$28,847.22 for normal quantity adjustments, drainage, excavation, subbase, rock lining, conduit placement, pavement markings and median barrier, for a final contract value of \$4,006,701.07 and final amount due to the contractor of \$283,741.43;

-was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.

Motion-That the Commission approve the Change Order for the item listed in memo "b":

- b. Change Order #7 for construction of the Mon/Fayette Expressway, Section 53A1, MP M51.52 to MP M55.35 with Trumbull Corporation for an increase of \$210,373.02 for pipe investigation and plugging, additional signage, phase 3 traffic control accommodations and traffic controls in Dravosburg (intersection of Richland Ave and Fifth St), and additional milestone time was added for the completion of the toll facility; for a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$216,957,381.66.

-was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan; Commissioner Lieberman abstained.

COMMISSIONER LIEBERMAN: I abstain on this item because Trumbull Corporation is a client of my firm.

The motion passed.



RIGHT-OF-WAYS

Motion—That the Commission approve the Acquisition of Right-of-Ways Requests for the items listed in memos “a” through “e”:

- a. Acquisition of Right-of- Way #7179-A (Estate of Helen Janas Koss), a total take parcel necessary for the Delaware River Bridge reconstruction project by authorizing payment of \$489,842.38 representing fair market value, pro-rated taxes and recording fees to Diversified Settlement Services, Inc.; authorize the appropriate Commission officials to execute the Agreement of Sale and other documents that may be required for closing; authorize the payment of additional statutory damages as calculated by the Right-of-Way Administrator and approved by the Chief Counsel; and payment of fair market value to the property owner is contingent upon the delivery of a deed as prepared by the Legal Department;
- b. Adopt the proposed Resolution for the condemnation or acquisition of Right-of-Way #6168-B (unknown owner), a total take parcel necessary for the construction of the Lafayette Street Interchange by authorizing payment of \$10,000.00 representing estimated just compensation to counsel named at a later date; and authorize payment of additional statutory damages as calculated by the Right-of-Way Administrator and approved by the Chief Counsel;
- c. Substitute Right-of-Way Easement over Right-of-Way #14S206 (Cristy A. Leshen; Jeffrey Wasielewski), a total take parcel necessary for construction of the Mon/Fayette Expressway, Rt. 51 to I-376, to Duquesne Light Company and Pennsylvania American Water Company for their existing facilities that must be relocated due to the project; and authorize the appropriate Commission officials to execute the necessary documents as drafted and approved by the Legal Department;
- d. Acquisition of Right-of-Way #15014-RC (Cody Ryan Hettler), a total take parcel necessary for the reconstruction of the Irwin Interchange by authorizing payment of \$134,234.43 representing fair market value, pro-rated taxes and recording fees to Fee Simple Settlement, LLC, escrow agent; authorize the appropriate Commission officials to execute the Agreement of Sale and other documents that may be required for closing; authorize the payment of additional statutory damages as calculated by the Right-of-Way Administrator and approved by the Chief Counsel; and payment of fair market value to the property owner is contingent upon the delivery of a deed as prepared by the Legal Department;
- e. Acquisition of Right-of-Way #6342 (Samuel and Kathleen M. Monastero), a partial take parcel necessary for the Lafayette Street connector project by authorizing payment of \$27,804.00 representing payment of rent supplement to Bibiano Avila Santos; authorize the appropriate Commission officials to execute the documents that may be required for closing; and authorize the payment of additional statutory damages to the tenant as calculated by the Right-of-Way Administrator and approved by the Chief Counsel.

-was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.



TOLL INCREASE

Motion-That the Commission approve the proposed 2025 annual toll increase of 5% across the entire Turnpike System effective January 5, 2025; E-ZPass and Toll-By-Plate (TBP) rates for passenger and commercial vehicles will round up to the nearest penny – was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.

CHAIR CARROLL: The 2025 increase this year was a direct product of the decisions that were made with respect to budgets that were enacted by the general assembly dating back to the passage of Act 44. As much as the PA Turnpike is not eager to increase the tolls, the financial responsibility puts us in this position.

COMMISSIONER LOGAN: We work hard to make sure that our customers receive the best value for driving the highway with 24-hour roadside assistance, along with a superb Maintenance force and a total reconstruction program; this is necessary part of running our toll road.

CHAIR CARROLL: Thanked the leadership of the Executive staff of how they minimized the cost to run the system.



PURCHASE ORDERS

Motion-That the Commission approve the Award of a Bid, Change Orders and the Issuance of Purchase Orders for the items listed in memos “a” through “f”:

- a. Co-terming of Palo Alto SASS software products (XSOAR, Cortex XDR, and Virtual Firewalls) for the period June 27, 2024 – January 27, 2028 with ePlus Technology, Inc.; at a cost of \$976,156.00;
- b. Claroty Sensors with Insight Public Sectors, Inc., for additional sensors to replace existing sensors, and for additional coverage for three years (July 10, 2024 – June 20, 2027); at a cost of \$1,567,331.00;
- c. BeOn Safety Communication System software upgrade, licensing and installation, utilizing the Commonwealth’s contract with L3Harris Technologies, Inc.; at a cost of \$257,401.00;
- d. Stormwater Control Measure maintenance for two years (July 2024 – June 2026), to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Mid-Atlantic Property Maintenance; at a cost of \$1,900,000.00;
- e. DC battery replacements, utilizing the Commonwealth’s contract with Industry Battery & Services, Inc.; at a cost of \$628,309.00;

- f. Team Cymru software for one year (July 2024 – May 2025), utilizing the Commonwealth’s contract with Insight Public Sector, Inc.; at a cost of \$308,940.00.

-was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.



AWARD OF CONTRACT

Motion-That the Commission approve the Award of Contract #T-057.00T001-3-08 for the elimination of Bridge WB-504 at MP 61.68, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Mosites Construction Company; at a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,077,777.00 and a contingency of \$70,000.00 - was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.



AWARD OF SERVICES

Motion-That the Commission approve the award of services and authorize the negotiations and execution of an agreement with the selected firms for the items listed in memos “a” through “d”:

- a. T252, construction management services for roadway and bridge reconstruction from MP 57.00 to MP 67.00:
 - Mackin Engineering Co.-AWARDED
 - Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.
 - Erdman, Anthony Associates, Inc.

Staff Briefing by Brad Heigel.

The Commission has selected firm Mackin Engineering Co. for award based on the Commission’s determination that the firms’ proposals are the most advantageous to the Commission as determined by the Commission based on its review of all materials submitted. The firm has demonstrated the ability to deliver the required services of this project. Mackin Engineering Co. is a Pennsylvania based firm and currently employs 60 people in Pennsylvania.

-was made by Commissioner Logan, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.

- b. T254, design services for the replacement of Bridge EB-108 at MP 232.61:
 - Larson Design Group, Inc.-AWARDED
 - Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.
 - Century Engineering, LLC

Staff Briefing by Brad Heigel.

The Commission has selected firm Larson Design Group, Inc. for award based on the Commission’s determination that the firms’ proposals are the most advantageous to the Commission as determined by the Commission based on its review of all materials submitted. The firm has demonstrated the ability to deliver the required services of this project. Larson Design Group, Inc. is a Pennsylvania based firm with many offices and employs 302 people in Pennsylvania.

-was made by Commissioner Logan, seconded by Commissioner Deon; and passed unanimously.

- c. RFP #12013, towing and road service provider for coverage from MP 226.40 to MP 266.40:
 - H&S Towing Service, Inc.-AWARDED

Staff Briefing by Tom Macchione.

The Commission has designated H&S Towing Service, Inc. as the most highly qualified firm for this assignment based on the firm having the capacity, the personnel, its past performance, and the Commission's review of all materials submitted.

-was made by Commissioner Logan, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.

d. RFP #12014, towing and road service provider for coverage from MP 83.70 to MP 127.20:

- JE Herring Motor Company-AWARDED

Staff Briefing by Tom Macchione.

The Commission has designated JE Herring Motor Company as the most highly qualified firm for this assignment based on the firm having the capacity, the personnel, its past performance, and the Commission's review of all materials submitted.

-was made by Commissioner Logan, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



NEXT COMMISSION MEETING

The next meeting of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission is scheduled on Tuesday, July 16, 2024 beginning at 11:00 a.m.



ADJOURNMENT

Motion-That this meeting of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission be adjourned at 11:19 a.m.-was made by Commissioner Deon, seconded by Commissioner Logan, and passed unanimously.



PREPARED BY:

Ann Louise Edwards
Asst. Secretary Treasurer

APPROVED BY:

Dr. Keith Leaphart
Secretary Treasurer

ATTACHMENT

Memo received from the Chief Counsel