

**SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
December 20, 2017**

Chairman Hammer called the Executive Session to order at 9:05 a.m. noting this Executive Session is being conducted in accordance with Resolution 2017-114 of the South Jersey Transportation Authority, which provides for the following:

The general nature of the subject of this closed session meeting pertains to personnel and litigation and contractual matters authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(8).

Present

Chairman Richard T. Hammer
Vice Chairman Jeffery A. April, Esq.
Commissioner Bryan J. Bush
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD
Commissioner James J. McCullough (via teleconference)
Commissioner C. M. Milam
Commissioner Joseph Ripa
Commissioner Donna T. Sullivan
Tyler Yingling, Governor's Authorities Unit
Stephen F. Dougherty, Executive Director
Robert M. Damminger, Deputy Executive Director
Frank F. Frankowski, Chief Financial Officer
David Zappariello, Chief of Staff
Paul C. Heck, Director of Business Administration
Lauren R. Staiger, Esq., General Counsel
Michael Watson, Esq., Special Counsel
Eliyahu S. Scheiman, Esq. Special Counsel on Henebema Case
Adrienne C. Rogove, Special Counsel on Henebema Case
Cynthia Blasberg, Authority Board Secretary

Litigation Matters

Eli Scheiman provided the Commissioners with a history on the Henebema matter and advised of the ruling on this matter by the Appellate Court, as well as the petition for certification to the Supreme Court that has recently been filed on behalf of the Authority and the New Jersey State Police. Vice Chairman April asked how much was spent by the Authority so far on this matter. Ms. Staiger responded that we reached the \$200,000.00 self-retention cap and that the rest has been paid for, and will continue to be, by the insurance provider. A conversation ensued about the merits of the case, settlement discussions and process moving forward. Mr. Scheiman advised he will provide updates as developments occur.

Michael Watson gave a briefing on recent developments pertaining to the Segars case. He discussed options the Authority should consider. A discussion took place regarding the options presented. Mr. Watson advised he would continue to update the Board as the matter progresses.

Personnel Matter

Mr. Heck directed the Chairman and Commissioners to Schedule "A". He discussed the Authority's current budgeted headcount and anticipated headcount. Addressing the Board, he stated that four (4) full-time positions are being recommend, two (2) are current employees and two (2) are new hires. There are also two (2) part-time positions listed which are "on-call" positions to allow for full coverage in the Emergency Patrol department. Also on schedule "A" is the merit increase for the Director of the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization which has already gone to the SJTPO Board for approval. Mr. Heck asked for questions on the matter, no questions were asked.

Chairman Hammer called for a motion to adjourn the Executive Session. Said motion was moved by Chairman April and seconded by Commissioner Hill. The motion carried, adjourning the Executive Session at 9:35 a.m.

Submitted by:

Cynthia A. Blasberg, Board Secretary