

**SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2017**

This regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners Meeting of the South Jersey Transportation Authority was held on January 18, 2017, commencing at 9:00 a.m. at the South Jersey Transportation Authority Administration Building, Farley Service Plaza, Atlantic City Expressway, Milepost 21.3 in Elwood, New Jersey 08217.

Present

Chairman Richard T. Hammer
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD
Commissioner James J. McCullough (via teleconference)
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt (via teleconference)
Commissioner Joseph Ripa
Commissioner Donna T. Sullivan
Mary Maples, Governor's Authorities Unit
Stephen F. Dougherty, Executive Director
Lauren Staiger, Esq., General Counsel
Susan Lubrano, Authority Board Secretary

Absent

Vice Chairman Jeffery A. April, Esq.

Statement of Public Notice

The meeting of the Board of Commissioners was opened advising the Commissioners and public that notice of the meeting was duly advertised in the Press of Atlantic City, Camden Courier Post, Newark Star Ledger and with the Secretary of the State of New Jersey as to the time, date and place of convening. Notice was also posted at the Farley Service Plaza, the Atlantic City International Airport, the Atlantic City Office and Blackwood Office as prescribed by law.

Roll Call

Commissioner	Present	Absent
Chairman Richard T. Hammer	X	
Vice Chairman Jeffery A. April, Esq.		X
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD	X	
Commissioner James J. McCullough	X	
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt	X	
Commissioner Joseph Ripa	X	
Commissioner Donna T. Sullivan	X	

One (1) member of the public attended this meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

Chairman Hammer called for a motion to approve the January 18, 2017 agenda. Whereupon, a motion was made by Commissioner Ripa and seconded by Commissioner Hill, approving said agenda. Chairman Hammer asked for questions on the motion. No questions were asked. A unanimous vote was taken adopting and approving the agenda. A copy of the agenda is attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chairman Hammer called for a motion to approve the December 21, 2016 meeting minutes. Whereupon, a motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Ripa approving the December 21, 2016 meeting minutes. Chairman Hammer asked for questions on the motion. No questions were asked. All Commissioners in attendance voted, approving and adopting the minutes.

Employee Awards

Chairman Hammer asked Mr. Dougherty if there is an Employee Award this month. Mr. Dougherty responded affirmatively, presenting Ms. Ruth Ann Joyce with the January 18, 2017 Quarterly Employee Recognition Award.

Executive Session

Chairman Hammer asked General Counsel if an Executive Session was needed, to which General Counsel responded affirmatively.

Mr. Dougherty presented Resolution 2017-03 to the Chairman and Commissioners for the exclusion of the public to discuss personnel matters pertaining to Schedule "A" associated with Resolution 2017-01. The public was advised that the minutes of this Executive Session would be disclosed to the public in accordance with State Law. Chairman Hammer called for a motion to move into Executive Session.

Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Ripa and seconded by Commissioner Hill approving Resolution 2017-03. A unanimous vote was taken approving the resolution, adjourning the open portion of the meeting at 9:04 a.m. At this time, the public and staff exited the Board room. A copy of Resolution 2017-03 is attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.

At the close of Executive Session, Chairman Hammer called for a motion to return to the open portion of the meeting. Whereupon, a motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Ripa. The open portion of the meeting reconvened at 9:07 a.m. Once the public returned to the meeting room, Chairman Hammer then requested the Secretary call the roll.

Roll Call

Commissioner	Present	Absent
Chairman Richard T. Hammer	X	
Commissioner Jeffery A. April, Esq.		X
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill	X	
Commissioner James J. McCullough	X	
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt	X	
Commissioner Joseph Ripa	X	
Commissioner Donna T. Sullivan	X	

Executive Report

Chairman Hammer asked for the presentation of the Executive Report. Mr. Dougherty presented the January 18, 2017 Executive Report, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.

Committee Reports

Chairman Hammer asked Mr. Dougherty to present the Committee Reports. Mr. Dougherty reported all Committees met on January 4th. During these meetings briefings were provided on the resolutions being presented this morning as well as revenue trends, our partnership with the Cape May County Bridge Commission, the Management Audit, highlights from the recent Audit Committee meeting and lastly, our plans to relocate utilities at Bridge No. 20. Commissioners were provided with the schedule of upcoming projects, the EO-8 Report and Airport statistics.

Public Response to Agenda Items

Chairman Hammer asked the public for comments on any of the agenda items. No comments were made.

Approval of Bills

Chairman Hammer asked Mr. Dougherty for the presentation of bills. Mr. Dougherty stated the bills were sent to the Commissioners previously for their review and are being recommended for approval. Chairman Hammer called for a motion to approve the bill list. Whereupon the motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Ripa, approving said bill list. Chairman Hammer asked the Commissioners for questions on the motion. Being none, Chairman Hammer requested the Secretary call the roll.

Roll Call

Commissioner	Motion	2 nd	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Recused	Absent
Chairman Richard T. Hammer			X				
Vice Chairman Jeffery A. April, Esq.							X
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD	X		X				
Commissioner James J. McCullough			X				
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt			X				
Commissioner Joseph Ripa		X	X				

Resolutions and Motions:

Chairman Hammer asked Mr. Dougherty to present the resolutions. Mr. Dougherty advised the Chairman and Commissioners he would be presenting a total of two (2) resolutions for their consideration. Mr. Dougherty presented Resolutions 2017-01 and 2017-02. Chairman Hammer called for a motion to approve said resolutions. The motion as presented, was moved by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Ripa, approving said resolutions. Chairman Hammer asked for questions on the motion. There being no comments or discussion, Chairman Hammer asked the Secretary to call the roll.

Roll Call

Commissioner	Motion	2 nd	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Recused	Absent
Chairman Hammer			X				
Vice Chairman Jeffery A. April, Esq.							X
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD	X		X				
Commissioner James J. McCullough			X				
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt			X				
Commissioner Joseph Ripa		X	X				

Copies of Resolutions 2017-01 and 2017-02 are attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.

RESOLUTION 2017-01 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Pursuant to the Authority By-Laws, the Personnel Committee shall advise the Board on issues related to organization structure, equal employment opportunity, labor negotiations, employment practices and personnel actions affecting an individual's employment status or compensation. This resolution seeks Board approval for personnel actions as specified in the "Schedule A" attached to this resolution.

RESOLUTION 2017-02 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH BLOCK LINE SYSTEMS, LLC, D/B/A LINE SYSTEMS, OF WEST CHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE PROVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FOR THE AUTHORITY

On November 7th and November 8th 2016, the Authority publicly advertised a Request for Proposals for Telecommunication Services at various Authority facilities. These services includes local and long distance switched calling, and VOIP voice data circuits. On December 6, 2016, the Authority received two responses to the Request for Proposals, one of which was deemed non-responsive and was therefore rejected. On December 14, 2016, the Authority's Consultant Selection Committee met to review and evaluate the remaining proposal. It was determined that Block Line Systems LLC, d/b/a Line Systems of West Chester, Pennsylvania offered a competitive, cost effective responsible proposal. The Consultant Selection Committee recommends award of a contract to Line Systems, for a term of three years with two mutually agreeable one-year extension options.

Petitions or Communications, Unfinished Business and New Business

Chairman Hammer asked if there were any petitions or communications, unfinished or new business. Mr. Dougherty responded all petitions and communications were mailed prior to the meeting or are at the Commissioners' place. He further stated he has no new business to discuss; however, under unfinished business the Authority recommends the release of the following Executive Session Meeting Minutes: October 19, 2016, November 16, 2016, and December 21, 2016 without redactions. Mr. Dougherty further stated in accordance with State law, the Authority, its Commissioners and General Counsel have reviewed the minutes and find them suitable for release. He then recommended the public release of the Executive Session minutes for approval. Chairman Hammer called for a motion to approve the release of the Executive Session Minutes. Whereupon, the motion was moved by Commissioner Ripa and seconded by Commissioner Hill, approving the release of minutes. Chairman Hammer asked the Commissioners for questions on the motion, no questions were asked. A unanimous vote was taken approving the release of the minutes.

General Comment

Chairman Hammer asked the public for any general comments. At this time, Commissioner Hill thanked Mr. Frank Frankowski, CFO and his staff for the briefing on the revenue estimates and the look ahead. No further discussion took place.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Hammer called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Ripa to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 9:14 a.m.

Submitted by:

Susan Lubrano, Authority Board Secretary

Note: An Executive Session was held during this meeting.