



## Record of Meeting | June 24, 2021

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's ("Tollway") Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, June 24, 2021. The meeting was held pursuant to the By-Laws of the Tollway upon call and notice of the meeting executed by Chairman Willard S. Evans, Jr. and posted in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1, *et seq.*

Due to necessary precautions relating to COVID-19, in accordance with the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation and current conditions, and consistent with the Open Meetings Act, it was determined by Chairman Willard S. Evans, Jr. that an in-person meeting of the body was neither practical nor prudent. In compliance with all conditions of Section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/7(e), the Board of Directors meeting was conducted by audio conference. A telephone access number was provided for members of the public to monitor and/or participate in the meeting.

*[Bolded entries indicate issues which may require follow-up to present or report to the Board.]*

## Call to Order / Roll Call

Chairman Evans called the meeting to order at approximately 10:57 a.m. He then asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Board Members Present:
Chairman Willard S. Evans, Jr.
Director James Connolly
Director Alice Gallagher
Director Jacqueline Gomez
Director Karen McConnaughay
Director Scott Paddock
Director James Sweeney

Board Members Not Present:
Governor JB Pritzker <i>[ex officio]</i>
Acting Secretary Omer Osman <i>[ex officio]</i>
Director Stephen Davis
Director Gary Perinar

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

Chairman Evans then introduced Lieutenant Ken Benson, Illinois State Police District 15, to provide a safety message.



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## Safety Message

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Lieutenant Ken Benson stated that the Illinois State Police will be running numerous special enforcement patrols and safety checkpoints throughout the summer with the aim of reducing open alcohol and impaired driving. Lt. Benson further stated that 28% of all fatal roadway crashes involve alcohol, and he urged drivers not to drink and drive.

Chairman Evans thanked Lt. Benson for the Safety Message.

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## Public Comment

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Chairman Evans opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was offered.

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## Chairman's Items

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*Item 1: Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held May 27, 2021.*

Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Chairman's Item 1**, the Minutes of the regular Board of Directors meeting held on May 27, 2021, as presented. Director Gomez made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

*Item 2: Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Board of Directors Meeting held April 22, 2021.*

Chairman Evans stated that without objection, action on Chairman's Item 2, concerning the minutes of the closed meeting, will be deferred until after consideration in Executive Session.

*Item 3: Committee Reports*

Chairman Evans dispensed with committee reports, noting that all Directors were present for the committee meetings.

*Item 4: Additional items*



Having no further items, Chairman Evans turned the floor over to Executive Director José Alvarez.

### **Executive Director's Items**

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Executive Director Alvarez recognized Tollway vehicle technicians, Mark Fera, Joe Indurante, Matt Heller, Angel Velazquez and Steve Vezensky, each of whom received the prestigious World Class Technician award from the Auto Care Association in partnership with the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE).

Executive Director Alvarez highlighted improvements made to the Tollway's expanded I-PASS Assist Program, including lowering the initial cost of enrollment and ensuring fees do not have a disparate impact on working families.

Additionally, Executive Director Alvarez stated that Chairman Evans was recently recognized for his 30 years of service to Chicago Commons, an organization providing early childhood education, adult education and senior services in the Chicago area. He noted that Governor Pritzker issued a proclamation declaring June 30, 2021 "Willard S. Evans Jr. Day" in the State of Illinois and shared audio of the Governor's remarks at the event honoring Chairman Evans.

Finally, Executive Director Alvarez announced the promotion of staff member Cassandra Rouse to Chief Operating Officer. He noted that Ms. Rouse has previously served as Chief Internal Auditor, Deputy Chief of Staff, Chief of Administration and, most recently, Chief Strategy & Implementation Officer.

Having no further items, Executive Director Alvarez returned the floor to Chairman Evans.

### **Items for Consideration**

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#### **Information Technology**

*Item 1: Amendment to Contract 13-0218 with SDI Presence LLC for the purchase of Technology Professional Services in an amount not to exceed \$3,340,000.00 (Tollway Request for Proposal).*

*Item 2: Award of Contract 21-0101 to Dell Technologies Inc. for the purchase of Microsoft Software, Maintenance and Support in an amount not to exceed \$1,730,050.75 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).*

*Item 3: Award of Contract 18-0164RR to DirectDefense, Inc. for the purchase of Payment Card Industry Compliance Services in an amount not to exceed \$870,000.00 for an initial three-year term and a possible two-year renewal term in an amount not to exceed \$560,000.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).*



*Item 4: Renewal of Contract 17-0147R with Topcon Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of Global Navigation Satellite System Equipment in an amount not to exceed \$162,792.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).*

Chairman Evans entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Information Technology Items 1 thru 4. Director Gomez made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Items 1 thru 4**. Director Gomez made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### Facilities and Fleet Operations

*Item 1: Renewal of Contract 15-0050 with Standard Industrial & Automotive Equipment, Inc., for the purchase of Vehicle Hoist Inspection, Repair and Certification Services in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).*

*Item 2: Renewal of Contract 16-0085 with WEX Bank for the purchase of Fleet Fuel Card Services in an amount not to exceed \$260,000.00 (Order Against CMS Master Contract).*

Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Facilities and Fleet Operations Item 1**. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:



Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Facilities and Fleet Operations Item 2**. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

## Engineering

*Item 1: Award of Contract I-21-4558 to Lion Construction, LLC for I-90 Pavement Repairs at IL 53 on the Jane Addams Tollway (I-90) from Mile Post 67.1 to Mile Post 67.7 in the amount of \$1,089,361.89.*

*Item 2: Award of Contract RR-21-4584 to Meru Corporation for Right-of-Way Fence Installation on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Tollway (I-390) from Mile Post 16.2 (IL 83) to Mile Post 16.6 (York Road) in the amount of \$283,395.00.*

*Item 3: Award of Contract RR-21-4580 to Foundation Mechanics, LLC for M-8 Maintenance Facility Eastbound Access on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) from Mile Post 117.7 to Mile Post 117.9 in the amount of \$770,804.56.*

*Item 4: Award of Contract RR-21-9230 to Marking Specialists Corporation for Pavement Marking, Systemwide in the amount of \$1,473,555.65.*

*Item 5: Award of Contract RR-21-4575R to Western Remac, Inc. for Plaza Improvements on the Tri-State Tollway and Edens Spur Tollway (I-94) from Mile Post 12.8 to Mile Post 27.4 and Tri-State Tollway (I-294) from Mile Post 44.2 to Mile Post 49.9 in the amount of \$2,134,078.70.*

*Item 6: Award of Contract RR-20-4550 to Lorig Construction Company for Pedestrian Bridge Construction on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) at Mile Post 26.5 in the amount of \$6,218,133.36.*



Chairman Evans entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 1 thru 6. Director Gomez made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 1 thru 6**. Director Gomez made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

## Legal

*Item 1: Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for work associated with the I-294/I-57 Interchange. Cost to the Tollway: \$0.*

*Item 2: Amendment to Land Acquisition Resolution 22216 for the Central Tri-State Project (I-294) to add 20 parcels that may need to be acquired by condemnation. See ISTHA v. DiBenedetto, 275 Ill. App. 3d 400, 405 (1st Dist. 1995). Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.*

*Item 3: Amendment to Land Acquisition Resolution 21965 for the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project (EOWA) to add 11 parcels that may need to be acquired by condemnation. See ISTHA v. DiBenedetto, 275 Ill. App. 3d 400, 405 (1st Dist. 1995). Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.*

Chairman Evans stated that without objection, action on Legal Items 2 and 3 will be deferred until after consideration in Executive Session.



Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 1**, as presented. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### **Business Systems**

*Item 1: Award of Contract 20-0066 to Professional Account Management, LLC provides an outsourced, turnkey solution for toll violation enforcement services for an initial five-year term and a possible five-year renewal term. As part of a revenue share of collected debt, a portion of recovered revenue by Professional Account Management will be paid to the Illinois Tollway (Tollway Request for Proposal).*

*Item 2: Approval of Extension of Amnesty Program.*

*Item 3: Award of Contract 21-0088 to 1st Choice Specialty Services, Inc. for the purchase of Marketing Incentives in an amount not to exceed \$433,000.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).*

Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Business Systems Item 1**, as presented. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Business Systems Item 2**, as presented. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)



Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

Chairman Evans stated that without objection, consideration of Business Systems Item 3, which was deferred at committee, will be deferred until a future meeting.

### Executive Session

Chairman Evans called for a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to exceptions provided in Sections 2(c)5 and 21 of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)5 and 21, to consider Tollway matters related to the purchase or lease of real property and the minutes of closed meetings. Director Gomez made a motion, pursuant to the sections specified, to enter Executive Session, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### Return from Executive Session and Action (if any)

Board Members Present:
Chairman Willard S. Evans, Jr.
Director James Connolly
Director Alice Gallagher
Director Jacqueline Gomez
Director Karen McConnaughay
Director Scott Paddock
Director James Sweeney

Board Members Not Present:
Governor JB Pritzker <i>[ex officio]</i>
Acting Secretary Omer Osman <i>[ex officio]</i>
Director Stephen Davis
Director Gary Perinar

At approximately 11:21 a.m., the Board re-entered the public session of the Meeting.

*Chairman's Item 2: Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held April 22, 2021.*





Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Chairman's Item 2**, the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Board of Directors meeting held on April 22, 2021. Director Gomez made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

*Legal Item 2: Amendment to Land Acquisition Resolution 22216 for the Central Tri-State Project (I-294) to add 20 parcels that may need to be acquired by condemnation. See ISTHA v. DiBenedetto, 275 Ill. App. 3d 400, 405 (1st Dist. 1995). Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.*

Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 2**, as discussed in Executive Session. Director Gomez made a motion, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Gallagher (1)

The motion PASSED.

*Legal Item 3: Amendment to Land Acquisition Resolution 21965 for the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project (EOWA) to add 11 parcels that may need to be acquired by condemnation. See ISTHA v. DiBenedetto, 275 Ill. App. 3d 400, 405 (1st Dist. 1995). Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.*

Chairman Evans entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 3**, as discussed in Executive Session. Director Gomez made a motion, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)



The motion PASSED.

### **Adjournment**

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There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Evans entertained a motion to adjourn. Director Gomez made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chairman Evans asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Evans (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:25 a.m.

Minutes taken by: \_\_\_\_\_

Christi Regnery  
Board Secretary  
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority