

Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Record of Meeting | August 18, 2022

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's ("Tollway") Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, August 18, 2022. The meeting was held pursuant to the By-Laws of the Tollway upon call and notice of the meeting executed by Chair Dorothy Abreu 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 Chair Abreu 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 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

Chair Abreu called the meeting to order at approximately 10:26 a.m. Chair Abreu asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Board Members Present:
Chair Dorothy Abreu
Director James Connolly
Director Alice Gallagher
Director Karen McConnaughay
Director Scott Paddock
Director Gary Perinar
Director James Sweeney
Secretary Omer Osman [ex officio] (joined briefly to participate in the vote on Eng. Item 1)

Board Members Not Present:
Governor JB Pritzker [ex officio]
Director Jacqueline Gomez

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

Chair Abreu stated that despite challenges, the Board and staff continue to work daily to lead with integrity, strive for transparency, and work collaboratively to meet agency goals and advance the Move Illinois capital plan.



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Chair Abreu introduced Lt. Ken Benson, Illinois State Police District 15, to provide a safety message.

Safety Message

Lt. Benson emphasized the importance of obeying Illinois' Scott's Law, which requires all drivers approaching any police or other emergency vehicle stopped along the roadway to proceed with caution, change lanes if possible, and reduce speed. He enumerated the alarming rates at which Illinois State Police squad cars have been struck in relation to Scott's Law violations, resulting in injuries to Troopers. He then reviewed the consequences of Scott's Law violations, which include a minimum \$250 fine for a first offense, escalating to fines of up to \$10,000 and potential suspension of driving privileges. Chair Abreu thanked Lt. Benson and District 15 for their efforts.

Public Comment

Mr. Geoff Daniels, business agent for Teamsters Local 700, addressed the Board. Mr. Daniels expressed concerns regarding the Tollway's implementation of required crane operator training/testing and the lack of collective bargaining regarding this topic. Chair Abreu thanked Mr. Daniels for his comments.

Chair's Items

Item 1: Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held July 20, 2022.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 1**, the Minutes of the regular Board of Directors meeting held on July 20, 2022, as presented. Director Connolly made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Connolly, Director McConnaughay, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney, Chair Abreu (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

Item 2: Committee Reports

Chair Abreu dispensed with committee reports, noting that all Directors were present for the committee meetings.



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Having no further items, Chair Abreu turned the floor over to Interim Executive Director Lanyea Griffin.

Executive Director's Items

Interim Executive Director Griffin stated that last month the Tollway hosted an annual Speed Awareness Day in coordination with the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, which brought together private and public stakeholders to address the dangers of excessive speeding and its effects on traffic safety.

Interim Executive Director Griffin, having no further items to report, returned the floor to Chair Abreu.

Items for Consideration

Facilities and Fleet Operations

<u>Item 1</u>: Award of Contract 21-0217 to G. Cooper Oil Company, Inc., Gladieux Trading and Marketing Company, L.P., and Mansfield Oil Company of Gainesville, Inc. for the purchase of Bulk Fuel: E-10 Gasoline, E-85, Diesel, Biodiesel, and Performance-Enhancing Additives in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$20,162,389.17 for an initial two-year term and a possible two-year renewal term in an amount not to exceed \$20,168,175.60 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Chair Abreu noted she has indicated in advance her wish to recuse herself on Facilities and Fleet Operations Item 1. She entertained a motion to approve **Facilities and Fleet Operations Item** 1. Director Connolly made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Connolly, Director McConnaughay, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Chair Abreu (1)

The motion PASSED.

Engineering

<u>Item 1</u>: Award of Contract RR-21-9256R to Drive Construction Inc. for Plumbing / Fire Protection Traffic Operation Center and Dispatch Center Renovation on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) at Mile Post 19.8 (Central Administration Building) in the amount of \$788,000.00.





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<u>Item 2</u>: Award of Contract I-21-4835 to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC for Roadway and Bridge Reconstruction on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Northbound I-294/I-290/I-88 Interchange between Mile Post 30.5 (Roosevelt Road) and Mile Post 32.4 (St. Charles Road) in the amount of \$205,907,291.50.

<u>Item 3</u>: Award of Contract I-19-4485 to Schwartz Excavating, Inc. for Grading and Drainage Improvements, Tri-State Tollway (I-294) at the Elmhurst Quarry in the amount of \$2,305,239.73.

<u>Item 4</u>: Award of Contract I-21-4834 to Lorig Construction Company for Roadway and Bridge Reconstruction and Widening on the Tri State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 27.8 (Ogden Avenue) and Mile Post 29.5 (Cermak Road) in the amount of \$130,421,625.65.

<u>Item 5</u>: Change Order on I-20-4519 to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Assoc., LLC for Roadway & Bridge Reconstruction on the Tri State Tollway (I-294) Tollway between Mile Post 22.3 (75th Street) and Mile Post 24.1 (I-55 Ramps) in the amount of \$1,200,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$128,123,998.99 to \$129,323,998.99.

<u>Item 6</u>: Amendment to Resolution on I-18-4431 to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC for Roadway and Bridge Reconstruction on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) from Mile Post 20.7 to Mile Post 22.7 (Mile Long Bridge) in the amount of \$628,500.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$184,769,834.65 to \$185,398,334.65.

<u>Item 7</u>: Acceptance of Proposal from BLA, Inc. (dba Bollinger, Lach & Associates., Inc.) on Contract I-21-4748 for Construction Management Services on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access (I 490) between I-90 and I-294 at Franklin Avenue in an amount not to exceed \$6,549,003.38.

<u>Item 8</u>: Acceptance of Proposal from Applied Research Associates, Inc. on Contract MO-17-1238 for Supplemental Pavement Specialist Services for Pavement Roadway Management Services, Systemwide in an amount not to exceed \$7,769,179.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$16,100,000.00 to \$23,869,179.00.

[Secretary Omer Osman, ex officio member of the Tollway Board of Directors, joined briefly by telephone at this time.]

Chair Abreu noted that she and Director Perinar have indicated in advance their wish to recuse themselves on Engineering Item 1. She requested, without objection, that this item be taken first.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 1**. Director Connolly made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:



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Yeas: Director Connolly, Director McConnaughay, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Secretary Osman (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Perinar, Chair Abreu (2)

The motion PASSED.

[Secretary Osman departed the Meeting at this time.]

Chair Abreu noted that she has also indicated in advance her wish to recuse herself on Engineering Items 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8. She requested, without objection, that these items be taken next as a group.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8. Director Connolly made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Connolly, Director McConnaughay, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Chair Abreu (1)

The motion PASSED.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8.** Director Connolly made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Connolly, Director McConnaughay, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Chair Abreu (1)

The motion PASSED.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 3**. Director Connolly made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:



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Yeas: Director Connolly, Director McConnaughay, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney, Chair Abreu (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 7**. Director Connolly made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Connolly, Director McConnaughay, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney, Chair Abreu (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

Adjournment

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

Yeas: Director Connolly, Director McConnaughay, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney, Chair Abreu (7)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:42 a.m.

Minutes taken by:

Christi Regnery
Board Secretary
State Toll Highway Authority

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