



Record of Meeting | March 21, 2024

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority’s (“Tollway”) Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, March 21, 2024, in the Boardroom of Tollway headquarters in Downers Grove, Illinois. The meeting was held pursuant to the By-Laws of the Tollway upon call and notice of the meeting executed by Chairman Arnaldo Rivera and posted in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1, *et seq.*

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

Call to Order / Roll Call

Chairman Rivera called the meeting to order at approximately 9:26 a.m. and asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Board Members Present:
Director James Connolly
Director Jacqueline Gomez
Director Karen McConnaughay
Director Melissa Neddermeyer
Director Scott Paddock
Director James Sweeney
Director Mark Wright
Chairman Arnaldo Rivera

Board Members Not Present:
Governor JB Pritzker [<i>ex officio</i>]
Secretary Omer Osman [<i>ex officio</i>]
Director Gary Perinar, Jr.

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

Chairman Rivera asked Lt. Sergio Ortiz of Illinois State Police Troop 15 to provide the monthly safety message.

Safety Message

Lt. Ortiz stated that April is national Distracted Driving awareness month, noting that according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 3,142 people were killed in 2020 by distracted driving across the nation.



Lt. Ortiz reminded drivers that “distracted driving” is any activity that diverts attention from driving, including talking or texting on the phone, eating and drinking, or adjusting the stereo. He emphasized the importance of making responsible choices by avoiding distractions behind the wheel, ensuring a safer commute for everyone on the road.

Public Comment

Chairman Rivera opened the floor for public comment.

Mr. Joseph Richert, Ms. Clovia Lockridge and Mr. Eric White addressed the Board, each offering comments concerning the Tollway’s ongoing negotiations with SEIU Local 73 and the pending layoffs.

Chairman Rivera thanked the speakers for their comments.

Chair’s Items

Item 1: Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held February 22, 2024.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair’s Item 1**, the minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held February 22, 2024. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Item 2: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held February 22, 2024.

Chairman Rivera stated that without objection, action on Chair’s Item 2 will be deferred until after consideration in the Executive Session.

Item 3: Approval of Resolution to Reappoint Tollway Board Secretary and Assistant Secretaries.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair’s Item 3**, reappointment of the Board Secretary and Assistant Secretaries. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve the reappointments, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Item 4: Committee Reports

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



Item 5: Additional Items

Chairman Rivera, having no further items, turned the floor over to Executive Director Cassaundra Rouse.

Executive Director's Items

Executive Director Rouse reported that March is National Women's History Month. She expressed her gratitude to all the women playing a role in writing the Illinois Tollway's history.

Executive Director Rouse highlighted that the Tollway was recently honored with HACIA's "Agency of the Year" award for excellence in engineering and design. She stated that the award is a testament to the work of the Engineering, Procurement and Diversity departments that enable the Agency to continue to create and support opportunities that allow businesses and workers to thrive and grow in the transportation industry.

Lastly, Executive Director Rouse congratulated Directors Connolly, McConnaughay, Paddock, Perinar, and Sweeney on their 5-year anniversaries at the Tollway.

Items for Consideration

Finance

Item 1: Award of Contract 24-0008 to RSUI Indemnity Company, Westchester Fire Insurance Company, Lloyd's of London, Westchester Surplus Lines Insurance Company, and RLI Insurance Company for the purchase of Property Insurance Program Services through the insurance broker, Mesiraw Insurance Services, Inc. (Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.) for the combined annual premium of \$2,272,635.00 for a one-year term (Order Against CMS Master Contract).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Finance Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Information Technology

Item 1: Award of Contract 24-0049 to Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of Motorola Starcom Radio Services in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000.00 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).



Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Engineering

Item 1: Award of Contract RR-23-9293 to Foundation Mechanics, LLC for Plaza Canopy Repairs on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94 and I-294) at Mile Post 4.8 (Plaza 21 Waukegan) and Mile Post 38.9 (Plaza 33 Irving Park) in the amount of \$1,354,999.00.

Item 2: Award of Contract RR-23-4937 to Lorig Construction Company for Bridge Rehabilitation on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) at Mile Post 11.0 (Over Cal-Sag Channel) in the amount of \$2,897,149.64.

Item 3: Acceptance of Proposal from Clark Dietz, Inc. on Contract I-23-4757 for Construction Management Services on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access (I-490) at York Road in an amount not to exceed \$3,999,981.57.

Item 4: Award of Contract 24-0019 to New Bedford Panoramex Corporation for the purchase of Approach Lighting with Sequenced Flashing Lights System Equipment in an amount not to exceed \$173,771.04 (Tollway Sole Source).

Item 5: Land Acquisition – Declaration of Parcel NW-7A-12-101.EX2 located in Elk Grove Village, IL as excess property.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 1-5. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 1-5**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Business Systems

Item 1: Amendment of Contract 20-0066 with Professional Account Management, LLC for the purchase of Violation Enforcement Program Services. As part of a revenue share of collected debt, a portion of recovered revenue by Professional Account Management, LLC will be paid to the Illinois Tollway (Tollway Request for Proposal).



Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Business Systems Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Executive Session

Chairman Rivera called for a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to exceptions provided in Sections 2(c)(1), (2) and (21) of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (1), (2) and (21), to consider Tollway matters related to personnel, collective bargaining, and the minutes of closed meetings. Director Neddermeyer made a motion, pursuant to the sections specified, to enter Executive Session, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

At approximately 9:45 a.m., the Board entered Executive Session.

Return from Executive Session and Action (if any)

At approximately 10:31 a.m., the Board re-entered the public session of the Meeting.

Chair's Item 2: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held February 22, 2024.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 2**, the Executive Session minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held February 22, 2024. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to adjourn. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Wright. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:32 a.m.

Minutes taken by: _____

Christi Regnery
Board Secretary
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority