



**NEW YORK STATE THRUWAY AUTHORITY  
NEW YORK STATE CANAL CORPORATION**



# **MINUTES**

## **MAJOR PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 4**

**August 2, 2012**

Minutes of a meeting of the New York State Thruway Authority/Canal Corporation Major Projects Committee, held at the MTA Headquarters, 347 Madison Avenue 7th Floor, New York, New York; the New York Power Authority, 123 Main St #1600, White Plains, NY; the New York State Thruway Authority's Buffalo Division Office, 455 Cayuga Road, Suite 800, Cheektowaga, NY; the Syracuse Division Office, 290 Elwood Davis Road, Suite 250, 2nd Floor, Liverpool, NY; and the New York State Thruway Authority Boardroom, R. Burdell Bixby Administrative Building, 200 Southern Boulevard, Albany, New York.

The meeting began at 2:15 p.m.

The following members of the Major Projects Committee were present, constituting a quorum:

Present:

Chairman Howard P. Milstein, Major Projects Committee Chair (ex-officio)

Brandon R. Sall, Major Projects Committee Member, via video conference

Richard N. Simberg, Major Projects Committee Member, via video conference

Jose-Holguin-Veras, Ph.D., Major Projects Committee Member, via video conference

In addition, there were present the following staff personnel:

Donna J. Luh, Vice Chairperson, via video conference

J. Donald Rice, Jr., Board Member, via video conference

E. Virgil Conway, Board Member, via teleconference

Thomas J. Madison, Jr., Executive Director

John Bryan, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

William Estes, General Counsel

Ted Nadratowski, Interim Tappan Zee Project Director

Jill B. Warner, Board Administrator and Secretary

Jonathan Ehrlich, Special Assistant to the Chairman

Shane Mahar, Special Assistant to Thomas J. Madison

William Ringwood, Assistant Director, Office of Contract Management, via video conference

Scott Hollis, Information Technology Specialist III

Major Meyers, Troop T

Kathleen Lefave, Special Assistant to Thomas J. Ryan, via video conference

Also in attendance:

Richard Newhouse, NYSTA Retiree

Kathleen Reed, NYSTA Retiree, via video conference

Ervel Douse, Expedite Video Conferencing Services

Pat Reale, Principal Budget Examiner, NYS Division of the Budget, via video conference

Jeffrey Parker, President, Jeffrey A. Parker & Associates, Inc.

Robert Brownstein, Independent Consultant, via video conference

Robert Pattison, Executive Director, J. P. Morgan Chase

Kent Hiteshew, Managing Director, J. P. Morgan Chase

Stanley Grayson, Chief Operating Officer, M.R. Beal

Steven Kantor, Managing Director, First Southwest Company

Steven Eaddy, Senior Vice President, Estrada Hinojosa & Company, Inc.

Michael Burke, Partner, Sidley Austin LLP

## **PUBLIC SESSION**

Chairman Milstein called the meeting of the Major Projects Committee to order. (15:30)

Ms. Warner recorded the minutes as contained herein.

### **Item 1**

#### **Approval of Minutes of Major Projects Committee Meeting No. 3 (15:36)**

After full discussion, on the motion of Mr. Sall, seconded by Dr. Veras, without any objections, the Major Projects Committee approved the minutes of Major Projects Committee Meeting No. 3, held July 17, 2012.

### **Item 2**

#### **Review and Approve for Board Action an Amendment to increase the Maximum Amount Payable to an Agreement for Outside Environmental Counsel for the Tappan Zee Hudson River Crossing (TZHRC) with Sive, Paget & Riesel, P.C. (C100423) (15:45)**

A discussion of the Agreement for outside environmental counsel for the Tappan Zee Hudson River Crossing (TZHRC) was undertaken by members of the Committee. The details of the presentation by Mr. Estes and Committee Members' comments and questions with respect thereto are included in the video recording of the meeting maintained in the Authority's records.

On the motion of Mr. Sall seconded by Dr. Veras, without any objections, the Major Projects Committee approved an Amendment to increase the Maximum Amount Payable to an Agreement for Outside Environmental Counsel for the Tappan Zee Hudson River Crossing (TZHRC) with Sive, Paget & Riesel, P.C. (C100423) and authorized its submission to the Authority Board for consideration.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Major Projects Committee, on the motion of Mr. Simberg, seconded by Chairman Milstein, the meeting was adjourned.  
(18:20)

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