



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



MINUTES

MAJOR PROJECTS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 8

November 7, 2013

Minutes of a meeting of the New York State Thruway Authority/Canal Corporation Major Projects Committee, held in the Board Room of Empire State Development, 633 3rd Avenue, 37th Floor, New York, New York; as well as via video conference from the New York State Thruway Authority's Conference Board Room, 200 Southern Boulevard, Albany, New York, and the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, 4030 Jonsson Engineering Center, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 110 Eighth Street, Troy, NY.

The meeting began at 2:00 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

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

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

In addition, the following Board Members and staff were present:

Donna J. Luh, Vice Chairperson,

J. Donald Rice, Jr., Board Member

E. Virgil Conway, Board Member

Thomas J. Madison, Jr., Executive Director

John Bryan, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, via video conference

William Estes, General Counsel

Jerry Yomoah, Board Administrator

Jonathan Ehrlich, Special Assistant to the Chairman

Scott Hollis, Information Technology Specialist III

Major Evelyn Mallard, Troop T

Jonathan Gunther, Assistant Counsel

Michael Shamma, Acting Chief Engineer

Shane Mahar, Deputy Director, Office of Media Relations and Communications

Ted Nadratowski, Interim Director, Maintenance and Operations

Peter Sanderson, Project Director, New NY Bridge

William McDonough, Investment Officer, via video conference

Also in attendance:

Doron Bar-Levav, NYSTA Bond Counsel, Harris Beach, PLLC

Dan Cohen, CitiGroup

Dan Thompson, CitiGroup

Jeff Parker, Ernst and Young

Matthew Hobby, Ernst and Young

Hillary Kelly, Ernst and Young

Steve Peyser, Public Resources Advisory Group (PRAG)

Monika Conley, Public Resources Advisory Group (PRAG)

Rick Gobeille, Jacobs Engineering

Suzanne Seegmuller, Jacobs Engineering

Stan Kramer, Hawkins, Delafield & Wood
Murray Bodin, Member of Public

Chairman Milstein called the meeting of the Major Projects Committee to order.

Mr. Yomoah recorded the minutes as contained herein.

Item 1

Approval of Minutes of Major Projects Committee Meeting No. 7 (00:00:55)

After full discussion, on the motion of Mr. Sall, seconded by Mr. Simberg, without any objections, the Major Projects Committee approved the minutes of Major Projects Committee Meeting No. 7, held September 11, 2013.

Item 2

New NY Bridge Project Update (0:01:08)

Mr. Peter Sanderson, New NY Bridge Project Director, provided the Committee with a progress update on the bridge project. The details of the update by Mr. Sanderson and Committee Members' comments and questions with respect thereto are included in the video recording of the meeting maintained in the Authority's records.

Item 3

Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute an Amendment to the Agreement for Outside Environmental Counsel for the New NY Bridge Project (Project) with Sive, Paget & Riesel, P.C. (C100423) to increase the Maximum Amount Payable by \$250,000 and Allocate the Funds Therefor (00:21:14)

A discussion of the construction of All Electronic Toll Collection facilities at Yonkers and Harriman toll barriers was undertaken by members of the Committee. The details of the presentation by Mr. Shamma, Mr. Nadratowski and Committee Members' comments and questions with respect thereto are included in the video recording of the meeting maintained in the Authority's records.

Whereafter, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Major Projects Committee approved the item authorizing the Executive Director to execute an amendment to the

Agreement for Outside Environmental Counsel for the New NY Bridge Project and authorized its submission to the Authority Board for consideration.

Item 4

Authorizing Execution of Two Testing and Inspection Term Agreements (D214227 and D214249) with Two Firms (00:27:40)

Mr. Shamma presented the item and explained that the first contract with Materials Testing Lab Inc. is for independent referee services for the New NY Bridge and testing and the second contract with HRV Conformants Verification Associates is for testing and inspection of structural steel.

Whereafter, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Major Projects Committee authorized the execution of two testing and inspection term agreements with two firms and authorized its submission to the Authority Board for consideration.

Adjournment (00:29:15)

There being no further business to come before the Major Projects Committee, on the motion of Chairman Milstein, with no objections, the meeting was adjourned.

Note: Webcasts, which include dialogue of the Authority/Corporation Major Projects Committee Meeting, are available on the Thruway Authority website 48 hours after such meetings occur and remain on the website for a period of four months.