



**MINUTES  
NEW YORK STATE THRUWAY AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING NO. 741  
December 19, 2019**

Meeting minutes of the New York Thruway Authority, held in the boardroom at 200 Southern Boulevard, Albany, New York.

The meeting of the New York State Thruway Authority Board opened in session for the consideration of various matters. These minutes reflect only the items considered by the New York State Thruway Authority Board. The meeting began approximately at 11:26 a.m.

The following committee member was present in Syracuse Division:  
Joanne M. Mahoney, Chair, via video conference

In Albany:  
Robert Megna, Vice-Chair  
Jose Holguin-Veras, Ph.D., Board Member  
Heather Briccetti, Board Member

In Tarrytown:  
Donald Rice, Board Member, via video conference

Constituting a majority of the members of the Thruway Authority Board.

Members of the Board excused:  
Stephen Saland  
George Miranda

Staff Present:  
Matthew Driscoll, Executive Director  
Matthew Trapasso, Chief of Staff  
Joseph Igoe, Deputy General Counsel  
Matt Howard, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer  
Richard Lee, Chief Engineer  
Jennifer Givner, Director of Media Relations & Communications  
Mark Hixson, Director of Maintenance and Operations  
Kim McKinney, Chief Information Officer  
Peter Nilsson, Information Technology Specialist  
Kathleen LeFave, Board Secretary

Staff Present in Syracuse:

Frank Macarilla, Information Technology Specialist

Staff Present in Tarrytown

Khurram Saeed, Director of Communication New NY Bridge

Also in attendance:

Jimmy Vielkind, Wall Street Journal

Joe Spector, USA Today

Steven Alifano, OGS Media Services Center

Dan Keating, OGS Media Services Center

Chair Mahoney called the meeting of the Thruway Authority Board to order.

Ms. LeFave recorded the minutes as contained herein (public notice of the meeting had been given).

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**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD RELATED TO THE MEETING AGENDA**

There were no comments made during the period.

**Item 1 by Chair Mahoney (Appendix A)**  
**Approval of the Minutes of Meeting No 740**

Chair Mahoney asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the minutes of Meeting No. 740 held on November 18, 2019, which was made available to the Board Members as part of the Agenda.

**Item 2 by Matt Howard (Appendix B)**  
**Authorizing the Executive Director to Proceed with Necessary Actions to Implement Toll Rate Adjustments**

The Item was advanced to the Board at the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Details of the presentation and discussion with Board Members are included in the video recording of the meeting.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved the Executive Director to proceed with necessary actions to implement Toll Rate adjustments and adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 6228

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PROCEED WITH NECESSARY PREPARATORY ACTIONS TO IMPLEMENT TOLL RATE ADJUSTMENTS NECESSARY FOR SUFFICIENT NET REVENUE TO FINANCE THE AUTHORITY'S CAPITAL PROGRAM AND TO COMPLY WITH 2 NYCRR PART 203, THE GENERAL REVENUE BOND RESOLUTION AND THE AUTHORITY'S FISCAL MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

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RESOLVED, that under the New York State Public Authorities Law, the Authority has the definitive and unfettered ability to independently fix and collect fees for use of the Thruway system, as it deems necessary, to produce sufficient revenues to cover expenses and fulfill obligations to its bondholders; and be it further

RESOLVED, that under New York State and Federal law, the State of New York has expressly pledged to Authority bondholders that it will not limit or alter the rights vested in the Authority to fix and collect fees for use of the Thruway system; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director, or his designee, be, and hereby is, authorized to take all actions necessary to prepare for the implementation of the toll adjustments consistent with this Board item and Exhibits 1 and 2 attached hereto and that such actions shall conform with the General Revenue Bond Resolution and the applicable statutory procedures outlined in the Public Authorities Law, the Executive Law, the State Administrative Procedure Act, and the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the financial documents satisfying the financial reporting requirements of the Public Authorities Law Section 2804, attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and Exhibit 2, be, and hereby are, approved; and be it further

RESOLVED, that after the necessary actions have been taken, the Executive Director shall present a recommendation to the Board regarding a specific schedule for the toll adjustments, consistent with this Board Item and Exhibit 1 and Exhibit 2, necessary to meet the requirements of 2 NYCRR Part 203, the General Revenue Bond Resolution, the Authority's Fiscal Management Guidelines and determining the environmental significance of any such actions; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the recommendation regarding the environmental significance of this action authorizing the Executive Director to perform and distribute studies, conduct preliminary planning and hearings and file the documents necessary to formulate a proposal for action be, and hereby is, approved; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution be incorporated in full in the minutes of the meeting.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no comments made during this period.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the board voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 a.m.



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Kathleen LeFave  
Board Secretary