

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING HELD JULY 20, 2021

A formal telephone meeting of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission convened at 11:08 a.m. on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at the Central Office located in Highspire, Pennsylvania. Available in person were Yassmin Gramian, P.E., Chair and John Wozniak, Secretary Treasurer. Available via telephone for the meeting were William K. Lieberman, Vice Chair; Pasquale T. Deon, Sr., Commissioner and Wadud Ahmad, Commissioner.

Available for the meeting were Mark P. Compton, Chief Executive Officer; Craig R. Shuey, Chief Operating Officer; Bradley J. Heigel, P.E., Chief Engineer; Carl DeFebo, Jr., Director of Public Relations & Marketing; Charles Duncan III, Esquire, Chief Compliance, Legis. & Cultural Affairs; Doreen McCall, Chief Counsel; Kelli Roberts, Director of Policy and External Affairs; Myneca Ojo, Director of Diversity and Inclusion; Rick Dreher, Chief Financial Officer (via telephone); Robert Brady, Director of Operations/Projects-East (via telephone); Robert Taylor, Chief Technology Officer; Stacia Ritter, Asst. Chief Operating Officer-Toll Collection; Tom Porter, Chief Engineer, Michael Baker Int'l.; and Ann Louise Edwards, Assistant Secretary Treasurer.

Others available via telephone were Catherine Clements-Jenkins, Equal Opportunity/ADA Officer (in person); Don Klingensmith, Asst. Chief Fin. Officer for Financial Administration (in person); Jeff Naugle, Manager of Treasury Operations (in person); Gina Murray, Senior Procurement Specialist; Jesse Ream, Communication Systems Program Manager (in person); Kathryn Hartzell, Director of Technology and Innovation (in person); Kelly Horvath, Executive Administrative Assistant (in person); Shawn Laudenslager, End User Support Supervisor (in person); Sheri Norris, Director of HR; Susan Carson-Casoni, Cash Manager; Steve Barber, Michael Baker (in person); Arianna Johnson, CEO Intern (in person); Brandon Browne, CEO Intern (in person); Cooper Duffie, CEO Intern (in person); Emmanuel Owusa, CEO Intern (in person); Jasmine Mathis, CEO Intern (in person); Puja Neopaney (in person); Adam Claar; Alan Williamson, HNTB; Dan O'Brien, RBC Capital Markets; Don Killmeyer, MS Consultants; Ed Reese, GPD Group; Eric Madden, JMT; Eric Meyer, WRA, LLP; Jill Bolt, Marine Tiger Technologies (in person); Joe Platt, TPD; Joe Romano, LDG; John H. Smith, Navarro & Wright; John Smith, Info-Matrix Corp.; Jon Livingston, Jacobs; Joseph DiFiore, Wallace Panther Group; Ken Utsick, ATCS; Mark Karolski Buchart Horn; Osaze Romany, Bankcroft; Paul McNamee, KCI; Paul Archibald; Rachel Perrego, Susquehanna Civil; Robert Horr, Atkins; Roger Eaton, HDR; Samantha Osbourne, Virtus, LLP; Shane Reid, Navarro & Wright; Tom Rowader, GPI; and Vico Innocenti, Fisher Associates.



Chair Gramian led the Commissioners, staff and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.



The Assistant Secretary Treasurer, Ann Louise Edwards, called the roll and declared a quorum present.



SUNSHINE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Commissioners met in Executive Session prior to today's Formal Agenda Session to consider matters of Personnel, which included a promotion, reclassifications, vacancies, incentive awards, salary matrix and requests to post and fill positions in the Engineering department.

The Commissioners also engaged in non-deliberative, informational discussions regarding various actions and matters, which have been approved at previous public meetings.



PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Edwards: The public is welcome to address the Commission regarding items listed on the Agenda or other items not listed on the Agenda that are within the Commission's authority or control. In order to conduct an orderly and effective meeting, all persons wishing to address the Commission should have requested time to speak at least 48 hours in advance of this meeting.

No requests to address the Commission



MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Motion-That the Minutes of the meeting held July 6, 2021 be approved and filed as submitted-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



COMMUNICATIONS

Motion-That the Commission approve the memos received from the Chief Counsel and Asst. CFO-Financial Administration-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



PERSONNEL

Motion-That the Commission approves personnel as submitted-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business to consider.



SIGNATURE AUTHORITY

Motion – That the Commission approve to grant signature authority to the Assistant Chief Operating Officer for Toll Collection Operations or the Manager of Customer Service and Revenue Enforcement to file and execute Private Criminal Complaints, on behalf of the Commission; this authority was previously granted to the Chief Compliance Officer, due to retirement and re-organization, the duties are being reassigned to Toll Collection Operations-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



AGREEMENTS

Motion-That the Commission approve the negotiation and execution of the Agreements and an Amendment for the items listed in memos “a” through “e”:

- a. Reimbursement Agreement with PPL Electric Utilities Corp. (PPL) to reimburse PPL the cost for the engineering and utility relocation work necessary for the total reconstruction project from MP A38.00 to MP A43.00; at a not-to-exceed amount of \$598,986.41;
- b. Reimbursement Agreement with United States Steel Corp. (USSC) to reimburse USSC the cost for the engineering and utility relocation work necessary for construction of the Mon/Fayette Expressway (Sections 53-A2, 53-B1A, 53-C1, and 53-C3); at a not-to-exceed amount of \$930,000.00;
- c. Amendment to our agreement with Causey Demgen & Moore for arbitrage consulting, exercising the option to renew the agreement for an addition year; at an approximate cost of \$90,000.00 based upon the number of bond issues during the year;
- d. Reimbursement Agreement with PPL Electric Utilities Corp. (PPL) to reimburse PPL the cost for the engineering and utility relocation work necessary for the replacement of Bridge NB-363 at MP A59.20; at a not-to-exceed amount of \$84,598.39;

- e. Interagency Agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PENNDOT) for the Commission to design and reimburse PENNDOT for the associated construction costs for the replacement of the Suscon Road Bridge S-36361 (carrying S.R. 2035 over I-81), for the Scranton Beltway Project and future I-81 widening; at an estimated cost of \$8,500,00.00.

-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



RIGHT-OF-WAY REQUESTS

Motion-That the Commission approve the Right-of-Way Requests for the items listed in memos "a" and "b":

- a. Acquisition of Right-of-Way #14S294 (George Scherba), a total take parcel necessary for construction of the Mon/Fayette Expressway, Rt. 51 to I-376, by authorizing payment of \$95,664.01 representing fair market value, pro-rated taxes and recording fees to Arrow Land Solutions, LLC, escrow agent; also authorize payment of \$75,998.50 representing replacement housing supplement and closing costs to George Scherba; authorize the appropriate Commission officials to execute the Agreement of Sale and other documents that may be required for closing; authorize payment of additional statutory damages as calculated by the Right-of-Way Administrator and approved by the Chief Counsel; and payment of fair market value to the property owner is contingent upon the delivery of a deed as prepared by the Legal Department;
- b. Acquisition of Right-of-Way #6548-C (Paul G. Morrow), a partial take parcel necessary for the total reconstruction and widening project from MP A38.00 to MP A44.00 by authorizing payment of \$507.50 representing fair market value and pro-rated taxes to Paul G. Morrow; authorize the appropriate Commission officials to execute the Agreement of Sale and other documents that may be required for closing; authorize payment of additional statutory damages as calculated by the Right-of-Way Administrator and approved by the Chief Counsel; and payment of fair market value to the property owner is contingent upon the delivery of a deed as prepared by the Legal Department.

-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



CHANGE ORDERS

Motion-That the Commission approves the Change Orders and Final Payment for items listed in memos "a" and "b":

- a. Change Order #5 for Contract #T-241.96S001-3-02 for redecking of Bridge EB-203 at MP 241.96 with Deblin, Inc., for an increase of \$61,830.91 reflecting the amount of COVID-19 related costs that exceeded the contingency amount; for a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$2,893,622.01;

- b. Change Order #1 and Final Payment for Contract #EN-00250-03-06 for roadway and miscellaneous repairs between MP 299.98 and MP 356.42, MP H40.83 and MP H43.44 and MP A20.00 and MP A31.34 with J.D. Eckman, Inc., for a decrease of \$1,460,587.87 to reflect the actual cost of the completed work authorizations; for a final contract value of \$3,539,412.13 and final amount due to the contractor of \$176,970.61.

- was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



PURCHASE ORDERS

Motion—That the Commission approves the Change Orders and Issuance of Purchase Orders for the items listed in memos “a” through “i”:

- a. Palo Alto Firewall Cluster and IoT hardware, support and licenses (through July 2022), utilizing the Commonwealth’s contract with ePlus Technology, Inc.; at a cost of \$471,821.10;
- b. Nuance Natural Language interactive voice recognition IVR software (for the Contact Center Modernization project) with Carahsoft Technology Corp. through its COSTARS contract, to address ACHtokenization software currently being developed and provide funding for the scope of services; at a cost of \$228,229.30;

- c. Inspection and testing of fire alarm and sprinkler systems (through December 2021), to cover remaining preventative maintenance services and additional upgrades to systems in District 1:

Siemens Industry, Inc.	\$250,000.00	District 1, 2
Kistler O’Brien Fire Protection	0.00	District 3, 4, 5
TOTAL REQUEST:	\$250,000.00	

- d. Open Sesame Plus Complete subscription, exercising the option to renew the agreement (August 2021 – July 2022) with Meridian Knowledge Solutions, LLC; at a cost of \$62,286.00;
- e. Varonis software maintenance, exercising the option to renew the agreement (August 2021 - August 2022) with ePlus Technology, Inc.; at a cost of \$209,233.70;

- f. Sodium Chloride, for rebid locations and to add four new locations:

American Rock Salt	\$1,060,000.00
Riverside Construction Materials	1,020,000.00
Compass Minerals	1,510,000.00
Contingency	538,500.00
TOTAL RENEWAL/CONTINGENCY:	\$4,128,500.00

- g. Informatica subscription license, exercising the option to renew the agreement through June 28, 2024 with CDW Government, LLC; at a cost of \$408,508.62;

- h. Oracle/Java license and support, exercising the option to renew the agreement (through August 6, 2022) with CDW Government, LLC/DCW, LLC; at a cost of \$64,858.83;
- i. Automatic transfer switch replacement at Jefferson Hills maintenance facility, utilizing the Commonwealth's contract with Schultheis Electric TSB, Inc.; at a cost of \$213,450.00.

-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENTS

Motion- That the Commission approves the negotiation and execution of the Supplemental Agreements for the items listed in memos "a" through "d":

- a. Supplemental Agreement #2 for design services for the Mon/Fayette Expressway, Rt. 51 to I-376, Section 53C, with The EADS Group, Inc., for an increase of \$4,400,000.00 to complete the final design and for additional work that has developed through the course of Design, including a new interchange configuration in Section 53C-1, extensive drainage work for Homeville Road in Section 53C-2, and re-alignment of the connector road for section 53C-3; for a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$19,900,000.00;
- b. Supplemental Agreement #3 for open-end construction inspection services for the roadway and bridge reconstruction from MP A31.73 to MP A45.50 with Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc. (JMT), for an increase of \$300,000.00 to continue construction inspection services through November 2021 (anticipated completion of construction), and to provide services for the remaining portions of the total reconstruction projects in the area; for a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$12,300,000.00;
- c. Supplemental Agreement #2 for design services for the total reconstruction and widening project from MP A38.00 to MP A44.00 with Pennoni Associates, Inc., for an increase of \$9,500,000.00 for final design from MP A38.00 to MP A43.00 and to complete preliminary and final design from MP A43.00 to MP A44.00; for a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$32,000,000.00;
- d. Supplemental Agreement #1 for design services for the total reconstruction from MP 53.00 to MP 57.00 with Buchart-Horn Engineering, for an increase of \$9,000,000.00 to complete final design services; for a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$21,000,000.00.

-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



PSPC AWARD

Motion-That the Commission approves the award of services and authorize the negotiation and execution of an agreement with the selected firm(s) for the items listed in memos "a" through "d":

a. T00171, open-end engineering design services systemwide:

- Navarro & Wright Consulting Engineers, Inc.-AWARDED
- Malick & Scherer, P.C.
- Fisher Associates, P.E., L.S., L.A., D.P.C

The Commission has selected Navarro & Wright Consulting Engineers. Inc. for award based on the Commission's determination that the firm's Statement of Interest is the most advantageous to the Commission as determined by the Commission based on its review of all materials submitted. The firm is based in Pennsylvania, has demonstrated the ability to deliver a quality work product, and this would be its first Design contract as a prime with the Commission.

-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.

b. T00172, construction inspection from MP 200.00 to the Delaware River Bridge and MP A20.00 to MP A131.00:

- RIG Consulting, Inc.-AWARDED
- VE Engineering, Inc.
- AWK Consulting Engineers, Inc.

The Commission has selected Rig Consulting, Inc. for award based on the Commission's determination that the firm's Statement of Interest is the most advantageous to the Commission as determined by the Commission based on its review of all materials submitted. The firm has performed well on past PennDOT and PTC construction services efforts and proposed a strong support team.

-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.

c. RFP 5875, Communication Systems Infrastructure Cabling installation, maintenance and repair services:

- I.B. Abel, Inc.-AWARDED

The Commission has selected I.B. Abel, Inc. for award based on the Commission's determination that the firm's Proposal is the most advantageous to the Commission as determined by the Commission based on its review of all materials submitted. I.B. Abel, Inc. met all 25 requirements related to certifications, experience and resources and has performed very well for the PTC on past cabling contracts.

-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.

d. RFP 5903, Advisory, Strategy and Independent Verification and Validation Work Order services:

- Deloitte Consulting, LLP-AWARDED
- KPMG, LLP-AWARDED
- The North Highland Co., Inc.-AWARDED

The Commission has selected Deloitte Consulting, LLP; KPMG, LLP; and The North Highland Co., Inc. for award based on the Commission's determination that the firms' Proposals are the most advantageous

to the Commission as determined by the Commission based on its review of all materials submitted. All three (3) met or exceeded the expectations set in the RFP, each proposed strong qualifications and experience of professional staff and each proposed a strong approach and management process. -was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



AWARD OF CONTRACTS

Motion-That the Commission approve the Award of Contracts for the items listed in memos “a” and “b”:

- a. Contract #A-070.60F001-3-02, general construction for the Eastern Training facility at MP A70.60NB, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Wilmer E. Schultz, Inc.; at a not-to-exceed amount of \$2,708,730.00 and a contingency of \$130,000.00;
- b. Contract #A-070.60F001-3-04, electrical work for the Eastern Training facility at MP A70.60NB, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Carr & Duff, Inc.; at a not-to-exceed amount of \$450,000.00 and a contingency of \$22,000.00.

-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



NEXT COMMISSION MEETING

The next meeting of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission will be held on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 beginning at 11:00 a.m.



POST FORMAL

Doreen McCall, a PTC CEO Intern project sponsor, had the CEO interns introduce themselves to the Commission and explained that they are working together to complete a Human Trafficking initiative project and that they will be presenting their project to the Commission on August 3, 2021.



ADJOURNMENT

Motion-That this meeting of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission be adjourned at 11:28 a.m.-was made by Commissioner Wozniak, seconded by Commissioner Deon, and passed unanimously.



PREPARED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Ann Louise Edwards
Assistant Secretary Treasurer

John Wozniak
Secretary Treasurer