

**DELAWARE RIVER PORT AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING**

**One Port Center  
Camden, New Jersey  
Wednesday, September 17, 2025**

**Pennsylvania Commissioners**

James Schultz, Esq., Chairman of the Board (via Teams)  
Pasquale Deon, Sr. (for Pennsylvania Auditor General Timothy DeFoor) (via Teams)  
Dave White (for Pennsylvania Treasurer Stacy Garrity)  
Gregory Schwab, Esq. (via Teams)  
Robert Ghormoz (via Teams)  
Vaughn Ross (via Teams)  
Keiwana McKinney-Forde  
Garrett Snider

**New Jersey Commissioners**

Jeffrey Nash, Esq., Vice Chairman of the Board  
Albert Frattali  
Richard Sweeney  
Aaron Nelson (via Teams)  
Jonathan Young  
Bruce Garganio (via Teams)

**DRPA/PATCO Staff**

John T. Hanson, Chief Executive Officer DRPA/President PATCO  
Jalila D. Parker, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, DRPA  
Raymond J. Santarelli, Esq., General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, DRPA  
Toni P. Brown, Chief Administrative Officer, DRPA  
Jerry Sahi, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, DRPA  
Michael Venuto, Chief Engineer, DRPA  
John Rink, General Manager, PATCO (via Teams)  
Robert Hicks, Chief Operating Officer, DRPA  
David Aubrey, Inspector General, DRPA  
Robert Finnegan, Chief Safety and Security Officer, DRPA  
Ed Cobbs, Jr., Chief of Police, DRPA  
Stephen M. Holden, Esq., Deputy General Counsel, DRPA  
Megan S. Scheib, Esq., Deputy General Counsel, DRPA  
Kathleen P. Vandy, Esq., Assistant General Counsel, DRPA  
Christopher Jones, Director, Information Services, DRPA  
Ricardo DeOliveira, Bridge Director, WWB/CBB  
Michael Christie, Director, BFB/BRB (via Teams)  
Matt Licata, Director, Fleet Management, DRPA  
Omer Ahmed, Director, Revenue & Treasury, Finance, DRPA (via Teams)  
Christina Maroney, Director, Strategic Initiatives, DRPA  
Fran Kelly, Assistant General Manager, PATCO  
Darlene Callands, Director, Government Relations & Grants Administration, DRPA  
Jesse Mickel, Acting Manager, Purchasing & Stores, DRPA  
Amy Ash, Manager, Contract Administration, DRPA  
Ryan Linhart, Budget Analyst, Finance, DRPA (via Teams)  
Amanda Hammock, Administrative Coordinator, Corporate Secretary Department, DRPA

Katherine Hilinski, Records Manager, Office of General Counsel, DRPA  
Dawn Whiton, Executive Assistant to the CEO, DRPA  
Barbara Wagner, Executive Assistant to the CEO, DRPA  
Carol Herbst, Senior Accountant, Finance, DRPA (via Teams)

### **Others Present**

Alan Kessler, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)  
Christopher Gibson, Esq., Archer & Greiner, P.C. (via Teams)  
Michael Eleneski, Esq., Associate Counsel, New Jersey Governor's Authorities Unit (via Teams)  
Jessica Priselac, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)  
Hayden Rigo, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of the Pennsylvania Auditor General (via Teams)  
Eulisis Delgado, PATCO Employee

## **OPEN SESSION**

### **New Commissioner Swearing-In**

By letter dated August 29, 2025, Pennsylvania Governor Josh Shapiro appointed Garrett Snider to fill the vacancy in the Board of Commissioners. The Corporate Secretary, at the direction of Vice Chairman Nash, administered the Oath of Office to the Board's Pennsylvania Commissioner, Garrett Snider.

### **Roll Call**

Vice Chairman Nash called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. and asked that the Corporate Secretary call the roll. The following Commissioners were present, constituting a quorum: Chairman Schultz, Vice Chairman Nash, Commissioners Deon, Garganio, White, Frattali, Nelson, Ross, Ghormoz, Sweeney, Schwab, McKinney-Forde, Lipsett and Snider.

### **Public Comment**

Eulisis Delgado, a PATCO employee, spoke to the Board about the closing and cleanup of the PATCO stations, offering words of gratitude for the efforts and compliments on a job well done. He asked the Board to continue their efforts with working with the municipal leaders in addressing additional issues with the unhoused. He also inquired concerning a return of the "ten free rides" that PATCO employees had previously been provided.

### **Report of the Chief Executive Officer**

Chief Executive Officer Hanson stated that his Report stood as previously submitted and he had no further comments. Commissioner Sweeney moved to accept the CEO's Report and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

### **Report of the Chief Financial Officer**

Chief Financial Officer Sahi stated that his Report stood as previously submitted and he had no further comments. There were no questions or comments from the Commissioners.

### **Approval of DRPA Board Meeting Minutes – August 20, 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the August 20, 2025 DRPA Board Meeting Minutes were previously provided to all Commissioners and to the Governors of New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

There were no comments or corrections to the Minutes. Commissioner Frattali moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

**Receipt and Filing of the List of Previously Approved Payments covering the Month of August 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the List of Previously Approved Payments covering the month of August 2025 was previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Sweeney moved to receive and file the List and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

**Receipt and Filing of the List of Previously Approved Purchase Orders and Contracts covering the Month of August 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the List of Previously Approved Purchase Orders and Contracts covering the month of August 2025 was previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Sweeney moved to receive and file the List and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

**Approval of Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the Minutes of the September 9, 2025 Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Young moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

**Adoption of Resolutions Approved by the Operations & Maintenance Committee on September 9, 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that there were seven (7) Resolutions from the Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting for consideration.

**DRPA-25-062                      Contract Modifications**

Chief Engineer Venuto, PATCO General Manager Rink and Chief Operating Officer Hicks presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board approval and authorization for staff to execute contract modifications to three (3) contracts for DRPA projects.

The first contract modification, presented by Chief Engineer Venuto, is to a contract with Modjeski and Masters, Inc. (the “Consultant”) to provide design services for the CBB Structural Rehabilitation Phase 2 Project (SS&R DRPA-16-001). The modification would allow the Consultant to provide design services during construction for replacement of the vibration dampeners under Contract No. CB-39-2023. The Change Order would be for an additional \$77,647.00 to the contract, bringing the total contract amount to \$1,580,705.00. It would also provide for an extension of two years to the contract’s duration.

The second contract modification, presented by PATCO General Manager Rink, is to a contract with TEC Elevator Company to modernize the elevators at Lindenwold and 8<sup>th</sup> & Market Street

Stations. (SS&R DRPA-24-063). The modifications would provide for the replacement of the existing elevator and hoistway doors for the two (2) elevators at 8<sup>th</sup> & Market (door replacements were not within the original scope of the contract) . The Change Order would provide an additional \$55,000.00 to the contract, bringing the total contract amount to \$1,167,000.00. There would be no extension to the duration of the contract.

The third contract modification, presented by Chief Operating Officer Hicks, is to a contract with TransCore L.P. to deploy and maintain a new DRPA Toll Technology System at all four DRPA Bridge Facilities (SS&R DRPA-24-003). The modification would add the following to the contract: Over Height Detection Functionality; Senior Discount Program Website Hosting; Walt Whitman Bridge DNUB – Back to New Jersey Detection Points; and Credit Card Terminal (PAX) Interface. The Change Order would provide an additional \$1,644,677.55 to the contract, bringing the total agreement amount to \$53,145,259.91. It would also provide for an extension of nineteen (19) months to the contract’s duration.

Commissioner Young moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**DRPA-25-063                      Purchase of (9) Nine Replacement Ford Vehicles for DPRA and PATCO Fleet**

Fleet Director Licata presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate a contract with Pacifico Ford to purchase the following: four (4) 2026 Ford Police Interceptor vehicles; two (2) 2026 Ford F-250 Crew Cabs; one (1) 2025 Ford F-150 Crew Cab; one (1) Ford 2025 Ranger Super Crew, and one (1) 2026 Ford Transit Cargo Van. The total amount of the contract would be \$476,493.60. The four (4) 2026 Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicles are being purchased under Costars Contract #013-E22-326. The four (4) trucks and (1) van will be purchased under Costars Contract #025-E23-587.

Commissioner Sweeney moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**DRPA-25-064                      Purchase and Delivery of Fiber Optic Cables & Fiber Optic Materials for the Commodore Barry Bridge**

Bridge Director DeOliveira presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate a contract with Graybar Electric Co., Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$158,487.15 for the procurement and delivery of fiber optic cables & fiber optic materials for the Commodore Barry Bridge. This purchase is provided with pricing in accordance with Omnia Partners Cooperative Contract EV2370.

Commissioner Frattali moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted

the Resolution.

**DRPA-25-065                      Maintenance Contract for EcoStruxure Traffic Control and HVAC Systems for DRPA Bridge Facilities**

Bridge Director DeOliveira presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate a one-year contract with The Tri-M Group to perform maintenance and service for the Traffic Control and HVAC Systems at the DRPA's four bridge facilities in an amount not to exceed \$243,200.00.

Commissioner Young moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**DRPA-25-066                      Sole Source Procurement Allowance for Energy Absorption Systems Crash Attenuators from Transpo Industries**

Bridge Director DeOliveira presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to have a maximum, not to exceed Sole Source procurement amount on an as-needed basis with Transpo Industries, in the amount of \$125,000.00, for the purchase of Energy Absorption Systems Crash Attenuator repair parts for all four bridges.

Commissioner Sweeney moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**DRPA-25-067                      Purchase of Roadway Aluminum Lighting Poles & Bases for the Commodore Barry Bridge**

Bridge Director DeOliveira presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate a contract with Denney Electric Supply to furnish and deliver fifty-six (56) 37. ft aluminum lighting poles and bases for the Commodore Barry Bridge NJ area in the amount of \$230,380.08. The materials will be provided under COSTARS Contract #008-E22-853 pricing.

Commissioner Sweeney moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**DRPA-25-068                      Sole Source Procurement Allowance for Modification of the Interface Control Document (ICD) for the NJ Turnpike Authority CSC**

Chief Operating Officer Hicks presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to enter into a Sole Source contract with Conduent in an amount not to

exceed \$182,928.00 for the modification of the Interface Control Document (ICD) necessary for processing with the NJ Turnpike Authority's Customer Service Center (CSC).

Commissioner Sweeney moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**Approval of Labor Committee Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the Minutes of the September 9, 2025 Labor Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Frattali moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes. The motion carried.

**Adoption of Resolutions Approved by the Labor Committee on September 9, 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that there was one (1) Resolution from the Labor Committee Meeting for consideration:

**DRPA-25-069                      Federal Government Relations Staff Support and Advocacy**

Deputy CEO Parker presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization to negotiate a contract with the firm of Holland and Knight to support the DPRA Government Relations staff with advocacy and lobbying of federal agencies on funding, policy, and other relevant issues significant to the transportation infrastructure of Southeastern Pennsylvania and Southern New Jersey.. The contract will have an initial term of one (1) year, with the option to extend for two (2) additional one-year periods. The total amount to be expended shall not exceed \$450,000, including the two exercisable one-year terms.

Commissioner Frattali moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**Approval of Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the Minutes of the September 10, 2025 Finance Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Frattali moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes. The motion carried.

**Adoption of Resolutions Approved by the Finance Committee on September 10, 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that there were two (2) Resolutions from the Labor Committee Meeting for consideration:

**DRPA-25-070                      Approval of Contract Extension of Benefit Harbor as**

### **Third-Party Administrator**

Chief Administrative Officer Brown presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization to continue the benefits administration services currently provided by Benefit Harbor as the DRPA/PATCO Third-Party Administrator for one (1) year, from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. This extension will provide for the administration of benefits for active benefit-eligible employees, retirees who are eligible for health benefits, retiree billing services, Flexible Spending Administration, compliance services related to the federal Affordable Care Act, COBRA benefit administration for those employees who are separating from DRPA or PATCO, and other benefit-related services.

Commissioner Sweeney moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

#### **DRPA-25-071      Active Benefits-Eligible Employees/Under Age 65 Retirees, and Eligible Dependents – Health Benefits 2026 (DRPA/PATCO)**

Chief Administrative Officer Brown presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization to accept the 8.95% renewal increase proposed by AmeriHealth for the provision of medical and prescription drug benefits for active benefits-eligible DRPA/PATCO employees, eligible retirees under age 65, and their respective eligible dependents for Plan Year 2026 at an estimated annual premium of \$14,139,664. The annual rate is based upon DRPA and PATCO's current census of active benefit-eligible employees and under age 65 retirees and is subject to change as the census changes.

Commissioner Young moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. Commissioner Deon abstained. All remaining Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

#### **Approval of Audit Committee Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2025**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the Minutes of the September 10, 2025 Audit Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Sweeney moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes. The motion carried.

#### **Citizens' Advisory Committee Report**

There was no Citizens' Advisory Committee Report.

#### **Unfinished Business**

There were no Unfinished Business items.

#### **New Business**

Vice Chairman Nash stated that there was one (1) New Business item for consideration:

**DRPA-25-072                      Consideration of Pending DRPA Contracts  
(Between \$25,000 and \$100,000)**

Acting Purchasing Manager Mickel presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to enter into the six (6) pending DRPA contracts identified in the attachment to the Resolution. Commissioner Sweeney moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**DRPA Board Meeting Held in Abeyance**

At 9:47 a.m., the DRPA Board meeting was held in abeyance to allow the PATCO Board Meeting to convene.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, Commissioner Frattali moved to adjourn the Meeting. Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The Meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Raymond J. Santarelli, Esquire  
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary