

**PORT AUTHORITY TRANSIT CORPORATION
BOARD MEETING**

**One Port Center
Camden, New Jersey
Wednesday, April 17, 2024**

Pennsylvania Commissioners

James Schultz, Esq., Chairman of the Board
Pasquale Deon, Sr. (for Pennsylvania Auditor General Timothy DeFoor)
Donna Powell
Gregory Schwab, Esq.
Vaughn Ross
Robert Ghormoz
James Snell (via Teams, for Pennsylvania Treasurer Stacy Garrity)

New Jersey Commissioners

Jeffrey Nash, Esq., Vice Chairman of the Board
Albert Frattali
Richard Sweeney (via Teams)
Charles Fentress (via Teams)
Aaron Nelson (via Teams)
Sara Lipsett (via Teams)

DRPA/PATCO Staff

John Hanson, Chief Executive Officer
Jalila Parker, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Raymond J. Santarelli, Esq., General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
Jerry Sahi, Chief Financial Officer
Toni Brown, Chief Administrative Officer
Michael Venuto, Chief Engineer
John Rink, PATCO General Manager
Robert Hicks, Chief Operating Officer
David Aubrey, Inspector General
Stephen M. Holden, Esq., Deputy General Counsel
Edward Cobbs, Chief of Police
Robert Finnegan, Chief Security and Safety Officer
Christopher Jones, Director, Information Services
Ricardo DeOliveira, Bridge Director, WWB/CBB
Matthew Licata, Director, Fleet Management
Darlene Callands, Acting Director, Government Relations & Grants Administration
Christina Maroney, Director Strategic Initiatives
Mark Ciechon, Director, Finance PATCO
Darcie DeBeaumont, Director, Finance DRPA
Rich Betts, Manager, Procurement and Storage
Jesse Mickel, Purchasing Agent, PATCO
Carol Herbst, Senior Accountant, Finance (via Teams)
Kathleen Vandy, Esq., Assistant General Counsel
Dawn Whiton, Executive Assistant to the CEO
Barbara Wagner, Executive Assistant to the Deputy CEO

Mike Williams, Manager, Corporate Communications
Elizabeth Saylor, Administrative Coordinator to the Corporate Secretary

Others Present

Hayden Rigo, Esq., Chief of Staff (via Teams, for Pennsylvania Auditor General Timothy DeFoor)
Alexis Franklin, Esq., Associate Counsel, New Jersey Governor’s Authorities Unit
Christopher Gibson, Esq., Archer & Greiner, P.C. (via Teams)
Alan Kessler, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)
Jessica Priselac, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)
Pranav Maneel, Board Liaison, Bellevue Strategies, LLC (via Teams)
Alan Becker, Citizens Advisory Committee Member
Eulisis Delgado, PATCO, Equipment Maintenance
Steven Reiners, Retired Director, Fleet Management

OPEN SESSION

Roll Call

Chairman Schultz called the meeting to order at 9:26 a.m. and asked that the Corporate Secretary call the roll. The following were present, constituting a quorum: Chairman Schultz, Vice Chairman Nash, Commissioners Deon, Frattali, Ghormoz, Fentress, Snell, Powell, Nelson, Schwab, Ross, Lipsett, and Sweeney.

Public Comment

Alan Becker commented on a trip he took on PATCO and stated the trains were clean and the trip was uneventful.

Report of the General Manager

PATCO General Manager Rink stated that the Report of the General Manager stood as previously submitted. There were no questions or comments. CEO Hanson recognized Retired Fleet Management Director Steve Reiners and thanked him for his years of service to DRPA and PATCO. Commissioner Fentress moved to approve the General Manager’s Report and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Approval of the March 20, 2024 PATCO Board Meeting Minutes

Chairman Schultz stated that the Minutes of the March 20, 2024 PATCO Board Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners and the Governors of New Jersey and Pennsylvania. There were no comments on or corrections to the Minutes. Commissioner Powell moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Ghormoz seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes as submitted. The motion carried.

Receipt and Filing of the Lists of Previously Approved Payments covering the Month of March 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that the List of Previously Approved Payments covering the month of March 2024 were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Ghormoz 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 March 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that the List of Previously Approved Purchase Orders and Contracts covering the month of March 2024 was previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Ross moved to receive and file the List and Commissioner Ghormoz seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Approval of Balance Sheet and Equity Statement dated January 31, 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that the Balance Sheet and Equity Statement dated January 31, 2024, was previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Frattali moved to receive and file the Balance Sheet and Equity Statement and Commissioner Powell seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Approval of Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that the Minutes of the April 9, 2024 Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Ghormoz moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Powell seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes as submitted. The motion carried.

Adoption of Resolutions Approved by the Operations & Maintenance Committee on April 9, 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that there was one (1) Resolution from the April 9, 2024 Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting for consideration:

PATCO-24-008 2024 City to Shore Bike MS Event at Woodcrest Station

PATCO General Manager Rink presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to provide support services for the City to Shore Bike MS event on September 27, 28, and 29, 2024, at the PATCO Woodcrest Station. Estimated net costs of \$20,000.00 are to be reimbursed by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Chairman Schultz inquired whether the Commissioners had any questions for staff concerning the Resolution. There were no questions. Commissioner Frattali moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Schwab seconded the motion. Vice Chairman Nash abstained from the vote. All other Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

Unfinished Business

Chairman Schultz stated there were no Unfinished Business items.

New Business

PATCO-24-009 Consideration of Pending PATCO Contracts (Between \$25,000 and \$100,000)

Procurement and Storage Manager Betts presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate and enter into the three (3) pending PATCO contracts identified in the attachment to the Resolution. Chairman Powell inquired whether the Commissioners had any questions for staff concerning the Resolution. There were no questions. Commissioner Fentress moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted to approve the motion. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

Executive Session

Chairman Schultz announced that the Board would meet in Executive Session. Chairman Schultz stated that the subject to be discussed in Executive Session was a review of techniques used in protecting the safety and property of the public. Commissioner Frattali moved to go into Executive Session and Commissioner Schwab seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative and the Board moved into Executive Session at 9:33 a.m.

The Board met in Executive Session.

Commissioner Fentress moved to close Executive Session and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative and the Board moved back into Open Session at 10:10 a.m.

Adjournment

With no further business, Chairman Schultz proposed an adjournment of the Meeting. Commissioner Frattali moved to adjourn the Meeting. Commissioner Schwab seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The Meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Raymond J. Santarelli, Esquire
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary