

**PORT AUTHORITY TRANSIT CORPORATION  
BOARD MEETING**

**One Port Center  
Camden, New Jersey  
Thursday, June 20, 2024**

**Pennsylvania Commissioners**

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

**New Jersey Commissioners**

Jeffrey Nash, Esq., Vice Chairman of the Board  
Albert Frattali  
Richard Sweeney  
Charles Fentress  
Aaron Nelson (via Teams)  
Sara Lipsett (via Teams)  
Bruce Garganio (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  
Toni Brown, Chief Administrative Officer  
Jerry Sahi, Chief Financial Officer  
Michael Venuto, Chief Engineer  
John Rink, PATCO General Manager  
Robert Hicks, Chief Operating Officer (by Teams)  
David Aubrey, Inspector General  
Robert Finnegan, Chief Security and Safety Officer  
Rohan Hepkins, PATCO Deputy General Manager  
Christopher Jones, Director, Information Services  
Matthew Licata, Director, Fleet Management (by Teams)  
Ricardo DeOliveira, Director, WWB/CBB (by Teams)  
Joseph McAroy, Director, BFB/BRB (by Teams)  
Darlene Callands, Acting Director, Government Relations & Grants Administration  
Christina Maroney, Director Strategic Initiatives  
Mark Ciechon, Director, Finance PATCO  
Jesse Mickel, Purchasing Agent, PATCO  
Michael Voll, Lieutenant of Police, Public Safety  
Kathleen P. Vandy, Esq., Assistant General Counsel  
Amy Ash, Manager, Contract Administration  
Carol Herbst, Senior Accountant, Finance (via Teams)

Mike Williams, Manager, Corporate Communications  
Barbara Wagner, Executive Assistant to the CEO  
Luke Russell, Information Systems Intern  
Ryan Mehigan, Engineering Intern  
Joe Farley, Engineering Intern  
Nicole Major, Contract Administration Intern  
Jinell Reid, Government Relations Intern  
Katherine Hilinski, Records Manager, Office of General Counsel  
Anne Nelson, Executive Legal Secretary to the General Counsel

**Others Present**

Alexis Franklin, Esq., Associate Counsel, New Jersey Governor’s Authorities Unit  
Christopher Gibson, Esq., Archer & Greiner, P.C.  
Amy Perrone, Bowman & Company  
Alan Kessler, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)  
Jessica Priselac, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)

**OPEN SESSION**

Chairman Schultz called the meeting to order at 9:23 a.m. and asked that the Corporate Secretary call the roll.

**Roll Call**

The following were present, constituting a quorum: Chairman Schultz, Vice Chairman Nash, Commissioners Deon, Frattali, Fentress, Ghormoz, Snell, Powell, McKinney-Forde, Nelson, Schwab, Ross, Lipsett, Sweeney and Garganio.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**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. Commissioner Fentress moved to approve the General Manager’s Report and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted to accept the Report. The motion carried.

**Approval of the May 15, 2024 PATCO Board Meeting Minutes**

Chairman Schultz stated that the Minutes of the May 15, 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 Schwab moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Sweeney 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 May 2024**

Chairman Schultz stated that the List of Previously Approved Payments covering the month of May, 2024 was previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Fentress moved to receive and file the List 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 Purchase Orders and Contracts covering the Month of May 2024**

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

**Approval of Balance Sheet and Equity Statement dated March 31, 2024**

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

**Unfinished Business**

There were no Unfinished Business items.

**New Business**

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

**DRPA-24-012                      Consideration of Pending PATCO Contracts  
(Between \$25,000 and \$100,000)**

Purchasing Agent Mickel presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate and enter into the two (2) pending PATCO contracts identified in the attachment to the Resolution. Chairman Schultz 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 Powell 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 to discuss matters related to personnel issues, and that any decisions made in Executive Session will be made public when the issues are resolved. Commissioner Frattali moved to go into Executive Session and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative and the Board moved into Executive Session at 9:27 a.m.

The Board met in Executive Session.

Commissioner Frattali moved to close Executive Session and Commissioner Fentress seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative and the Board moved back into Open Session at 9:49 a.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Schultz recognized the Public Safety Department and all employees and staff for their service and hard work. He also commended the Authority for keeping operating expense increases at an average of approximately 1.5% annually over the last decade.

With no further business, Commissioner Fentress moved to adjourn the Meeting. Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Raymond J. Santarelli, Esquire  
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary