



**SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MAY 21, 2025**

This Board of Commissioners Monthly Meeting of the South Jersey Transportation Authority was held on May 21, 2025, with Chair Francis K. O’Connor calling the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Present

- Chair Francis K. O’Connor (in person)
- Vice Chair Zoe Baldwin (teleconference)
- Commissioner John F. Amodeo (in person)
- Commissioner Robert T. Healey, Jr. (teleconference)
- Commissioner Barbara Holcomb (in person)
- Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt (teleconference) *Entered at 9:09am
- Commissioner Christopher M. Milam (in person)
- Commissioner Joseph Ripa (teleconference)
- Jessica O’Connor Esq., Associate Counsel, GAU (in person)
- David Zappariello, Communications Director (in person)
- Kevin A. Steet, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer (in person)
- Stephen F. Dougherty, SJTA Executive Director (in person)
- Paul Heck, Chief Administrative Officer (in person)
- James G. Sullivan, Chief of Field Operations (in person)
- Shawn Costello, Board Secretary (in person)
- Nicholas Sullivan, General Counsel (in person)
- Michael Watson, Special Counsel (in person)

Absent

- Commissioner Christina Fuentes, EDA Representative
- Caroline Roseboro, Alternate Board Secretary
- Susan Angulo, Chief of Staff

Statement of Public Notice

The meeting of the Board of Commissioners was opened advising the Commissioners and public that notice of the meeting was duly advertised in the Press of Atlantic City, the Camden Courier Post, and with the Secretary of the State of New Jersey as to the time and date of convening. Notice had also been posted at the Farley Service Plaza, the Atlantic City International Airport, and Blackwood Offices as prescribed by law.

The following members were in attendance.

Roll Call

Commissioner	Present	Absent
Chairman Francis K. O’Connor	X	
Commissioner John F. Amodeo	X	
Vice Chair S. Zoe Baldwin	X	
Commissioner Robert T. Healey, Jr.	X	
Commissioner Barbara Holcomb	X	
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt		X
Commissioner Christopher M. Milam	X	
Commissioner Joseph Ripa	X	
Commissioner Christina Fuentes		X

Three (3) members of the public attended the meeting: One in person and two via teleconference.

Approval of the Agenda

Chair O'Connor called for a motion to approve the May 21, 2025, agenda. Whereupon a motion was made by Vice Chairman Milam and seconded by Commissioner Holcomb approving said agenda. Chair O'Connor asked for questions on the motion. No questions were asked. A unanimous vote was taken approving and adopting the agenda. A copy of the agenda is attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chair O'Connor called for a motion to approve the April 16, 2025, meeting minutes. Whereupon a motion was made by Commissioner Holcomb and seconded by Vice Chair Baldwin approving said minutes. No questions were asked. All Commissioners in attendance voted affirmatively, approving, and adopting said minutes.

Executive Session

Chair O'Connor asked if an Executive Session was needed, Counsel responded, affirmatively. Executive Director Stephen F. Dougherty presented Resolution 2025-40 to the Chair and Commissioners for the exclusion of the public from discussions related to a confidential personnel investigation and matters protected by the attorney-client privilege. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Amodeo and seconded by Vice Chair Baldwin approving Resolution 2025-40. A unanimous vote was taken approving the resolution, adjourning the open portion of the meeting at 9:06 a.m. Chair O'Connor asked the call operator to place the public audience on hold while the Board conducted the Executive Session.

At the close of the Executive Session, Chair O'Connor asked for a motion to return to the open portion of the meeting. Whereupon, a motion was made by Commissioner Amodeo and seconded by Commissioner Milam. The open portion of the meeting reconvened at 9:49 a.m.

The call operator opened the meeting back up to the public portion of the meeting. Chair O'Connor then requested the Secretary call the roll.

Roll Call

Commissioner	Present	Absent
Chairman Francis K. O'Connor	x	
Commissioner John F. Amodeo	x	
Vice Chair S. Zoe Baldwin	x	
Commissioner Robert T. Healey, Jr.	x	
Commissioner Barbara Holcomb	x	
*Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt	x	*Joined at 9:09am
Commissioner Christopher M. Milam	x	
Commissioner Joseph Ripa	x	
Commissioner Christina Fuentes		x

Executive Report

Chair O'Connor asked for the presentation of the Executive Report. Director Stephen F. Dougherty presented the May 21, 2025, Executive Report. A copy of the Executive Report is attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.

Committee Reports

Chair O'Connor asked Director Stephen F. Dougherty to present the Committee Reports. Director Stephen F. Dougherty reported all Committees met on May 7, 2025. During these meetings, briefings were provided on the resolutions being presented this morning as well as the Quarterly Budget Review, Financial Disclosure Requirements, Interstate Outdoor Billboard Contract Amendments, and an All Electronic Tolling update. Commissioners were also provided with the schedule of upcoming projects, the voucher list, the March 2025 Financial Reports the EO-8 Report and Airport statistics.

Public Response to Agenda Items

Chair O'Connor asked the public for comments on any of the agenda items. No comments were made.

Resolutions and Motions:

Chair O’Connor asked Director Stephen F. Dougherty to present the resolutions. Director Stephen F. Dougherty advised the Commissioners he would be presenting a total of twelve (12) resolutions for their consideration. Director Stephen F. Dougherty presented Resolutions 2025-28 through 2025-39. Chair O’Connor called for a motion to approve said resolutions. The motion as presented was moved by Commissioner Holcomb and seconded by Commissioner Milam, approving said resolutions. Chair O’Connor asked for questions or discussions on the motion. Chair O’Connor asked the Secretary to call the roll.

Roll Call

Commissioner	Motion	2 nd	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Recused	Absent
Chairman Francis K. O’Connor			X				
Commissioner John F. Amodeo			X				
Vice Chair S. Zoe Baldwin			X				
Commissioner Robert T. Healey, Jr.			X				
Commissioner Barbara Holcomb	X		X				
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt			X				
Vice Chairman Christopher M. Milam		X	X				
Commissioner Joseph Ripa			X				

Copies of Resolutions 2025-28 through 2025-39 are attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.

RESOLUTION 2025-28 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Pursuant to the Authority By-Laws, the Personnel Committee shall advise the Board on issues related to organization structure, equal employment opportunity, labor negotiations, employment practices and personnel actions affecting an individual’s employment status or compensation.

RESOLUTION 2025-29 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONTRACT WITH DIEHL ELECTRIC, INC. OF HAMMONTON, NEW JERSEY FOR THE ATLANTIC CITY EXPRESSWAY (ACE) 2024 FARLEY SERVICE PLAZA LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

On July 10, 2024, and July 11, 2024, the Authority publicly advertised for bids for the Atlantic City Expressway 2024 Farley Service Plaza Lighting Improvements Project. Pursuant to Resolution 2024-103, the Authority awarded a contract to Diehl Electric, Inc. of Hammonton, New Jersey, for the Atlantic City Expressway 2024 Farley Service Plaza Lighting Improvements Project, in an amount not to exceed \$598,195.50 for this project. Change Order #1 has been requested in the amount of \$70,938.00 for additional costs for installation of new conduit and junction boxes near the Farley Rest Stop eastbound exit ramp as the existing were found to be damaged. The Director of Engineering/Chief Engineer believes it to be in the best interest of the Authority and recommends approval of said Change Order #1.

RESOLUTION 2025-30 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO SOUTH STATE, INC. OF BRIDGETON, NEW JERSEY FOR ATLANTIC CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (ACY) 2025 WILDLIFE PERIMETER FENCING

On March 26th and March 27th, the Authority publicly advertised for bids for the Atlantic City International Airport (ACY) 2025 Wildlife Perimeter Fencing. Work associated with this project consists of the rehabilitation of approximately 14,000 feet of chain link fence, inclusive of demolition of damaged fence and installation of new chain link fence with barbed wire, and installation of wildlife deterrent skirt on existing fence, and clearing and grubbing as necessary at the Atlantic City International Airport (ACY). This project includes one (1) base bid as described above and two (2) add alternates as follows: Add Alt 1: Remove and replace manual sliding gates (4) with concrete gate pads for wildlife dig deterrent and Add Alt 2: Install new electronic vehicle gate compatible with existing Gate 18. Three (3) bids were

received and opened received, opened, and tabulated on April 23, 2025. South State, Inc., for the overall project, including the base bid and add alternates one and two, is \$2,373,000, which is almost 15% less than the Engineer's Estimate was deemed to have submitted the lowest responsible bid for the project. The Director of Engineering/Chief Engineer believes it to be in the best interest of the Authority and recommends entering into a contract with South State, Inc. as this represents the best value for the Authority in an amount not to exceed \$2,373,000. The award of said contract is contingent upon grant funding from the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP).

RESOLUTION 2025-31 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO ZONE STRIPING, INC. OF GLASSBORO, NEW JERSEY FOR THE RUNWAY RUBBER AND CONTAMINANT REMOVAL, SURFACE PREPARATION AND RUNWAY/TAXIWAY PAINTING AT THE ATLANTIC CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

On March 19th, and March 20th, 2025, the Authority publicly advertised for Bids for the Runway Rubber and Contaminant Removal, Surface Preparation and Runway/Taxiway Painting at the Atlantic City International Airport. The scope of work for this project is described in two separate items: Item #1 shall be furnishing all labor, equipment and materials required for the removal of rubber and/or other contaminants. Item #2 shall be preparation and painting of numbers, markings, and stripes on the surface of runways, taxiways, and aprons. Item #1 and Item #2 must be bid together as the re-painting must follow immediately after the removal and preparation. On April 10th, 2025, one (1) bid was received, opened, and tabulated. Zone Striping, Inc. of Glassboro, New Jersey was deemed to have submitted the sole responsive, responsible bid, in an amount not to exceed \$206,196.24. The Airport Director believes it to be in the best interest of the Authority and recommends entering into a contract with Zone Striping, Inc. of Glassboro, New Jersey for the Runway Rubber and Contaminant Removal, Surface Preparation and Runway/Taxiway Painting at the Atlantic City International Airport in an amount not to exceed \$206,196.24.

RESOLUTION 2025-32 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING ENTRANCE INTO A TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC FOR THE OPERATION OF SHUTTLE SERVICES FOR THE ROUTE 54/40 COMMUNITY SHUTTLE AND THE ENGLISH CREEK COMMUNITY SHUTTLE AS FEEDER SERVICES TO THE EXISTING NEW JERSEY TRANSIT BUS AND RAIL SERVICES

The Authority and the County of Atlantic (the "County") will continue to meet the needs of their residents by providing the Route 54/40 and English Creek community shuttles. These services provide "feeder" service to the existing NJ Transit bus and rail service in the region. These routes fill the gaps currently not covered by public transportation and improves accessibility to work locations and other destinations for people traveling within Atlantic County. The Authority and the County entered into a one-year term Shared Services Agreement defined as "Pilot" for the provision of these services, which commenced on January 1, 2016 and expired on December 31, 2016. The Authority and the County entered into new agreements, via Resolution 2016-124, 2018-117 and 2021-137 All parties now desire to enter into a new agreement for continued operations. The term of said agreement shall be three years, commencing on January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027, contingent upon the approval of grant.

RESOLUTION 2025-33 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING ENTRANCE INTO A TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC FOR THE OPERATION OF A PILOT SHUTTLE SERVICE

The State and NJDOT issued a state funded pilot program for transportation accessibility and mobility program ("TAMP") to address accessibility, mobility and transportation insecurity in the five South Jersey counties (Atlantic, Camden, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem). The County and Authority created a route that connects Egg Harbor Township, Pleasantville; and Atlantic City and was awarded a grant of \$400,000.00 for operational, administrative and marketing. The County will be the designated recipient of the funds, and the Authority will be the operator. The term, of this agreement will be from August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2027 pending the life of the grant. This route will fill gaps currently not covered by public transportation and serves as a feeder shuttle for several New Jersey Transit ("NJ

Transit") bus routes, English Creek Community Shuttle, Pleasantville and Atlantic Bus terminals and Atlantic City Rail Line.

RESOLUTION 2025-34 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING ENTRANCE INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LARC SCHOOL FOR THE PROVISION OF DEMAND RESPONSE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THEIR ADULT DAY PROGRAM

The Transportation Services Division is currently operating a comprehensive transportation system acquired from the Camden County Improvement Authority. The Larc School is a nonprofit special needs school located in Bellmawr, New Jersey and was created with the sole purpose of providing for the specialized needs of children and adults with disabilities. The Larc School has contacted the Authority to continue to provide demand response transportation services for their adult day program, which includes community outings and field trips. The Authority will charge \$60.00 per vehicle per hour on a portal-to-portal basis, with a minimum of three (3) hours. The term of three (3) years, from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028. The Director of Transportation Services believes it is in the best interest of the Authority to enter into an agreement with the Larc School for the provision of demand response transportation services for their adult program.

RESOLUTION 2025-35 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER FOR THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

The Authority, via Resolution 2022-63, entered into a shared services agreement with the County of Gloucester to continue operating shuttle services to meet the needs of its residents. The Authority has been operating the Pureland East West Community shuttle via resolutions 2015-20, 2018-95, 2019-91 and 2022-63. This service will continue to fill gaps currently not covered by public transportation and serve as a feeder shuttle for several New Jersey Transit ("NJ Transit") bus routes and their Avandale park and ride station. The term of this agreement will be from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028 pending the availability of grant funds. The County has agreed to reimburse the Authority up to \$400,000 per year for a term of three (3) years. Any additional costs expensed by the Authority will be submitted to the County for approval pending the program's total cost. The Authority has approval and will calculate the reimbursement based on a Fifty (50%) payment allocation from NJ Transit for NJ-JARC funds for the reimbursement of operating expenses. During the term of this agreement, the payment allocation of NJ-JARC may decrease or increase pending the availability of the County's grant expenses. In addition to the money received through the NJ-JARC grants as well as the funding supplied by the County, the Authority may charge each rider \$1.00 per trip to sustain the shuttle service pending the approval of the transportation committee. The Authority will maintain and authorize a non-exclusive license agreement and a reciprocal transfer agreement with New Jersey Transit to operate the Pureland East-West Shuttle.

RESOLUTION 2025-36 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE BILLBOARD DESIGNATED AS PERMIT 69867

In 2005, the Authority and Interstate Outdoor Advertising, L.P. ("Interstate") entered into an Outdoor Advertising Lease Agreement (the "Agreement") permitting Interstate to lease a portion of the Expressway right-of-way, south side, for the construction of an outdoor advertising structure located near Milepost 2.7, designated as permit 69867, for the placement of advertisement along the Expressway. The permit for this billboard is privately and exclusively owned by Interstate. The Authority and Interstate entered into the First Amendment, dated December 11, 2006, and the Second Amendment, dated March 5, 2007, extending the time for Interstate to complete the construction of the advertising structure. The construction of the advertising structure has been completed, and the Agreement is set to expire on or about December 31, 2027. The Parties seek to extend the term of the Agreement and modify the payment requirements for the Rent and minimum annual guarantee for advertising sales from the billboard to the following: 25%: January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2037; 27.5%: January 1, 2038 – December 31, 2042; 30%: January 1, 2043 – December 31, 2047

RESOLUTION 2025-37 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE BILLBOARD DESIGNATED AS PERMIT 67558

In 2005, the Authority and Interstate Outdoor Advertising, L.P. (“Interstate”) entered into an Outdoor Advertising Lease Agreement (the “Agreement”) permitting Interstate to lease a portion of the Expressway right-of-way, north side, for the construction of an outdoor advertising structure located approximately 130 feet west of the railroad overpass between mileposts 2.4 and 2.5 designated as permit 67558, for the placement of advertisement along the Expressway. The permit for this billboard is privately and exclusively owned by Interstate. The Authority and Interstate entered into the First Amendment, dated December 11, 2006, and the Second Amendment, dated March 5, 2007, extending the time for Interstate to complete the construction of the advertising structure. The construction of the advertising structure has been completed, and the Agreement is set to expire on or about December 31, 2027. The Parties seek to extend the term of the Agreement and modify the payment requirements for the Rent and minimum annual guarantee for advertising sales from the billboard to the following: 25%: January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2037; 27.5%: January 1, 2038 – December 31, 2042; 30%: January 1, 2043 – December 31, 2047

RESOLUTION 2025-38 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE BILLBOARD DESIGNATED AS PERMIT 67559

In 2005, the Authority and Interstate Outdoor Advertising, L.P. (“Interstate”) entered into an Outdoor Advertising Lease Agreement (the “Agreement”) permitting Interstate to lease a portion of the Expressway right-of-way, south side, for the construction of an outdoor advertising structure located approximately 200 feet west of the railroad overpass between mileposts 2.4 and 2.5 designated as permit 67559, for the placement of advertisement along the Expressway. The permit for this billboard is privately and exclusively owned by Interstate. The Authority and Interstate entered into the First Amendment, dated December 11, 2006, and the Second Amendment, dated March 5, 2007, extending the time for Interstate to complete the construction of the advertising structure. The construction of the advertising structure has been completed, and the Agreement is set to expire on or about December 31, 2027. The Parties seek to extend the term of the Agreement and modify the payment requirements for the Rent and minimum annual guarantee for advertising sales from the billboard to the following: 25%: January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2037; 27.5%: January 1, 2038 – December 31, 2042; 30%: January 1, 2043 – December 31, 2047

RESOLUTION 2025-39 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE TRESTLE ADVERTISING LEASE AGREEMENT

J.P. Rail, Inc. t/a Southern Railroad Company of New Jersey is the owner and operator of a railroad trestle bridge overpassing the Atlantic City Expressway (the “Expressway”) at Milepost 2.5 west of Atlantic City (the “Trestle”). In December 2009, the Authority and Interstate Outdoor Advertising, L.P. (“Interstate”) entered into a Trestle Advertising Lease Agreement (the “Agreement”) where Interstate provides remediation of, repainting, and installation of advertising structures on the Trestle. The Agreement is set to expire on or about December 31, 2034. The Parties seek to extend the term of the Agreement to extend the term until December 31, 2054. The Chief Administrative Officer believes it to be in the best interest of the Authority and recommends entering into the First Amendment to the Trestle Advertising Lease Agreement for the reasons outlined herein and further outlined in “Exhibit A.”

Petitions or Communications, Unfinished Business and New Business

Chair O’Connor asked if there were any petitions or communications, unfinished or new business. Director Stephen F. Dougherty responded, all petitions and communications were mailed prior to the meeting. There was no new business to discuss.

General Comment

Chair O’Connor asked the public for any general comments. Commissioner Milam applauded the E-ZPass CSC located in the Farley Service Plaza for their great service. Commissioner Milam also

commended the staff and volunteers involved in the coordination of the Atlantic City International Airport's May 17th Triennial Exercise.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair O'Connor announced the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Chair O'Connor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon the motion was made by Commissioner Amodio and seconded by Vice Chair Baldwin to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 9:59 a.m.

Submitted by: *Shawn Costello*

Shawn Costello, Board Secretary

Note: An Executive Session was held during this meeting.