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One Port Center
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PRESENT

Pennsylvania

Eugene DePasquale, Chairman
John Lisko, Esquire (for Robert McCord) (via telephone)
William Sasso, Esquire
Michelle Kichline, Esquire
Andrew Reilly, Esquire
Joann Bell (via telephone)
Walter D'Alessio (via telephone)

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James White, Chief Financial Officer
Toni Brown, Chief Administrative Officer
Michael Venuto, Chief Engineer
John Rink, General Manager, PATCO
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6 Community Relations
Steve Reiners, Fleet Manager, Walt Whitman Bridge
7 Frank DeLuca, Fare Collection Revenue Analyst, PATCO
Fran Egolf, Station Supervisor, PATCO
8 Tyric Davis, Train Operator, PATCO
Sheila Milner, Administrative Coordinator
9 Elizabeth McGee, Administrative Coordinator
Lisa D'Arcangelo, Legal Secretary
10 Nancy Farthing, Executive Assistant to the CEO
Dawn Whiton, Administrative Coordinator to the CEO and
11 Deputy CEO
Alex Dubinchik, Lead Programmer/Analyst, Information
12 Services
Jacob Cruz, Jr., (former) Mailroom Supervisor

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16 Victoria Madden, Esquire, Chief Counsel, Pennsylvania
Auditor General
17 Elizabeth Wagenseller, Deputy Auditor General for
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18 Christopher Gibson, Esquire, Archer & Greiner
(New Jersey Counsel)
19 Stephanie Kosta, Esquire, Duane Morris
(Pennsylvania Counsel)
20 Pat Kearney, Esquire, Duane Morris
Tony DeSantis, Citizens Advisory Committee
21 David Vitarelli, Owner, Vitarelli's Restaurant Group
Craig Hrinkevich, Managing Director, Wells Fargo
22 Securities

1 Alan Lewine, Senior Counsel, Comcast
Matthew Starr, Comcast
2 Cole Reinwand, Comcast
Joe Quigley
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Anne Carroll, Friends of Cooper River Park West
4 Jake Thompson, Friends of Cooper River Park West
Kevin Barfield, Friends of Cooper River Park West
5 Megan Brown, Camden Children's Garden

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VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Good morning, everyone.
First, Happy New Year to everybody. We're going to
begin.

Please stand for a moment of silence and the
Pledge of Allegiance.

(Pledge)

VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: I wanted everyone to know
that yesterday afternoon we received a letter from the
Chairman, the former Lieutenant Governor Jim Cawley, who
has resigned his position as the Chairperson of this
Board. We thank Lieutenant Governor Cawley for his time
and dedication. I think he did an outstanding job and we
greatly appreciate what he did for this Authority and our
customers.

With that, now having a vacancy for the
position of the Chair, I will accept nominations for
Chairman.

MS. MAYOCK: If I may interject for a moment?
How about if we do roll call first?

VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Okay, we can do that.

1 MS. MAYOCK: Thank you.

2 Vice Chairman Nash?

3 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Here.

4 MS. MAYOCK: General DePasquale?

5 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Here.

6 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner Bell? I believe
7 she's on the phone. Commissioner Bell?

8 Commissioner D'Alessio?

9 COMMISSIONER BELL: Commissioner Bell, I made
10 it.

11 Can you hear me?

12 MS. MAYOCK: We can hear you.

13 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Loud and clear.

14 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner D'Alessio?

15 COMMISSIONER D'ALESSIO: I'm here on the phone.

16 MS. MAYOCK: Great, thank you.

17 Commissioner Kichline?

18 COMMISSIONER KICHLINE: Here.

19 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner Lisko?

20 COMMISSIONER LISKO: On the phone.

21 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner Reilly?

22 COMMISSIONER REILLY: Here.

1 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner Sasso?

2 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Here.

3 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner DiAntonio?

4 COMMISSIONER DIANTONIO: Here.

5 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner Fentress?

6 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Here.

7 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner Frattali?

8 COMMISSIONER FRATTALI: Here.

9 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner Jones?

10 COMMISSIONER JONES: Here.

11 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner Mason?

12 COMMISSIONER MASON: Here.

13 MS. MAYOCK: Commissioner Sweeney?

14 COMMISSIONER SWEENEY: Here.

15 MS. MAYOCK: We have a quorum.

16 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Thank you.

17 And now I will accept nominations for the
18 position of Chair.

19 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Mr. Chairman, I consider
20 it an honor and a privilege to nominate my
21 Co-Commissioner, Eugene DePasquale, the Auditor General
22 of Pennsylvania.

1 I think we all know of the Commissioner's
2 dedication and his commitment to public service. It is
3 actually a tradition in his family. We have a couple of
4 generations of DePasquales who have been involved in
5 public service, including his grandfather, who served on
6 the Pittsburgh City Council. His nickname was Jeep
7 DePasquale and we'll have to find out why later on. But
8 he did a world of good for the City of Pittsburgh and
9 Eugene has followed in his footsteps both as a legislator
10 but also as Auditor General since January of 2013.

11 I'd just like to highlight a couple of his
12 achievements for the benefit of the public and also my
13 fellow Commissioners.

14 When he got into office, there was a great deal
15 of hooplah about the Marcellus Shale and what that meant
16 to Pennsylvania. And the Auditor General was the person
17 who said, well, let's wait a minute, let's examine what
18 this does to the environment, our water supply. Let's
19 stop and think and study this, and make sure that we
20 develop our natural resources, but do it in an
21 intelligent way. And he did a world of good in the
22 environmental area.

1 Also, the auditing of the Department of Human
2 Services to make sure that the elderly in our state
3 receive the proper healthcare. And he didn't just stop
4 there. He recognized that the Auditor General's Office
5 had to be an example of what good and efficient
6 government was all about, so he spent some time auditing
7 that office and developing efficiencies in the millions
8 of dollars per year. And all of his achievements have
9 been done in a very proactive way.

10 For example, we just had a recent conversation
11 where he called me up because of my assistance to
12 Montgomery County and helping them in investing their
13 pension funds and recognizing that pensions are a problem
14 on a statewide basis, and also recognizing that local
15 government entities didn't really have the financial
16 acumen to really determine what was best for the
17 investment of their funds. He has talked about a program
18 to help them, to educate them in a very proactive way.

19 We have seen him acting on this Board. And the
20 one thing that strikes me is when you see our Auditor
21 General in action, and he's always in action, you can't
22 tell if he's a Pennsylvanian or New Jerseyite, a Democrat

1 or Republican. He's all about the DRPA. He's all about
2 helping the citizens of Pennsylvania. And now he'll be
3 helping citizens of New Jersey, if we approve his
4 candidacy for the Chairmanship.

5 So, with that brief introduction of our Auditor
6 General, I'd like to see if we can get a second.

7 COMMISSIONER FRATTALI: I would like to second
8 that nomination.

9 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Thank you, Commissioners.
10 There has been a nomination and a second.

11 All those in favor?

12 ALL: Aye.

13 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Opposed?

14 (No response.)

15 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Congratulations, Eugene.

16 And with that, I will pass the meeting to the
17 new Chair.

18 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Thank you, Mr. Vice
19 Chairman. Thank you, Jeff. And thank you both,
20 Mr. Sasso and everyone for your support, today.

21 I see on the agenda now that there is a brief
22 statement, so I'll make this as brief as possible.

1 First of all, thank you for the vote, today. I
2 look to help lead this Authority with the tremendous
3 staff and the rest of the tremendous Commissioners that
4 we have on board and try to keep moving this forward. I
5 know that there has been a lot of progress that was made
6 well before I became a member of this Authority and
7 hopefully we can keep moving that forward.

8 In the areas of financial, I think, again,
9 we're in much better shape than we were in Year 2008/
10 2009, through the tremendous work of not just the
11 Commissioners, but the staff and also in various reform
12 measures that we've taken. We're in a better place. But
13 no organization is perfect. You can always try to make
14 it better. And my role here is to try to lead us, to
15 keep moving us forward, and to keep trying to improve
16 those.

17 But the end of the day, and I know I speak for
18 everyone here, our number one job is to make sure that
19 the customers of this Authority, the people that pay the
20 salaries of the people that work here, and the people
21 that are going to work, or going to recreate, or going to
22 lunch, or just taking their kids on a day where they want

1 to take them on a vacation day to go do something in
2 Philly or Jersey, that we're doing everything we can to
3 do it in a fiscally responsible way to make sure they
4 have a safe route that is as cost effective as possible
5 so that they can go on and enjoy their day, or get to
6 work, and keep the economy of South Jersey and
7 Southeastern Pennsylvania moving.

8 So with that, again, thank you for the honor
9 and the opportunity. I look forward to working with
10 everyone moving forward.

11 With that, let's move to the next item on the
12 agenda, which is the report of the Chief Executive
13 Officer. Does the CEO, Mr. Hanson, have anything to
14 report?

15 MR. HANSON: I do. My report stands as
16 submitted, Chairman DePasquale. However, I'd like to
17 highlight a few items.

18 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Sure, please do.

19 MR. HANSON: We have a retiree with us, today.
20 We are pleased to report that Jacob Cruz, Jr., who has
21 spent 33 years with DRPA and is retiring from his
22 position of Mailroom Supervisor, is with us, today.

1 Jake, we appreciate your many accomplishments
2 over your career and extend our best wishes to you as you
3 begin this new chapter of your life. Would you please
4 stand and come forward for a photo with the Chairman and
5 by the flag.

6 (Pause.)

7 MR. HANSON: Next, I'd like to highlight a few
8 examples of exemplary stewardship demonstrated by our
9 DRPA and PATCO employees. I'm extremely proud of their
10 efforts. If you would please stand when your name is
11 called?

12 PATCO Fare Collection Revenue Analyst Frank
13 DeLuca received a note of gratitude from an appreciative
14 customer for finding her husband's Freedom Card, which
15 had more than \$200 on it. Frank not only found the card
16 and tracked down the customer, but then he helped to
17 register the card for the customer so that the customer
18 will not lose its value if it ever gets lost again.
19 Thank you, Frank.

20 The morning after a customer assumed that he
21 had lost his cell phone on a train forever, he was
22 instructed by a conductor to contact PATCO Station

1 Supervisor Fran Egolf. Fran returned his call the next
2 morning, telling him his phone had been located and he
3 could pick it up at his convenience. The customer's
4 sentiments were subsequently emailed, quote, "I didn't
5 anticipate the Wednesday conductor to follow through with
6 the return of the phone; the a.m. conductor on an
7 overcrowded train, to be mentally present and concerned
8 about my issue. Lastly, speaking with Fran would be akin
9 to conversing with a lifelong friend. Thank you, Fran."

10 Impressive, some people still do that. PATCO
11 Train Operator Tyric Davis was commended by a passenger
12 for, quote, "reaffirming her faith in good and honest
13 folks," end quote, after he retrieved and returned a bag
14 of holiday gifts that she had left behind on the train.
15 Thank you, Tyric.

16 Would the three of you come forward for a photo
17 with the Chairman?

18 (Pause.)

19 MR. HANSON: I would also like to report that
20 many of our employees participated in worthwhile
21 charitable projects in the past holiday season that made
22 a difference in the lives of others. Included in those

1 efforts was a program initiated by the Human Resource
2 Services Department, the Authority-wide Adopt-a-Family
3 Program, that provided employee-donated gifts, food, and
4 necessities to 14 families in the region via several
5 local organizations. Thank you, Toni, and your
6 department for initiating that.

7 In addition, our Public Safety Department
8 adopted the Holy Name School in Camden as part of an FOP-
9 funded program. Staff and their families served lunch
10 and presented each child with a gift. The students wrote
11 cards thanking our police. And, today, you may have
12 noticed the artwork and cards displayed in the lobby when
13 you entered the building, but please take a moment to
14 look at what we received from the children of the school.
15 And, Chief, if you could extend our appreciation and
16 congratulations to the FOP on that matter.

17 CHIEF STIEF: I'll do that, sir. Thanks.

18 MR. HANSON: I am also pleased to announce the
19 winner of the 2015 safety slogan context, Alex Dubinchik,
20 Lead Programmer/Analyst of IS Systems Development.
21 Alex's winning safety slogan entry is, "Avoid the worst,
22 put safety first." It serves as a reminder of our shared

1 commitment to continue making employee safety and the
2 safety of the public a top priority at DRPA and PATCO.
3 His winning slogan will be inducted into the Authority's
4 safety slogan hall of fame.

5 Alex, we extend our congratulations.

6 In Finance, I'd just like to mention Standard &
7 Poor's S&P ratings report recently affirmed the existing
8 ratings on our revenue bonds at A, stable outlook, and
9 the Port district bonds at BBB, stable outlook. CFO Jim
10 White will speak more about this in his report.

11 In addition, the Government Finance Officers'
12 Association, the GFOA, has once again awarded the DRPA
13 the certificate of achievement for excellence in
14 financial reporting for the 22nd consecutive year. This
15 certificate of achievement is the highest recognition in
16 governmental accounting and financial reporting. And its
17 attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a
18 government agency and its management.

19 Special thanks go to members of the Finance
20 Department, including CFO Jim White, Acting Manager of
21 Accounting Darcie DeBeaumont, and Financial Analyst
22 Jennifer DePoder; Printing Services, including Supervisor

1 Fritz Sims and Reproduction Technician Mike
2 DiGiamberardino; and Corporate Communications and
3 Community Relations, Acting Manager Mike Williams and
4 Manager Fran O'Brien. Please come forward for a photo
5 and congratulations.

6 (Pause.)

7 MR. HANSON: Next, I'd like to ask Chief
8 Engineer Mike Venuto to provide a status update on the
9 PATCO Car Rehabilitation Project.

10 MR. VENUTO: Yes, sir. Good morning,
11 Commissioners.

12 We completed the 500-mile simulated revenue
13 service over several nights in December. Based on the
14 testing, we're making hardware and software improvements.
15 Hardware and software improvements are being made now to
16 improve the operations of the cars.

17 Our focus has now shifted to preparing for a
18 conditional acceptance of these cars. All the team
19 members are working to finalize all the submittals and
20 approvals of the overhaul car documentation, our
21 drawings, our test procedures, our modifications, and our
22 program correspondence. We are having daily discussions

1 among all the team members, at this point. We'll have
2 those discussions every day until we achieve that
3 conditional acceptance.

4 MR. HANSON: Thanks, Mike.

5 Can you continue with an update on the Franklin
6 Square Station progress?

7 MR. VENUTO: Yes, sir. So as I reported last
8 month at DRPA, that was we were going to receive the
9 draft reports. DRPA received our draft summary report
10 for the Franklin Square reopening cost and ridership
11 study. We circulated that through the engineering
12 department, through PATCO Operations, just to provide
13 comments on that report. Those comments were provided
14 back to our consultant.

15 The draft summary included a condition
16 assessment of the station structure, capital cost
17 estimate for reopening of the station, and the ridership
18 forecast will be continued to be worked on and will be
19 added to that draft report at the end of this month.

20 Staff are working with STV, with our
21 consultant, regarding the cost estimates. We are
22 updating their initial cost estimates based on some

1 feedback that the DRPA and PATCO has included for the
2 draft summary report. We expect the report to be back to
3 the DRPA by the end of January for our review into
4 February.

5 MR. HANSON: Thanks, Mike.

6 Mr. Rink, do you have anything to add on either
7 one of those projects?

8 MR. RINK: Yes. On the Franklin Square, as
9 Mike mentioned, our staff went diligently through the
10 report to give our comments and suggestions to open that
11 station. In regards to the cars, all of our operators
12 have gone through all their training and we continue to
13 give them familiarity with what's going on with the train
14 cars. All our procedures have been rewritten. We're
15 going through daily, as Mr. Venuto said, with the
16 conditional tests to make sure the cars are in operating
17 condition and ready for revenue service along with our
18 operations.

19 MR. HANSON: Thanks, John.

20 Chairman DePasquale, that concludes my report.

21 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Thank you, Mr. Hanson.

22 With that, are there any questions for Mr.

1 Hanson regarding his report? If not, I'll accept a
2 motion to accept his report as-is.

3 COMMISSIONER FRATTALI: So moved.

4 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Is there a second?

5 COMMISSIONER SWEENEY: Second.

6 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor, aye.

7 ALL: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Any opposed?

9 The ayes have it. Thank you very much.

10 Thank you, John.

11 Report of the Chief Financial Officer. Vice
12 Chairman Nash, does the CFO Jim White have anything to
13 report to the Board?

14 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Where is Jim?

15 Jim, do you have anything?

16 MR. WHITE: Good morning, Mr. Chair, Mr. Vice
17 Chair, and Commissioners.

18 Before we get into some of the numbers on the
19 DRPA Dashboard, I would like to just take a moment to
20 elaborate on CEO John Hanson's comments related to the
21 S&P report.

22 This is something I think this Board and the

1 staff of the DRPA should congratulate themselves on the
2 hard work that we have done, particularly in the last
3 three to five years to move the ratings with the S&P.
4 Again, I think it's something we should really
5 congratulate ourselves on because of what has occurred.

6 In December 2013, before we did the issuance of
7 the 2013 revenue bonds to help finance a portion of our
8 capital program, S&P raised our ratings, so we have had
9 those ratings for a year. But they have affirmed those
10 ratings for these reasons. Number one, they mentioned
11 the strength of the strong liquidity position of the
12 DRPA.

13 Number two, they mentioned particularly the
14 Board action in early 2014 to create a pay-go capital
15 fund wherein we show our ability to fund the capital
16 program, not just from the proceeds of the project fund,
17 but from general fund monies that we have set aside. And
18 this is something the Board took action on in early 2014.
19 In fact, S&P's quote is they regard that action very
20 favorably.

21 Number three, as I just mentioned, our ability
22 to fund the capital plan is roughly \$750 million, give or

1 take. The DRPA has demonstrated its ability to fund it
2 both from bond proceeds and also from this newly created
3 pay-go capital fund. And, finally, a comment about the
4 swap portfolio does not present a risk.

5 So, over the last three to five years, the DRPA
6 has successfully managed its finances, repositioned
7 ourselves in terms of debt, our LOC exposure, and again
8 S&P has affirmed our ratings. And I think, once again,
9 we should congratulate ourselves for the fine work that
10 this Board has done, along with our staff, in order to
11 successfully get the affirmation from S&P on our bond
12 ratings.

13 With that introduction, we'll turn to the DRPA
14 Dashboard. The good news is as we have moved toward the
15 end of the year; we recovered from some of the bad
16 numbers that we had, particularly in the early part of
17 the year due to inclement weather. And knock on wood,
18 hopefully that doesn't happen in 2015.

19 DRPA traffic, particularly if you look at the
20 first page of the Dashboard, has had a very positive
21 trend over the last nine months, particularly actual
22 versus budgeted. So that's been a real positive thing.

1 Our traffic is still under where it was last year. But
2 the good thing is (that) on the revenue side we are
3 significantly above budget and we are above where we
4 expected to be. So we have shown a strong recovery in
5 terms of our revenues throughout 2014.

6 If you look at the operating budget, our
7 operating budget both for the DRPA at this point is still
8 around \$4.3 million, under the budgeted amount. That is
9 primarily due to some contractual services, but even more
10 so because of payroll. We still have the issue of 42
11 vacancies. But the DRPA has shown success over the last
12 eight or nine years of being under budget, so again
13 that's part of the success story, I believe, that S&P has
14 looked at in terms of when they looked at our finances.

15 On the capital budget side, our expenditures
16 are more than they were in the last year, probably around
17 52 percent higher. Part of that is the PATCO track rehab
18 program. We have spent over \$100 million, closer to
19 around \$108 million, on the capital program.

20 If you turn to the PATCO ridership, our
21 ridership for PATCO still is showing some positive
22 trends, particularly the last three months; September,

1 October, and November. You'll see that the actual is
2 pretty close to budgeted. But throughout the year, it is
3 under last year's numbers. We did have some impact due
4 to the snows and due to the track rehab project. PATCO
5 revenues are around \$177,000 year-to-date below budget,
6 again reflecting the factors that I just mentioned.

7 If you look at the PATCO operating budget, the
8 PATCO operating budget is still around 1.2 or 1.3 percent
9 below budget, or around \$545,000 under budget, so again,
10 success there. When we began the year, we were over
11 budget, so there is a good job done by the PATCO
12 Operations to bring those numbers under budget. We
13 expect that to be the case for the end of the year.

14 PATCO on-time performance dropped a little bit
15 from around 95 to around 97 percent.

16 John, anything you want to say related to that?

17 MR. RINK: Yes, Jim. Commissioners, during the
18 month of November, if you recall, that's leaf season,
19 where leaves fall on the trackway and we have to run
20 special operating procedures, so we slow the trains in
21 and out of the stations so we don't have wheel slip. So
22 during that time, (the) majority of late trains are

1 resulting from the slower speeds in and out of the
2 station.

3 If you look into my GM report for the month of
4 December, our on-time performance is up to 97.68 percent.

5 MR. WHITE: Right. And that seems to be where
6 the range has been, particularly through August and
7 October, so November was somewhat of an aberration.

8 Lost time claims, not much to say there. And
9 in terms of open positions, total open positions is
10 around 71, including DRPA and PATCO as a total.

11 Two other items I'd like to make mention of.
12 One of the things that the Board did around three months
13 ago is it reallocated unspent economic development funds.
14 Through December, we have used \$2.3 million of that \$3.6
15 million that is going to be reallocated to help fund the
16 BFB PATCO track rehab project. We expect those funds to
17 be completely diminished either in January and February,
18 subject to the total of the invoice that we get from that
19 contractor. We still do have the \$500,000 that is set
20 aside for legal and other expenses and we will be drawing
21 down on that at some point.

22 The second thing I wanted to mention was in

1 terms of the swap novation project, again passed by the
2 Finance Committee and the Board; we have received three
3 respondents to the RFQ. We have contacted the firms to
4 clarify responses and terms. And, at this point, all
5 three will proceed with some conversations with UBS, our
6 counterparty; and our expectation is some time in the
7 next one to two months that we will hopefully replace UBS
8 as our counterparty on one or both swaps and that will
9 put the DRPA in a much more stable position related to
10 its swap portfolio.

11 So that concludes my remarks. Thank you.

12 MR. HANSON: I'd like to comment, Chairman
13 DePasquale.

14 When Jim mentioned the economic development
15 money that's now being spent on capital, that was
16 something that you advocated very strongly for and you
17 can see the results of it in what's happening now.

18 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Thank you.

19 Any questions for Mr. White? If not, we'll
20 move onto the next item on the agenda which is approval
21 of the December 10, 2014, DRPA Board Meeting minutes.

22 They were previously provided to all the

1 Commissioners. Are there any corrections that anyone
2 needs to note for the record? If there are no
3 corrections, I'll ask for a motion to approve the
4 minutes.

5 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Move the motion.

6 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Is there a second?

7 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Second.

8 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second.

9 All in favor say aye.

10 ALL: Aye.

11 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Any opposed?

12 Thank you.

13 Next item is monthly list of payments and
14 monthly list of purchase orders and contracts covering
15 the month of December 2014.

16 I'll accept a motion to receive and file the
17 monthly list of payments and monthly list of purchase
18 orders and contracts covering the month of December 2014.

19 COMMISSIONER SASSO: So moved.

20 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Moved.

21 Is there a second?

22 COMMISSIONER FRATTALI: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second, thank you.

2 Moved and seconded.

3 All in favor, aye.

4 ALL: Aye.

5 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

6 Ayes have it.

7 Next up is the DRPA balance sheet as of
8 September 30, 2014.

9 I'll accept a motion to receive and file the
10 DRPA balance sheet as of September 30, 2014.

11 COMMISSIONER SASSO: So moved.

12 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Is there a second?

13 COMMISSIONER MASON: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor?

15 ALL: Aye.

16 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

17 Ayes have it.

18 Approval of Operations and Maintenance
19 Committee meeting minutes from January 7, 2015.

20 The Committee minutes should have been provided
21 to all the Commissioners.

22 May I have a motion to accept the meeting

1 minutes as-is?

2 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Move the motion.

3 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Is there a second?

4 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Second.

5 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second.

6 All in favor?

7 ALL: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

9 Ayes have it.

10 I've got to get a little better with some of
11 that. It can be a little bit of a tongue twister there.
12 I wasn't ready for that one there. Thank you very much.
13 Thank you for your patience of me struggling through that
14 one.

15 Next item on the agenda is adoption of
16 resolutions approved by the Operations and Maintenance
17 Committee of January 7, 2015.

18 I'll read the numbers before and then if there
19 are any questions, we can go there. It's DRPA-15-001,
20 DRPA-15-002, DRPA-15-003, -004, -005.

21 Does everyone have that same list in front of
22 them? I know I have to move through each of them

1 individually for the vote, but I wanted to make sure that
2 we can do them all as one?

3 MS. MAYOCK: You can take them all as one.
4 However, we do have some individuals present, should
5 anybody have any specific questions regarding any of
6 these resolutions.

7 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: I'd like just to do it
8 all as one. But if there are any questions about
9 individual resolutions, please, use that time now, and
10 then say which resolution it is you have the question on.

11 If there are no questions to be asked, I would
12 like a motion to accept all of the resolutions as-is.

13 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Move the motion.

14 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Second.

15 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second.

16 All in favor?

17 ALL: Aye.

18 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

19 Ayes have it. Thank you very much.

20 Next item, actually, there are four more
21 resolutions to be considered. There is one I'm going to
22 pull out for us to discuss separate because there is a

1 change; so there are three others I'd like us to consider
2 together, that would be DRPA-15-007, -008, -009. -006 is
3 the one I am pulling out for the separate consideration
4 because of the change.

5 With that, I'd like a motion to accept those
6 three resolutions as-is, together.

7 COMMISSIONER FRATTALI: Move the motion.

8 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second?

9 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Second.

10 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor?

11 ALL: Aye.

12 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

13 Ayes have it.

14 Next up, discussion for DRPA-15-006. That is
15 dealing with the seven 2015 Ford patrol vehicles, because
16 there has been a change.

17 And, Mr. Hanson, do you want to update us on
18 this?

19 MR. HANSON: Mr. Pulte, do you want to talk
20 about it or do you want me to.

21 MR. PULTE: Sure.

22 MR. HANSON: You want to do it?

1 MR. PULTE: I'll do it, yeah. Staff is asking
2 the Board's authorization to amend the 2015 capital
3 budget to include two additional 2015 Ford Interceptor
4 police vehicles and negotiate a purchase contract with
5 Winner Ford of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, for the total
6 amount of \$55,940.

7 This is, unfortunately, to replace two vehicles
8 that were involved in motor vehicle accidents and could
9 not be repaired. They were not scheduled to be replaced
10 in 2015. So we are asking to amend the capital budget to
11 purchase two additional vehicles.

12 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Those two, was that due
13 to the ice?

14 MR. PULTE: Yes, one was and another was just
15 in an accident.

16 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Okay.

17 MS. MAYOCK: If I might just interject? 15-006
18 was advertised, so that can be voted on. That's for
19 seven patrol cars.

20 MR. PULTE: Yes.

21 MS. MAYOCK: There is an additional New
22 Business matter that we'll get to later in the agenda

1 under New Business that adds two more patrol vehicles,
2 which hadn't been advertised, so we will need to do a
3 super majority vote on that.

4 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: But 006 can be?

5 MS. MAYOCK: 006 can be voted on right now and
6 then we'll get to 017 in New Business.

7 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Any questions regarding
8 006?

9 If there are no questions, I'll accept a motion
10 to move 006.

11 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Move the motion.

12 COMMISSIONER FRATTALI: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second.

14 All in favor?

15 ALL: Aye.

16 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

17 Ayes have it. Thank you very much.

18 The next item on the agenda is the approval of
19 the Finance Committee meeting minutes of January 7, 2015.

20 All the Commissioners should have previously
21 received those meeting minutes. Are there any questions
22 regarding those? If not, I will ask for a motion to

1 accept the Finance Committee meeting minutes of January
2 7, 2015.

3 COMMISSIONER SASSO: So moved.

4 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second?

5 COMMISSIONER KICHLINE Second.

6 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor?

7 ALL: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

9 Ayes have it. Thank you.

10 The next item is adoption of resolutions
11 approved by the Finance Committee. That would be
12 DRPA-15-010, -011, and -012, Enterprise Resource Planning
13 Consulting Services, Toll System Hardware and Software
14 Maintenance, and the Sale of the RiverLink Ferry.

15 Are there any questions, because I do have a
16 brief statement on behalf of the Governor of Pennsylvania
17 regarding the RiverLink Ferry? But as on the other
18 items, are there any questions that anyone wants to raise
19 on those?

20 If not, I do want to say regarding the
21 RiverLink Ferry, Governor Wolf is not asking that this be
22 pulled from the agenda, but he did want to make clear

1 that he wished that this had not been happening the day
2 after his swearing in, to give his administration more
3 time to review the matter. But he wants to make it clear
4 moving forward that his Administration will want to be
5 involved in any sale of any public assets moving forward
6 to make sure that the taxpayers and the ratepayers are
7 getting the best deal possible.

8 So he wanted to make clear that moving forward,
9 his administration will want to be involved in that, but
10 he understands the timing of this, but had wished it did
11 not happen the day after his swearing in. Again, he
12 wanted to make clear he is not asking for it to be pulled
13 from the agenda, but wanted to make sure that that was
14 stated for the record.

15 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: If I can just not respond,
16 but talk about the ferry sale for a second? I also
17 wished that it did not occur the day after the new
18 governor was sworn in.

19 Here is the situation that we are in, and many
20 of the Commissioners who have been participating in the
21 Finance Committee understand that we have been grappling
22 with the ferry issue for over two years. We came to a

1 point where we had to decide whether we are going to, as
2 an Authority, continue to operate a ferry which is
3 collateral to our primary core business and, at the same
4 time, raise our ferry fares for customers, or to sell the
5 ferry to a quasi-governmental entity, which is going to
6 be operated by the Philadelphia Waterfront Corporation,
7 along with the Cooper's Ferry Development Association,
8 which has agreed to run the ferry, to take on all DRPA
9 liabilities, to take on all costs, and to alleviate the
10 DRPA of any future costs of operation or maintenance of a
11 ferry that is now 11 years old.

12 I wish that the timing had been better. But if
13 we do not do it at this meeting, and I think Governor
14 Wolf understands, as does the Chair, that we are going to
15 be in a position where the DRPA would have to run the
16 ferry for another year. And so it's now or never.
17 That's why the timing, unfortunately, came about at this
18 particular time.

19 We are getting what I believe to be, and the
20 Finance Committee believes to be, a very good value for
21 the sale of the ferry that really has no other market
22 value outside of this region. And for the DRPA to

1 receive several hundred thousand dollars, which will go
2 into the General Revenue Fund over 10 years, is a
3 positive for the Delaware River Port Authority, but also
4 for the customers which will have this very operation and
5 what I'm told to be operation in excess of what we are
6 currently providing the customers of the Delaware Valley.
7 So that's why we are supportive of the resolution today.

8 MR. HANSON: And, Vice Chairman, just to
9 clarify, although this resolution comes out as a sale of
10 an asset, it's really a transfer of a non-performing line
11 of business from us to this joint venture. They are in a
12 better position to be able to handle it. They have
13 additional vessels, water taxis that they are going to
14 put into play for, as you point out, for the users of the
15 ferry and the community. Nothing changes except the
16 service probably gets better. So it's really a transfer
17 of a line of business; but, to accomplish that, we have
18 to sell them the ferry to get completely out.

19 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Thank you, John.

20 One final point, I'm confident that this ferry
21 service is going to be very successful given the parties
22 involved. However, if for some reason it is not, the

1 DRPA has an option to take back the ferry and we will
2 decide what to do at that juncture. But we do not lose
3 an asset if the ferry is not successful.

4 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Any other questions on
5 this or any of the other resolutions that we just
6 discussed?

7 With that, I will accept a motion to move the
8 three resolutions; -010, -011, -012. Do I have a motion?

9 COMMISSIONER FRATTALI: So moved.

10 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Is there a second?

11 COMMISSIONER DiANTONIO: Second.

12 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor?

13 ALL: Aye.

14 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Any opposed?

15 Ayes have it. Please note it was unanimous.

16 Thank you very much.

17 The next item is the approval of the Audit
18 Committee meeting minutes of December 3, 2014. And we
19 will need to discuss amending the Charter, or I think a
20 resolution regarding the Audit Committee moving forward
21 at least because there's only so many Chairmanships I
22 want in this world. Hopefully, that's one perk that I

1 can get out of the position is not having to chair the
2 Audit Committee.

3 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Thought we'd slip that
4 through.

5 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: No, no, no. It's tough
6 to get stuck as a bunch of auditors; but, yes, hopefully,
7 every Commissioner does have the meeting minutes in front
8 of them. We can have a separate discussion about that
9 moving forward for the next meeting.

10 With that, I'd ask for a motion to accept the
11 meeting minutes as-is.

12 COMMISSIONER KICHLINE: So moved.

13 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Moved.

14 Second?

15 COMMISSIONER DiANTONIO: Second.

16 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor, aye.

17 ALL: Aye.

18 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: I do have to add, I
19 understand that the Chairman is no longer going to be the
20 Chair, will move away from that role.

21 You have done an outstanding job as the Chair
22 of that Audit Committee. That is one of the toughest

1 committees that you will find, grappling with some very
2 difficult decisions and resolutions. And you have led
3 that way better than any person can possibly lead that
4 committee, so thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Thank you.

6 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: I don't know who is going
7 to draw the short straw, I mean take over that duty, but
8 it's going to be tough shoes to replace.

9 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: For those of you that
10 aren't blocking my calls, if you start seeing the calls
11 from me in the next month, it's time to pick up and say
12 you're at some vacation.

13 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: You do need New Jersey
14 support to get out, so.

15 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: That's exactly right.
16 But, thank you, yes. And thank you for the vote on the
17 approval of the minutes.

18 Unfinished Business, are there any items for
19 Unfinished Business of the DRPA Board? I see a lot of
20 heads shaking no.

21 With that, move to the next item, which is new
22 business.

1 Do we need to do each of these separately
2 because it's under new business?

3 MS. MAYOCK: No, you can take them all
4 together.

5 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Okay. This is adoption
6 of various resolutions. One is the adoption of the new
7 stewardship mission and vision statements. Next is
8 consideration of pending DRPA contracts between \$25,000
9 and \$100,000. Next is the food service contract for One
10 Port Center. And extension of the stated expiration date
11 of the Barclays Bank PLC letter of credit for 2010B
12 revenue bonds. And then the new vehicles.

13 I'd actually prefer, why don't we do each of
14 these one at a time. I think that will be better for
15 these, in case there are any questions.

16 So we move to DRPA-15-013, adoption of the new
17 stewardship mission and vision statement. Any questions
18 can be directed to Mr. Hanson. Are there any questions
19 regarding this?

20 There are no questions. I'll accept a motion
21 to accept -013 as-is.

22 COMMISSIONER KICHLINE: So moved.

1 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Is there a second?

2 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Second.

3 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor?

4 ALL: Aye.

5 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

6 Ayes have it.

7 Next item is 014, consideration of the pending

8 DRPA contracts. Questions can be directed to Mrs.

9 Squillace.

10 MR. WHITE: Sue is not here, but I can speak

11 to it.

12 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Then, Mr. White, if there

13 are any questions, Mr. White.

14 Seeing no questions, a motion to accept as-is.

15 COMMISSIONER SASSO: So moved.

16 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second?

17 COMMISSIONER SWEENEY: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor?

19 ALL: Aye.

20 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

21 Ayes have it.

22 Food service contract for One Port Center.

1 Mr. Pulte? Any questions?

2 I don't see any questions. No questions, I'll
3 accept a motion to accept as-is.

4 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Move the motion.

5 COMMISSIONER SWEENEY: Second.

6 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second.

7 All in favor?

8 ALL: Aye.

9 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

10 Ayes have it.

11 Extension of the line of credit for the 2010B
12 revenue bonds from Barclays Bank. Any questions
13 regarding that can be directed to Mr. White.

14 Seeing no questions, accept a motion.

15 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Move the motion.

16 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second?

17 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor?

19 ALL: Aye.

20 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

21 Ayes have it.

22 New vehicles request. This is a question,

1 again, Mr. Pulte on this one.

2 Any questions on the new vehicles? Actually, a
3 quick statement on this, if you could?

4 MR. PULTE: DRPA-15-017, as I stated before,
5 it's for two additional vehicles that were involved in an
6 accident, one with icy conditions, that were not budgeted
7 for this year, but we do need to replace them because
8 they cannot be repaired. This will be done on the PA
9 state contract, COSTAR contract, which gives us very good
10 pricing, a total of \$55,940.

11 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: That is actually
12 something that was instituted about 10 years ago in
13 Pennsylvania, which really, as a former state legislator,
14 has been a tremendous asset to local government in
15 Pennsylvania, because basically the State of Pennsylvania
16 bulk purchases these items and then the local government
17 gets to purchase it off of that contract. I'm glad the
18 DRPA is taking advantage of that as well.

19 Any questions? If not, move to accept.

20 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Move the motion.

21 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second?

22 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Second.

1 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor?

2 ALL: Aye.

3 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

4 Ayes have it.

5 The next item on the agenda is Citizens
6 Advisory Committee report.

7 MR. DeSANTIS: Good morning. I'm Tony
8 DeSantis. I'm a member of the Citizens Advisory
9 Committee.

10 First off, I want to welcome you, Mr.
11 DePasquale, as the Chairman of the Board.

12 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Thank you, Mr. DeSantis.

13 MR. DeSANTIS: I want to thank you for
14 approving the additions to our committee. We do have a
15 couple of questions. One question is we know that SEPTA
16 is moving forward with building the SEPTA Key as part of
17 their new payment technologies and we wanted to know how
18 PATCO is working with them, if there have been any
19 changes, any impediments?

20 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: I think Mr. White has
21 some information on that.

22 MR. RINK: No, I'll be happy, Mr. Chairman.

1 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Oh, John Rink, I'm sorry.
2 I apologize.

3 MR. RINK: PATCO's fare collection staff has
4 been working with SEPTA staff. We mentioned before, but
5 just to give you an update how it will work, basically,
6 we're working with SEPTA on PATCO FREEDOM Card. The
7 current FREEDOM Card we have will be able to be used on
8 SEPTA's system throughout. Any of the systems that SEPTA
9 has under their key system, their buses, their regional
10 rails, the El, the Broad Street line, a PATCO customer
11 who registers their card will be able to use that FREEDOM
12 Card on SEPTA's system.

13 What will also take place is the transfer,
14 where you have to purchase when you go through our fare
15 gates, that fare collection will be removed. It will
16 automatically be deducted from a backroom operation. So
17 going forward, if one of our customers uses SEPTA, they
18 can use the PATCO FREEDOM Card to ride SEPTA's line.

19 MR. DeSANTIS: Thank you. We have a second
20 question.

21 We wanted to also get a status on the GIS, on
22 the progress that's being made to identify and catalog

1 DRPA properties around the bridges.

2 MR. VENUTO: Yes, sir. The GIS is, like we
3 previously talked about, part of the overall PATCO
4 Outbound Survey. The project is still going forward. We
5 have completed the Commodore Barry Bridge GIS system. We
6 have completed the Betsy Ross. And we are now working on
7 the two inner bridges systems. So we have probably about
8 another two and a half months, I think, before we're
9 ready to roll out the GIS system. But if at one point
10 you wanted us to come to the Citizens Advisory and give
11 you a demonstration of what the Commodore Barry Bridge
12 is, we certainly can do that.

13 MR. DeSANTIS: Okay. Thank you, that concludes
14 my report.

15 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Thank you, Mr. DeSantis.

16 Any questions for Mr. DeSantis?

17 Seeing none thank you and the whole Committee
18 for all your time and dedication, we appreciate that.

19 The next item is our public comment period. Is
20 there any public comment? And I do think we want anyone
21 that has a public comment to go to the microphone so
22 everyone can hear.

1 MR. KNOCHE: Friends of Cooper River Park West
2 is here today, again. We didn't expect to be. But
3 because the land that you authorized transferred to the
4 CCMUA has still not been transferred, all I can do to
5 express our dissatisfaction and frustration as I read to
6 you from a newspaper article dated April 17, 2014:

7 "Deputy Executive Director Michael Conallen
8 told Delaware River Port Authority Commissioners, 15 of
9 18 park parcels will be transferred within the next few
10 weeks to the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority.
11 As owner, the latter will partner with the New Jersey
12 Conservation Foundation to oversee the property."

13 Obviously, "the next few weeks" are long gone.
14 And we had a discussion with one of your attorneys and we
15 hear a lot of stuff, but a lot of stuff that should have
16 been done, should have been finished. I don't know what
17 the problem is. I don't know why this can't get done,
18 but there is tremendous community frustration around the
19 fact that we have been told this park is going to happen.
20 We've been told it can open in the spring. It was
21 actually supposed to open last spring, after this
22 newspaper article came out. And it's not happening.

1 I've been told there's all these state
2 requirements that are being met. But according to what
3 you all have done, this was all supposed to have been
4 finished and the transfer complete, and CCMUA and New
5 Jersey Conservation running this park and having it open
6 to the public.

7 So I thank Commissioner Nash for agreeing to
8 meet with us after this meeting, but it's just
9 unconscionable that it's taking so long to get this done.
10 Thank you.

11 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Two things. One, I want
12 to thank Vice Chairman Nash for his commitment to trying
13 to meet, not only to try to, but to meet with the group
14 and open up that dialogue there.

15 I do want to ask Mr. Conallen if there are any
16 updates from his end that can help put some perspective
17 on this.

18 MR. CONALLEN: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman, members
19 of the Board. First, I do want to acknowledge that this
20 Board has been extremely clear in its instruction to
21 staff to transfer this property for the purpose of
22 opening it to the public as parkland. Second, I fully

1 acknowledge the frustration that the public has in the
2 delays in getting this land open. We've had an agreement
3 where we've owned this property for better part of 14
4 years.

5 We have an agreement with CCMUA to transfer the
6 properties. The original agreement was with the county.
7 The county took action to transfer its rights to CCMUA.
8 CCMUA then took action to accept those rights. We then
9 entered into an agreement with CCMUA for the transfer of
10 the properties to CCMUA for the purpose of opening it as
11 parkland. That agreement is subject to making sure we
12 meet all the environmental requirements that are required
13 by the State of New Jersey's Land Transfer Act.

14 In the properties that we commonly refer to as
15 the Gateway Park properties, there are two sets of
16 properties or parcels. There are five or six parcels
17 that we knew based on previous environmental
18 investigation were going to require additional
19 remediation, environment remediation. We have engaged
20 and are in a contract, in process with a licensed site
21 remedial professional to do that work on those five or
22 six parcels.

1 On the remaining 15 to 16 parcels that we
2 believe based on our previous environmental studies were
3 clean and would not require any additional action, the
4 State still requires us when we transfer to have what is
5 called an RAO. We have another engineering firm under
6 contract currently doing that work. CCMUA and the
7 Authority agree that once we receive those RAOs that are
8 subject to a three-year look back by the State, that
9 those parcels will then transfer to the CCMUA, to open up
10 that land as parkland.

11 We went through what turned out to be an
12 exhaustive title search to make sure we knew exactly the
13 location and the boundaries, and that everybody from the
14 county, to the city, to the Authority agreed upon what
15 those parcels were. That did take longer than we had
16 anticipated.

17 What I would assure the public and this Board
18 is that I will do my best at getting all the requirements
19 satisfied that need to be satisfied as quickly as we
20 possibly can.

21 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Let me say this, Tom, and
22 to the people here, let me give you the bottom line.

1 Michael, you've done a great job in dealing with a lot of
2 complicated legal issues that have to be resolved. This
3 park is opening this spring. The county is working on
4 the capital improvements with the community. Those
5 capital improvements, I don't care who owns the park, the
6 capital improvements will be done. The park will be
7 opened and the community will enjoy it whether these
8 issues are resolved or not. That's the bottom line.

9 MR. KNOCHE: Is the April 25th date that we
10 proposed a good one?

11 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: The 25th of?

12 MR. KNOCHE: That's as close to Earth Day as we
13 could get, Saturday, April 25th.

14 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Yes.

15 MR. KNOCHE: We'll hold you to that,
16 Commissioner.

17 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Now I don't know if all
18 the capital improvements will be done by the 25th, but
19 the park will be open.

20 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Yes, Mr. Sasso?

21 COMMISSIONER SASSO: First of all, thanks for
22 keeping this in the forefront of our minds. And I'd like

1 to second what Vice Chairman Nash said about Mr.
2 Conallen. I know he's been working on this. But is the
3 issue that the State is saying you can't transfer the
4 land until you get X, Y, and Z done, or can we transfer
5 the land and just agree to indemnify and hold the
6 citizens group harmless if anything comes up while we're
7 trying to clear up those issues?

8 MR. CONALLEN: As we negotiated this transfer,
9 CCMUA's attorneys wanted to make sure that the transfer
10 was completed and that we met, meaning the Authority met,
11 all the environmental requirements that are imposed by
12 state statute. As such, an RAO is required as part of
13 that transfer. And the new state statute also required
14 that that RAO has a three-year look-back period so that
15 we retain some liability for that RAO. And that RAOs, at
16 least 10 percent, I believe, are audited by the State.
17 So there were some new requirements that were put in
18 place.

19 Whether the CCMUA could have waived those
20 requirements, I honestly couldn't answer that question.

21 COMMISSIONER SASSO: Well, I would just suggest
22 maybe we ought to take a look at that.

1 MR. CONALLEN: Yes, sir.

2 COMMISSIONER SASSO: And I'm not asking them to
3 waive any rights they might have. All I'm saying is that
4 maybe we could just transfer it and say, listen, we're
5 going to continue to get the requirements, but here is
6 the land and if anything comes up between now and the
7 time we do complete our examination, we'll just hold you
8 harmless, because we're responsible for it anyway.
9 Something for maybe the lawyers to consider.

10 MR. CONALLEN: Yes, sir.

11 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Any other questions for
12 Mr. Conallen?

13 COMMISSIONER SASSO: It's always the lawyers,
14 Eugene.

15 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: You opened up that can of
16 worms.

17 MR. DeSANTIS: Can you just clarify what an RAO
18 is?

19 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: I'm sorry. Can you just
20 get a mic, so we can hear, or at least so I can hear?

21 MR. DeSANTIS: I just wanted to know what an
22 RAO is.

1 MR. CONALLEN: It's a Response Action Outcome.
2 It's I guess, yeah, it's a DEP requirement. It used to
3 be a No Further Action Letter, but now it's an RAO. It's
4 done by an independent licensed professional that we pay
5 for, we hire, but they have a duty to the public to make
6 sure when they issue this RAO, it's not because we pay
7 them to do it, but because they, as a licensed
8 professional, have determined that this property is now
9 adequate for what its use is from an environmental
10 standpoint.

11 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: There is no harm in
12 opening the park either way. These are issues confined
13 to some of the environmental questions on parcels which
14 are going to be removed from the public access. So the
15 park is opening. It doesn't matter who owns it. The
16 people and the children who walk through there, it's
17 going to be part of the greenway. It doesn't matter who
18 owns the park, as long as it's open to the public. And
19 the park will be open.

20 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Any other questions?

21 MR. KNOCHE: We'll hold you to that,
22 Commissioner. But we appreciate very much your firmness

1 about getting it open in the spring. That means the
2 parking lot will be open and people will be able to use
3 it.

4 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Yes.

5 MR. KNOCHE: And there will be maintenance and
6 security so that people will feel comfortable accessing
7 the park.

8 VICE CHAIRMAN NASH: Yes.

9 MR. KNOCHE: That's what we're looking for.

10 MR. HANSON: And I spoke with Acting General
11 Counsel Kristen Mayock about this just prior to the
12 meeting. She's been very proactive in all of the legal
13 matters since assuming this role and she said that she
14 will get right on it. And I'm sure that she'll handle it
15 in the same way that she's been handling everything else.

16 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Great.

17 Any other questions on this matter?

18 The next item on the agenda is the Executive
19 Session, but I see no reason to move to Executive
20 Session. So unless somebody strongly disagrees, I'm just
21 going to cross that one off and move next to adjournment
22 of the DRPA Board.

1 Is there a motion for accepting a motion to
2 move to adjournment?

3 COMMISSIONER KICHLINE: So moved.

4 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Second?

5 COMMISSIONER FENTRESS: Second.

6 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: All in favor, aye.

7 ALL: Aye.

8 CHAIRMAN DePASQUALE: Opposed?

9 Ayes have it.

10 (Whereupon, at 10:25 a.m., the DRPA Board
11 meeting adjourned on January 21, 2015.)

12 There being no further business, on motion duly
13 made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

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15 Respectfully submitted,

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17 Kristen M. Mayock
18 Acting Corporate Secretary

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