

**DELAWARE RIVER PORT AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING**

**One Port Center  
Camden, New Jersey  
Wednesday, May 18, 2022**

**Pennsylvania Commissioners**

Cherelle Parker, Chair of the Board (via telephone)  
Hayden Rigo (for Pennsylvania Auditor General Timothy DeFoor) (via telephone)  
Donna Powell (via telephone)  
Ted Christian (for Pennsylvania Treasurer Stacy Garrity) (via telephone)  
Keiwana McKinney (via telephone)

**New Jersey Commissioners**

Jeffrey Nash, Esq., Vice Chair of the Board (via telephone)  
Sara Lipsett (via telephone)  
Albert Frattali  
Charles Fentress  
Aaron Nelson (via telephone)  
Bruce Garganio (via telephone)

**DRPA/PATCO Staff**

John T. Hanson, Chief Executive Officer  
Raymond J. Santarelli, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary  
Stephen M. Holden, Deputy General Counsel  
Narisa Sasitorn, Deputy General Counsel (via telephone)  
James White, Chief Financial Officer  
David Aubrey, Inspector General  
Michael Venuto, Chief Engineer  
Robert Hicks, Chief Operating Officer  
Robert Finnegan, Chief Safety and Security Officer  
Edward Cobbs, Chief of Police  
Tonyelle Cook-Artis, Acting Director, Grants and Government Relations  
John Lotierzo, Director of Finance  
Orville Parker, Manager, Budget and Financial Analyst  
Christina Maroney, Director, Strategic Initiatives  
Joseph McAroy, Bridge Director, BFB & BRB (via telephone)  
Amy Ash, Manager, Contracts Administration  
Michael Williams, Manager, Corporate Communications  
Kathleen Vandy, Assistant General Counsel  
Dawn Whiton, Executive Assistant to the CEO  
Barbara Wagner, Executive Assistant to the CEO  
Elizabeth Saylor, Administrative Coordinator, Corporate Secretary

**Others Present**

Janice Venables, Associate Counsel, New Jersey Governor's Authorities Unit  
Christopher Gibson, Archer & Greiner, P.C.  
Alan Kessler, Duane Morris, LLP (via telephone)  
Jessica Priselac, Duane Morris, LLP (via telephone)

Alan Becker, CAC  
Joel Dowling, SAP  
Ed Rivera, SAP  
Chris Devlin, SAP  
Alex Chahine, SAP

## **OPEN SESSION**

### **Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.**

Chairwoman Parker requested everyone to rise and observe a moment of silence and for the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Roll Call**

Chairwoman Parker called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and asked that the Corporate Secretary call the roll. The following Commissioners were present, constituting a quorum: Chairwoman Parker, Vice Chairman Nash, Powell, Frattali, Fentress, Rigo, Christian, Lipsett, Nelson, McKinney, and Garganio.

Chairwoman Parker opened the Meeting with the following remarks:

I would like to start today's meeting by stating that I hope everyone is well and I am sorry that I am unable to attend today's meeting in person.

On Friday, May 6, 2022, I had the privilege of joining our fellow Commissioners in attending the swearing in ceremony of our new Chief of Police, Edward Cobbs, Jr. and two Captains of Police, Shawn Dougherty and Matthew Gorman. Many family members and friends were in attendance to show their support. Also in attendance were many dignitaries such as Camden Mayor Vic Carstarphen and Veronica Duron, Chief of Staff for U.S. Senator Cory Booker. The swearing in ceremony was a very special event and I firmly believe that a police department is a critical part of the community that they serve. The men and women who choose to serve in law enforcement are entrusted with the responsibility of performing very noble work. The Delaware River Port Authority's Public Safety Department is outstanding. We have seasoned law enforcement leaders and professionals who are committed in ensuring safety, serving others and accountability. I am personally pleased to be associated with an organization that firmly believes in the principles of equal opportunity for all qualified individuals. When it comes to this, many agencies talk the talk, but don't walk the walk. DRPA and PATCO management work hard to every day to put that talk into action. I want to say a very special thank you for all the work the staff does.

### **Public Comment**

Corporate Secretary Santarelli reported that there is no public comment.

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

CEO Hanson then stated that the CEO Report stood as previously submitted. Commissioner Fentress moved to approve the CEO's Report and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted to approve the CEO's Report. The motion carried.

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

CFO White stated that his Report stood as previously submitted. PATCO ridership and DRPA traffic are in a holding period but are coming along financially and containing costs. On March 4, 2022, we closed on our Bond Refunding after three months of diligent work on it from staff.

### **Approval of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financial Statement**

Chairwoman Parker stated that the 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financial Statement was previously provided to the Governors of New Jersey and Pennsylvania and to the DRPA Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Frattali moved to receive and file the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Financials and Commissioner Fentress seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes as submitted. The motion carried.

### **Approval of the April 20, 2022 DRPA Board Meeting Minutes**

Chairwoman Parker stated that the Minutes of the April 20, 2022 DRPA Board Meeting were previously provided to the Governors of New Jersey and Pennsylvania and to the DRPA Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Fentress moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Lipsett 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 List of Previously Approved Payments and List of Previously Approved Purchase Orders and Contracts covering the Month of April 2022.**

Chairwoman Parker stated that the Lists of Previously Approved Payments and Previously Approved Purchase Orders and Contracts covering the month of April 2022 were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Fentress moved to receive and file the lists and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

### **Approval of Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2022**

Chairwoman Parker stated that the Minutes of the May 3, 2022 Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Rigo moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Frattali 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 May 3, 2022**

Chairwoman Parker stated that there was one (1) Resolution from the May 3, 2022 Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting for consideration.

**DRPA-22-041                      DRPA Application for Grant Funding through DVRPC Transportation & Community Development Initiative (TCDI) for the Walt Whitman Bridge PA Corridor Overpass and Toll Plaza Paint Study.**

Acting Director of Government Relations Cook-Artis presented Summary Statement and Resolution No. DRPA-22-041 seeking Board authorization for staff to apply for grant funding through the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) Transportation & Community Development Initiative (TCDI) for funding for the Walt Whitman Bridge PA Corridor Overpass and Toll Plaza Paint Study, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00. Chairwoman Parker inquired whether Commissioners had any questions for staff concerning the Resolution. There were no questions. Commissioner Fentress moved to adopt Resolution No. DRPA-22-041 and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to adopt the Resolution. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**Approval of Labor Committee Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2022**

Chairwoman Parker stated that the Minutes of the May 3, 2022 Labor Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Frattali moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Fentress 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 Labor Committee on May 3, 2022**

Chairwoman Parker stated that there was one (1) Resolution from the May 3, 2022 Labor Committee Meeting for consideration:

**DRPA-22-042                      Manager, IT Audit.**

Chief Executive Officer Hanson presented Summary Statement and Resolution No. DRAP-22-042 requesting that the Board: (1) accept the recommendation of the Labor Committee to approve the position of Manager, IT Audit and (2) accept the recommendation of the Labor Committee to compensate the position as a Grade E-1 in accordance with the recommendation from the compensation consultant, CCI Consulting. Chairwoman Parker inquired whether Commissioners had any questions for staff concerning the Resolution. There were no questions. Commissioner McKinney moved to adopt Resolution No. DRPA-22-042 and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to adopt the Resolution. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

**Citizens Advisory Committee Report.**

Alan Becker gave the report of the Citizens Advisory Committee.

### **Unfinished Business**

There were no Unfinished Business items.

### **New Business**

Chairwoman Parker announced one (1) New Business item for consideration:

**DRPA-22-043                      Consideration of Pending DRPA Contracts  
(Between \$25,000 and \$100,000).**

Director of Procurement Mosback presented the Summary Statement and Resolution No. DRPA-22-042 seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate the two (2) pending DRPA contracts identified in the attachment to the Resolution. Chairwoman Parker inquired whether Commissioners had any questions for staff concerning the Resolution. There were no questions. Commissioner Fentress moved to adopt Resolution No. DRPA-22-043 and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. Commissioner Christian abstained from the vote. Corporate Secretary Santarelli noted that, with the resignation of Commissioner McGinty, Pennsylvania required four (4) Commissioners to be in attendance for a quorum. The meeting had four (4) Commissioners in attendance; thus, we did have a quorum for this vote. All other Commissioners in attendance voted to approve the motion. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

### **The DRPA Board Meeting was held in abeyance at 9:24 a.m.**

### **Adjournment**

With no further business, Chairwoman Parker proposed to adjourn. Commissioner Fentress moved to adjourn. Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The Meeting concluded at 9:33 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Raymond J. Santarelli, Esquire  
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary