

**PORT AUTHORITY TRANSIT CORPORATION
BOARD MEETING**

**One Port Center
Camden, New Jersey
Wednesday, January 15, 2025**

Pennsylvania Commissioners

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

New Jersey Commissioners

Jeffrey Nash, Esq., Vice Chairman of the Board (via Teams)
Albert Frattali
Richard Sweeney
Charles Fentress
Aaron Nelson (via Teams)
Bruce Garganio (via Teams)
Sarah Lipsett (via Teams)
Jonathan Young

DRPA/PATCO Staff

John Hanson, Chief Executive Officer
Jalila D. 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
David Aubrey, Inspector General
Stephen M. Holden, Esq., Deputy General Counsel
Christopher Jones, Director, Information Services
Matthew Licata, Director, Fleet Management (via Teams)
Ricardo DeOliveira, Director, WWB/CBB (via Teams)
Joseph McAroy, Director, BRB/BFB (via Teams)
Darlene Callands, Acting Director, Government Relations & Grants Administration
Christina Maroney, Director, Strategic Initiatives
Darcie DeBeaumont, Director, Finance, DRPA
Mark Ciechon, Director, Finance, PATCO
Jesse Mickel, Acting Manager, Purchasing & Stores
Rohan Hepkins, PATCO Deputy General Manager
Kathleen P. Vandy, Esq., Assistant General Counsel
Amy Ash, Manager, Contract Administration
Carol Herbst, Senior Accountant, Finance (via Teams)

Dawn Whiton, Executive Assistant to the CEO
Mike Williams, Manager, Corporate Communications
Amanda Hammock, Administrative Coordinator, Corporate Secretary Department
Katherine Hilinski, Records Manager, Office of General Counsel

Others Present

Alexis Franklin, Esq., Associate Counsel, New Jersey Governor’s Authorities Unit
Alan Kessler, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)
Jessica Priselac, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)
Bill Hamilton, former DRPA employee
Mike Denardo, Reporter, WHYY
Christian Holt, Sales and Marketing Representative, Holt Logistics
Paul Breeman, Director, Holt Logistics

OPEN SESSION

Roll Call

Vice Chairman Nash called the meeting to order at 9:29 a.m. and asked that the Corporate Secretary call the roll. The following Commissioners were present, constituting a quorum: Vice Chairman Nash, Commissioners Frattali, Powell, McKinney-Forde, Deon, Nelson, Schwab, Ross, Fentress, Snell, Garganio, Young, Lipsett, Ghormoz and Sweeney.

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

Approval of the December 11, 2024 PATCO Board Meeting Minutes

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the Minutes of the December 11, 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 Frattali moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Receipt and Filing of the Lists of Previously Approved Payments covering the Months of November and December 2024

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the List of Previously Approved Payments covering the months of November and December 2024 were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. 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 December 2024

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the List of Previously Approved Purchase Orders and Contracts covering the month of December 2024 was previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. Commissioner Schwab moved to receive and file the List and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

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

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the Balance Sheet and Equity Statement dated October 31, 2024, was previously provided to all Commissioners. Commissioner Fentress moved to receive and file the Balance Sheet and Equity Statement and Commissioner Frattali seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Approval of Operations and Maintenance Committee Meeting Minutes of January 7, 2025

Vice Chairman Nash stated that the Minutes of the January 7, 2025 Operations and Maintenance Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments on or corrections to the Minutes. Commissioner Frattali moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes. The motion carried.

Adoption of Resolution Approved by the Operations and Maintenance Committee on January 7, 2025

Vice Chairman Nash stated that there was one (1) Resolution from the January 7, 2025 Operations and Maintenance Committee Meeting for consideration:

PATCO-25-001

Freedom Card Service Center Operations

PATCO General Manager Rink presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate a five (5) year contract with Cubic Transportation Systems, Inc. to manage and staff the FREEDOM Card Customer Service Center Contract in an amount not to exceed \$2,392,814. Vice Chairman Nash inquired if there were plans in place for the program to include other avenues of payment, including using cellular devices. PATCO General Manager Rink stated that those options were being worked on and would be integrated in the future. Commissioner Sweeney moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Fentress seconded the motion. There were no further questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

New Business

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

PATCO-25-002

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

Acting Purchasing Manager Mickel presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate and enter into one (1) pending DRPA contract identified in the attachment to the Resolution. Commissioner Fentress moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business.

Executive Session

There were no Executive Session items.

Vice Chairman Nash thanked Daniel Christy for his service as a New Jersey Commissioner.

ADJOURNMENT

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 9:36 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Raymond J. Santarelli, Esquire
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary