

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority (“Authority”) was held at the Authority’s office in Jamestown on Wednesday, November 6, 2019.

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 A.M. by Chairman Stephen C. Waluk

Members Present:

Stephen C. Waluk, Chairman
Judith M. Morse, Vice Chair
Peter Alviti, Jr. P.E., Ex Officio
Darrell Waldron
R. David Cruise

Invited Guests:

Buddy Croft, Executive Director
Maggie Baker, Chief Financial Officer
Eric Offenberg, Director of Engineering
Kathryn O’Connor, Director of Tolling and Operations
Kathryn Coleman, Manager of Tolling and Operations
Joseph Levesque, Chief Engineer
Paul Sikorskyj, Manager of Safety and Security
Bill O’Gara, Legal Counsel

Item No. 2

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Item No. 3

Motion by Darrell Waldron, seconded by Judith M. Morse, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2019 Board Meeting.

Item No. 4

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Darrell Waldron, passed unanimously to approve:

Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O’Gara LLC

Professional Services for the month of October 2019 \$12,414.78

Item No. 5

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Darrell Waldron, passed unanimously to approve:

Adler Pollock & Sheehan P.C

Professional Services for the month of September 2019 \$446.25

Item No. 6

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Peter Alviti, Jr., passed unanimously to ratify

Construction/Engineering invoices in the amount of: \$1,759,945.98

Item No. 7

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Peter Alviti, Jr., passed unanimously to approve the Bond Resolution Approving Form of Official Statement and Bond Purchase Agreement Relating to RITBA Taxable Refunding Toll Revenue Bonds, 2019 Series 1. The Board asked that a follow up report of the final version be provided at the next meeting.

Item No. 8

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Peter Alviti, Jr., passed unanimously to approve Resolution Approving Form of Official Statement and Bond Purchase Agreement Relating to Not to Exceed \$50,000,000 RITBA Motor Fuel Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2019 A. The Board asked that a follow up report of the final version be provided at the next meeting.

Item No. 9

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Peter Alviti, Jr., passed unanimously to approve the Resolution Establishing Renewal and Replacement Fund Requirement Under Master Indenture for Motor Fuel Tax Revenue Bonds.

Item No. 10

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Peter Alviti, Jr., passed unanimously to approve the Resolution Approving Management Recommendation for Debt Service Coverage Target for RITBA's Motor Fuel Tax Revenue Bonds.

Item No. 11

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Peter Alviti, Jr., passed unanimously to approve the task order for WSP to provide Construction Support Services for Contract 19-4 - Newport/Pell and Jamestown Verrazzano Bridges On-Call Bridge Miscellaneous Repairs at a cost not to exceed \$250,000.00.

Item No. 12

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Peter Alviti, Jr., passed unanimously to approve the task order for Collins Engineers to provide construction inspection and oversight for underwater repairs for Contract 19-4 - Newport/Pell and Jamestown Verrazzano Bridges On-Call Bridge Miscellaneous Repairs at a cost not to exceed \$207,276.00.

Item No. 13

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Peter Alviti, Jr., passed unanimously to approve the task order for Keville Enterprises to provide Construction Inspection and Resident Engineer Services for Contract 19-4 - Newport/Pell and Jamestown Verrazzano Bridges On-Call Bridge Miscellaneous Repairs at a cost not to exceed \$335,000.00.

Executive Director's Report:

- Bridge Run on October 20th was very successful; the weather cooperated and this year's event drew the highest amount of runners to date. A Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Foundation meeting will be held on December 6th at which time all invoices should be in and board members will make decisions on how proceeds will be allocated to non-profits who have applied for a donation.
- A woman jumped from the Mount Hope Bridge about a week ago during day light hours. She was rescued and survived. It prompted media inquiries which we have been responding to including how to address attempted suicides. It was noted that this is a major issue, a mental health issue and a national issue. We continue to discuss how best to address this situation.
- Next Board Meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2020. (The December 4, 2019 meeting on the original annual calendar will not be held.)

Chairman Waluk noted that the board members received a packet of applications for the Executive Director position. He will email the board members with plans for next steps in the selection process.

Motion by Peter Alviti, Jr., seconded by Judith Morse, passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 AM.

Buddy Croft
Secretary