

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

HELD AT HEADQUARTERS, HIGHLAND, N.Y. ON
MARCH 24, 2006

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

James P. Sproat, Chairman
Dressel, Roderick O., Vice Chairman
Walter A. Paradies, Commissioner
Teator, David A., Commissioner

Whitbeck, Carl W., Esq., Counsel

OFFICERS:

George C. Sinnott, Secretary
Bresnan, James J., Assistant Secretary
Sewell, John, Treasurer

Absent:

Thomas J. Madison, Jr., Commissioner

Chairman Sproat called the regular meeting of the Authority to order at 3:00 P.M.

Chairman Sproat stated to the Board that the Authority has a new Board Member, Thomas M. Madison, Jr., who, unfortunately, could not be with us today and asked Mr. Sinnott if perhaps he can give us an update about Mr. Madison. Mr. Sinnott stated that Mr. Madison has attained many accomplishments throughout his career with the State one being his appointment as Deputy Secretary to the Governor for Transportation and the latest, his appointment as Commissioner of the Department of Transportation (DOT). He further stated that Mr. Madison

regrets that he could not be present at his first meeting but, since his appointment was announced to him shortly before it began, prior commitments as Commissioner of DOT prevented him from attending, in person, today's meeting. Mr. Sinnott further stated that the Authority's IT Department was putting into place a video conferencing system, which would afford Mr. Madison, easy access, should the need arise, to participate in future meetings from his Albany Office via video conferencing.

Chairman Sproat officially recognized Commissioner Madison as a member of the New York State Bridge Authority Board of Commissioners and the following appointment notice by the Governor is recorded in the minutes of March 24, 2006.

STATE OF NEW YORK

Executive Chamber
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Comptroller Hevesi:

I have the honor to advise you that on January 23, 2006, Governor Pataki nominated Thomas J. Madison, Jr., of Waterford, as a Member of the New York State Bridge Authority, for a term to expire February 1, 2011.

On February 15, 2006, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Commissioner Madison.

Sincerely,

Honorable H. Alan G. Hevesi
Comptroller
State Department of Audit and Control
110 State Street
Albany, New York 12236

/s/ John P. Cahill

cc: Office of the Secretary of State
NYS Bridge Authority
Carol Borst

In compliance with the Public Authorities Law, Section 528, relative to Board members, the following resolution, on motion of Commissioner Teator, seconded by Chairman Sproat, was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-021

Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

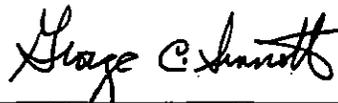
WHEREAS, Section 528, Public Authorities Law, confers upon the New York State Bridge Authority the power to appoint or designate one or more persons as police officers for the purpose of enforcing law, order and the observance of the rules and regulations as established by the Authority; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that Thomas J. Madison, Jr., Board member of the Authority, be and hereby is appointed New York State Bridge Authority police officer to hold office until the 2006 Annual Meeting or until separated from the service of the Bridge Authority, which ever shall occur first, or until such earlier date as this Authority shall determine; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing herein shall be construed to confer on any individual the right to carry firearms in the course of his or her duties or while off duty, except that those officers specifically and individually authorized in writing to undertake police patrol duties by the Executive Director may be so armed while on duty.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

Chairman Sproat proceeded with the regular meeting agenda and stated the first order of business would be the minutes of last month's meeting and if there were no questions or objections; he would like to call for a motion to adopt the minutes of the February 10, 2006 meeting. On motion of Commissioner Paradies, seconded by Vice Chairman Dressel, the minutes of the February 10, 2006 regular meeting were adopted by a unanimous vote.

Chairman Sproat stated that the Administration Department's agenda item, the Prompt Payment Annual Report, would be presented.

ADMINISTRATION:

1) Prompt Payment Annual Report

Mr. Russo stated the resolution for this annual report must be received and signed and the report must be filed with various state departments pursuant to the New York State Bridge Authority Prompt Payment Policy Section 207.4b. Mr. Russo further stated that the report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2005 had no chargeable late payments. Chairman Sproat commended the Administration Department for a nil report and asked the Commissioners to move on the resolution if there were no questions. On motion of Commissioner Paradies, seconded by Vice Chairman Dressel, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-022

Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

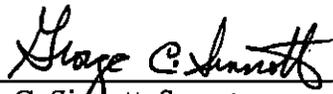
WHEREAS, the New York State Bridge Authority Prompt Payment Policy as adopted by this Authority in compliance with §2880 of the Public Authorities Law requires an annual report on the scope and implementation of such policy be submitted to the Board for review purposes within ninety (90) days after the close of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has compiled and submitted such a report reflecting the requirements of Section 207.4 of such Policy; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED the New York State Bridge Authority does hereby approve the described report for fiscal year 2005 filed herewith; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Simmott, Secretary

2) IAG Strategic Planning Meeting – New Jersey

Mr. Russo stated that he and Barry Mickle, E-ZPass Manager seek approval from the Board to attend an E-ZPass Interagency Group (IAG) Strategic Planning Meeting being held on March 27th and 28th as the Authority's representatives of the Executive Committee and Policy Committee. The meeting is being held in Atlanta, NJ and they would travel by Authority vehicle. Agenda items will include: defining IAG memberships for private toll operators; reciprocity issues surrounding public-private partnerships with regard to parking and other non-toll operations; and next generation technology for E-ZPass equipment and transponders. Mr. Russo stated that the last item will be of particular interest since the IAG contract with Mark IV, the current vendor for this equipment, expires in 2007. The authorization for travel expenses would include the cost of a two-night hotel accommodation and per diem meals at a cost not-to-exceed the State Comptroller Guidelines. After a brief discussion relative to this strategic planning meeting, Mr. Russo concluded his report. Commissioner Teator asked Mr. Russo if he would give the Board a package for such travel one month prior to the meeting. Mr. Russo stated he would for future travel. Chairman Sproat called for a motion if there were no other concerns and on motion of Commissioner Teator, seconded by Commissioner Paradies, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-023

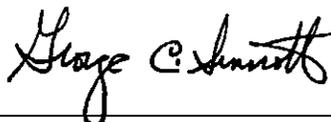
Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

WHEREAS, the Board has received and reviewed a request for overnight, out-of-state travel to attend a special Interagency Group (IAG) Executive Management Seminar being held in Atlantic City, NJ on March 27th and 28th; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that authorization is granted to Bob Russo and Barry Mickle as the Authority's IAG Executive and Policy Committee members, respectively, to attend the identified meeting as the representatives for the Authority; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

ENGINEERING:1) Newburgh-Beacon Bridge Toll Plaza Reconstruction Inspection Services Supplement

Mr. Moreau referred the Board to the Engineering report and stated that due to the contractor's accelerated schedule, additional overtime hours were required to supervise night-time operations. Modjeski and Master's, the resident engineer, has been off the job since the end of December and will return early March to complete final job records. However, because of the accelerated schedule required, the resident engineer's agreement was increased \$15,779.22 to a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$430,799.22. Chairman Sproat asked how the job was going and Mr. Moreau stated Engineering was pleased to report that a job well done was being performed thanks to Modjeski and Masters for putting the contractor's "nose to the grindstone." After a brief discussion and the Board's review of the report, Chairman Sproat called for a motion. On motion Commissioner Paradies, seconded by Commissioner Teator, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY**BOARD RESOLUTION**Resolution No.: 006-024Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

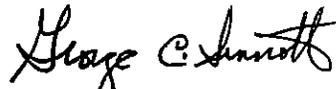
WHEREAS, the New York State Bridge Authority has determined that it is in the public interest to increase Modjeski & Masters' professional service agreement in connection with the Newburgh-Beacon "Toll Plaza Expansion and Pavement Rehabilitation" project designated as (BA-2003-RE-110-SU); and

WHEREAS, the Authority's Engineering Department has reviewed and approved the cost proposal increase; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that an agreement with Modjeski and Masters, Inc. of Poughkeepsie, New York be increased \$15,779.22 to a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$430,779.22; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

2) Mid-Hudson Bridge Maintenance Building and Utility Service

This project had been previously discussed with the Board when the bids were received in November 2005. At that time, the low bid of \$2.48 million was 25 percent over the engineer's estimate. Mr. Moreau stated that as a result of that bid the project was withdrawn for the time being and the Authority reviewed the design of the building work and recommended a redesign of the project. As a result of this re-evaluation, raising the existing building, replacing the siding and roofing and constructing a new one-story addition would meet the needs of the project and realize a \$400,000-\$500,000 savings under that of the bids received. Vice Chairman Dressel asked Mr. Moreau if he was satisfied with the evaluation of the redesign and Mr. Moreau stated that he was. After a brief discussion of other projects, Chairman Sproat called for a motion if there were no further questions or comments. On motion of Vice Chairman Dressel, seconded by Commissioner Paradies, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-025

Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

WHEREAS, the New York State Bridge Authority has determined that it is in the public interest to award a supplemental agreement for professional services in connection with the re-design of the Mid-Hudson Bridge "Maintenance Building and Utility Service" to be designated (BA-2003-RE-114-DE); and

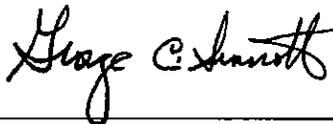
WHEREAS, the Authority's Engineering Department has determined that Foit-Albert Associates is best qualified to provide the required professional services; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's Engineering Department has reviewed and approved the "cost-plus" not-to-exceed proposal; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that a supplemental professional service agreement be issued to Foit-Albert Associates of Albany, New York in an amount not to exceed \$96,075.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

3) Rip Van Winkle Bridge Dock

Mr. Moreau stated that one of the Authority's in-house capital program projects last year was to procure and install a floating dock for the new river access road at this facility. Mr. Moreau and his maintenance engineer supervisor researched the available industry standards for dock construction and advertised the opportunity to fabricate an 8 ft. x 40 ft. and a 5 ft. x 40 ft. floating dock plus a 60 ft. gangway. Mr. Moreau further stated that two fabricators responded but only one submitted a bid. Both Mr. Moreau and the maintenance engineer supervisor agreed the low bid of \$29,545.00 was a reasonable price and recommended award to Technidock in the amount of \$29,545.00. Commissioner Teator asked how a low bid was arrived at if there was only one bid and Mr. Moreau stated that a single bid is acceptable as long as it is reasonable. Commissioner Paradies commented that the dock was a good size for that price and Mr. Moreau agreed. Vice Chairman Dressel asked if the dock would remain in the water during the winter months and Mr. Moreau stated that it would be demobilized. Chairman Sproat asked when the dock would be put in and Mr. Moreau stated in July and it would accommodate a 5,000 lb. boat. Chairman Sproat made a motion to adopt the resolution, which was seconded by Vice Chairman Dressel, and approved unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-026

Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

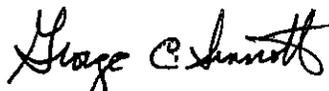
WHEREAS, the New York State Bridge Authority has determined that it is in the public interest to issue a purchase order to Technidock, Inc. for the fabrication of an 8 ft. x 40 ft. and 5 ft. x 40 ft. floating dock plus a 60 ft gangway for use at the Rip Van Winkle Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's Engineering Department has reviewed and approved this cost proposal; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that a purchase order be issued to Technidock, inc. for the purchase of an 8 ft. x 40 ft. and 5 ft. x 40 ft. floating dock plus a 60 ft. gangway at a price not-to-exceed \$29,545.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

4) Systemwide Safety Manual Update and Training

In response to the Authority's Request for Proposal, three firms submitted their qualifications and costs for the assignment and developed a course outline for training classes for Authority personnel. IMS Safety, Inc.'s proposal of \$14,140.00 was the low proposal and Engineering recommended awarding this assignment to IMS Safety, Inc. to review and update the Authority's "Safety Manuals" and to also develop a DEC Compliance Program, manual and an employee training course. Mr. Moreau noted that the last update to the safety manuals was 1995. Commissioner Paradies stated that Engineering chose IMS and questioned the logic when they scored lowest in the rating scale. Mr. Moreau stated that after interviewing the contractor's principals, they felt IMS was capable, however, they are a young company and as such, did not have the long-standing experience that some of the other contractors had. Commissioner Teator inquired as to the cost of training and Mr. Moreau stated that the cost for actual training would be assessed after the new procedures are in place but thought IMS would be competitive and do a good job. However, Engineering would refuse additional training cost if it was not reasonable. Chairman Dressel stated that this manual is good to have and Mr. Whitbeck agreed that it was necessary as part of the Authority's policy and procedures and is essential by law. Chairman Sproat called for a motion. On motion of Commissioner Teator, seconded by Vice Chairman Dressel, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-027

Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

WHEREAS, the New York State Bridge Authority has determined that it is in the public interest to award a professional services contract in connection with the Bear Mountain/ Newburgh-Beacon/ Mid-Hudson/ Kingston-Rhinecliff/ Rip-Van-Winkle Bridges "Safety Manual Update & Training" to be designated (BA-2006-RE-103-ES); and

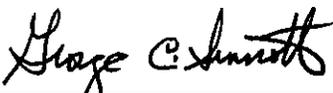
WHEREAS, the Authority has determined that IMS Safety, Inc. of Middletown, New York, submitted the best proposal to provide the required professional services; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's Engineering Department has reviewed and approved the cost proposal; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that an agreement be issued to IMS Safety, Inc. to provide professional services at a not-to-exceed cost of \$14,140.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March, 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

5) Rip Van Winkle Bridge Case Tractor/Loader Purchase

Mr. Moreau presented his report relative to the Case tractor/loader purchase stating that the 1984 tractor/loader can no longer meet its functional requirement and recommended replacing it with a new Case tractor/loader similar to the one purchased last year for the Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge. Mr. Moreau stated it is not available on the OGS contract and accordingly an ad was published. Mr. Moreau stated that although the Authority received three requests for specifications only one vendor was able to provide the tractor/loader that fit the Authority's needs, that being S.C. Hansen in Latham, NY in the amount of \$49,209.00. The vendor offered a trade-in on the old tractor of \$10,000.00. Commissioner Paradies noted that the price was good considering tractor/loaders could go as high as \$100,000. Commissioner Teator asked if it was possible to get other prices from other companies and Mr. Moreau stated Engineering had tried but the specifications required by the Authority limited them to this one vendor. Chairman Sproat asked Mr. Moreau if the purchase could wait till next month so that more information could be received to see if it became available through an OGS contract and Mr. Moreau stated yes. Chairman Sproat then stated that the Board would put it back on the agenda for next month.

6) Monthly Engineering Progress Report

Mr. Moreau presented to the Board the projects report for the month ending February 2006. Chairman Sproat noted that the cost summary sheet had been updated to reflect additions and deletions as per Commissioner Paradies' suggestion at last month's meeting and thanked Mr. Moreau indicating that it helped when reviewing the summary because the contract balance column indicates the total remaining costs of projects for each facility. Mr. Moreau briefly went through the report and asked the Commissioners if they had any questions. With no other comments, Chairman Sproat called for a motion. On motion of Commissioner Paradies, seconded by Vice Chairman Dressel, the following resolution was approved unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-028

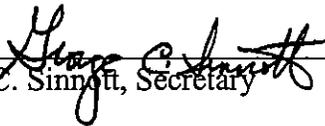
Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the monthly Engineering Progress Report on the Capital Project Status; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Engineering Progress Report for February 2006 is accepted as an instrument documenting the Board's briefing of the Capital Construction activities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.


George C. Sinnott, Secretary

FINANCIAL:

1) Investment Report

The Treasurer presented the Investment Report for the month of February 2006 and stated the report showed five investments through the Bank of New York and included the Authority's investment inventory as of February 2006. Mr. Sewell further stated that interest rates continued to rise throughout 2005 noting that this was reflected on page 3 of the report. Since there were no other comments to the report, Chairman Sproat called for a motion. On motion of Vice Chairman Dressel, seconded by Commissioner Teator, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-029

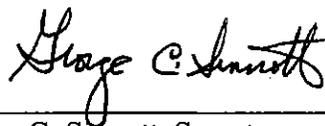
Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

WHEREAS, the investment control procedures for the New York State Bridge Authority provide that the Board shall review and approve the report of investment transactions completed since the meeting of the Board on February 28, 2006; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED the New York State Bridge Authority does hereby concur with and approve the investment report as filed with this body on this date for the purposes noted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March
2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

2) Public Authority Cost Recovery Charges

Public Authorities Law, §2975 directs the Division of Budget to allocate expenses for central governmental services to various public authorities and each year the Authority is billed by the Treasury's Taxation and Finance Department for a portion of this expense. This year, the Authority's share, for the year ending March 31, 2006, is \$380,459.00, which is the same as the prior two years. Vice Chairman Dressel asked if these monies were set aside for this payment and Mr. Sewell stated that the billed amount was a budgeted number. On motion of Chairman Sproat, seconded by Vice Chairman Dressel, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-030

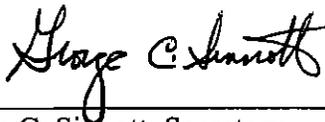
Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the report relative to the payment of public authority cost recovery charges for central government services as mandated by Public Authorities Law; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED the New York State Bridge Authority does hereby approve the payment of \$380,459 to the Department of Taxation and Finance for the Bridge Authority's share of these costs for the year ending March 31, 2006; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

3) Annual Procurement Contract Report

Mr. Sewell stated that the Public Authorities Law and the Authority's guidelines require an annual report detailing information on contracts over \$5,000 entered into during 2005 or ongoing from previous years. This report is then forwarded, after the Board's approval, to various State departments and Legislative committee members. Commissioner Paradies asked why, in the contract/purchase order number column, there were contracts without any project or purchase order number. Mr. Sewell stated that some contracts were entered into through a signed agreement between the parties and did not have a contract/purchase order number. He indicated that this column is an internal reference and is deleted when submitted to outside entities. The Board determined that this column would be deleted before its approval of this report. Commissioner Paradies commented on the ratio of insurance expenses to the total cost of all the contracts, which was approximately 5%. After a brief discussion and questions directed to Mr. Sewell, Chairman Sproat called for a motion. On motion of Vice Chairman Dressel, seconded by Chairman Sproat, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-031

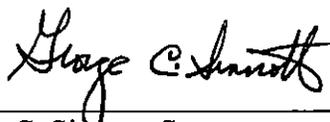
Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Authority's annual procurement contract report;
now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the report is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Simmott, Secretary

4) Accident Report – Year End 2005

As recommended by the Audit Committee, the Board, at its September 22, 2005 meeting, reinstated the Authority Accident Committee, and asked Mr. Sewell to manage it. Shortly after the Board's directive, the committee came together and, with the assistance of General Counsel's office, created an Accident Witness Statement and Instant Accident Memo forms which, when appropriate, will be completed, together with an Accident Report for each occurrence. The committee was tasked with providing a quarterly report of incidents or accidents on Bridge Authority property either involving Authority vehicles or personnel, or where there is a question of the Authority's liability in such a matter. Mr. Sewell stated there were no such events in the last quarter of 2005. Mr. Sewell indicated to the Board that in 2005 the accident information reporting system showed a total of 220 accidents at Authority facilities with no fatalities and few serious injuries. This concluded Mr. Sewell's report to the Board.

5) Insurance Fund Balance Determination.

Mr. Sewell referred to the report, which states how the determination is calculated. Modjeski & Masters, the Consulting Engineers for the Authority, determined \$7,918,530 to be the proper Insurance Fund balance by multiplying the \$263,951,000 replacement value of the South Span at the Newburgh-Beacon by the 3% deductible amount. After a detailed discussion and questions directed at Mr. Sewell, he asked the Board to approve the recommended determination. On motion of Commissioner Paradies, seconded by Chairman Sproat, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-032

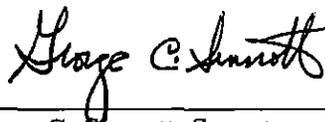
Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the report relative to determining the adequate balance in the Insurance Fund; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the balance shall be \$7,918,530 as recommended by the consulting Engineers, Modjeski and Masters, P.C.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March
2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

OPERATIONS:1) New York State Thruway Authority (NYSTA) Quarterly Invoice – E-ZPass Transaction Fees for the Fourth Quarter 2005

Mr. Ferguson presented to the Board a report and invoice from the New York State Thruway Authority for the fourth quarter invoice for the period October 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005 for credit card and transaction fee expenses in the amount of \$552,918.05 noting that the cost per transaction compared to the year 2000 went down from 22 to 15.9 cents. After a brief discussion and review of the report, Chairman Sproat called for a motion to authorize the Authority, as a member of the E-ZPass New York Customer Service Center, to pay the required amount for the fourth quarter of 2005. On motion of Vice Chairman Dressel, seconded by Commissioner Paradies, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

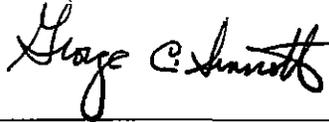
NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY**BOARD RESOLUTION**Resolution No.: 006-033Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

WHEREAS, the New York State Bridge Authority has reviewed the report relative to the payment to the New York State Thruway Authority for credit card fees and transaction fees in the amount of \$552,918.05.10 for the fourth quarter of 2005; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that this payment is hereby approved at a cost not-to-exceed \$552,918.05; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March, 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

REPORTS TO THE BOARD:1) Monthly Activity Report of the Executive Director

The Monthly Activity Report for February 2006 was submitted by the Executive Director.

Mr. Sinnott stated that there no expenses incurred to report the month of March.

Chairman Sproat requested an Attorney/Client Privilege Session to discuss litigation and personnel matters at 4:30 P.M. The regular meeting reconvened at 5:05 P.M. and with no further deliberation or comments, Chairman Sproat stated that two recommendations were submitted and discussed, in detail, by the Board and as a result voted to adopt two resolutions as follows:

On motion of Commissioner Paradies, seconded by Commissioner Teator, the following resolution regarding the Management/Confidential Retiree Health Insurance was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITYBOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 006-034

Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

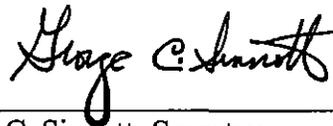
WHEREAS, it has been deemed appropriate to amend the Management/Confidential Salary Plan adopted by the Board on September 22, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the report relative to changing the service requirements with respect to eligibility for health insurance in retirement; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Management/Confidential Salary Plan is hereby amended to reflect the proposed changes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

On motion of Chairman Sproat, seconded by Vice Chairman Dressel, the following resolution regarding the Management/Confidential Compensation Plan was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY

BOARD RESOLUTION

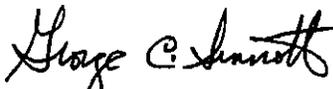
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Resolution Date: March 24, 2006

PURSUANT to the Management/Confidential Compensation Plan, recommended by the Audit Committee and adopted by the Board on September 22, 2005, the Board has reviewed, evaluated and recommended individual merit awards for each managerial employee; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to take the necessary measures to implement said rewards as of the same date that the annual revision is made to the salary schedules contained in the Authority's collective bargaining agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this resolution has been duly adopted this 24th day of March 2006.



George C. Sinnott, Secretary

At 5:15 P.M., Chairman Sproat made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Teator and approved unanimously. The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2006 at 3:00 P.M. at Headquarters.