

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

HELD AT HEADQUARTERS, HIGHLAND, N.Y. ON
August 15, 2019

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IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Gerentine, Richard A., Chairman
Higgins, Roger P, Vice Chairman
Jablonski, Diane, Commissioner
Stanton, J. Henry, Commissioner

OFFICERS:

Sullivan, Tara, Secretary
Bushek, Brian, Treasurer
Whitbeck, Carl G., Counsel

ABSENT:

Dressel, Roderick O., Commissioner

Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 3:07 pm. Chairman Gerentine called for a motion to adopt the Regular minutes of the July 18, 2019 Regular meeting. On a motion of Vice Chairman Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Jablonski, the Regular minutes of the July 18, 2019 Regular meeting were adopted unanimously.

ENGINEERING:1) Hudson Valley Bridge Standby Readiness Increase – BA-2016-RE-101-CM

Mr. Wright indicated to the Board that the Standby Readiness contract, which allows the Authority to have an on-call contractor available for emergency and priority repairs, was last awarded in December of 2015. It is a three year contract with two (2) optional one (1) year extensions. A one (1) year extension was awarded in November of 2018 and expires in December of this year. The Engineering department nearly exhausted our funds for emergency repairs for this year. The money was used for deck repairs at NBB (\$380,565), various guide rail and fence repairs (\$84,481) and crack repairs at MHB Tower expansion joint supports (\$41,800). Mr. Wright proposed to replenish the emergency repair budget with \$350,000, which is over the Capital Program approved by the Board. The overage is mainly due to NBB deck repair spending anticipated to be an additional \$200,000 and \$125,000 for deck repairs at BMB. NBB North Span deck repairs have escalated as noted below:

2016:	\$74,000
2017:	\$113,000
2018:	\$241,000
2019: (6 months)	\$381,000

Mr. Wright explained that having a contractor available for a quick response allows us to return facilities back to full service in a timely manner. A brief discussion followed regarding the need to replace the North Span of the Newburgh Beacon Bridge as the repairs are becoming more frequent and costly. Chairman Gerentine called for a motion. On a motion of Vice Chairman Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Jablonski, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY
BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 019-085

Resolution Date: August 15, 2019

WHEREAS, bids were solicited through the New York State Contract Reporter for the contract entitled "System-wide Emergency Bridge and Highway Repairs – Standby Readiness" (BA-2016-RE-101-CM) and four (4) bids were received on November 24, 2015, the low bidder being the firm of Hudson Valley Bridge (HVB) Construction; and

WHEREAS, the agreement with HVB is a three (3) year contract which allows for two (2) optional one (1) year extensions, the first of which was exercised by the Authority in November 2018; and

WHEREAS, we have nearly exhausted our emergency repair funds for this year, having performed deck repairs at NBB (\$380,565), various guide rail and barrier repairs (\$84,481) and crack repairs at Mid-Hudson Tower expansion joint supports (\$41,800); now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the contract awarded to HVB of Harriman, New York be

increased in the amount of \$350,000.00 from the amount of \$1,192,250.00 to a total contract amount of \$1,542,250.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Acting Executive Director, or her 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 15th day of August 2019.

Tara Sullivan, Secretary

2) MHB Railing and Curb Rehabilitation BA-2019-RE-117-DE

Mr. Wright informed the Board that at this time, the Authority would like to task Modjeski & Masters with the design of the railing and curb rehabilitation at the Mid-Hudson Bridge. M&M is uniquely qualified to efficiently design the rehabilitation as they designed the original deck, curb and railing system. This would be a Supplemental Agreement design assignment under their General Consultant contract. The traffic railing anchor bolts are breaking and are in need of replacement, as documented in recent inspection reports. Due to the connection detail of the railing and curb to the grid deck, in order to replace the anchor bolts, the railing must be removed and reinstalled. In addition to rehabilitating the railings and curbs, Modjeski and Masters will also design the rehabilitation work for the expansion dam metalwork and hangers at each tower. M&M supplied the Authority with a cost estimate to prepare rehabilitation plans, specifications, cost estimate and bid documents to address the noted deterioration in the amount of \$299,266.41. Chairman Gerentine called for a motion. On a motion of Vice Chairman Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Jablonski, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY
BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 019-086

Resolution Date: August 15, 2019

WHEREAS, the New York State Bridge Authority has determined it is in the public interest to award a professional services contract for the design of the “Mid-Hudson Bridge Railing and Curb Rehabilitation” project (BA-2019-RE-117-DE); and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined that our General Consultant, Modjeski & Masters, under their current term agreement, is uniquely qualified for this assignment as they performed the original design of the deck, curb and railing system and can efficiently design an adequate rehabilitated system; and

WHEREAS, the Authority’s Engineering department has reviewed and approved the cost proposal; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the New York State Bridge Authority award a Supplemental Agreement to Modjeski & Masters, Inc., of Poughkeepsie, New York to provide professional design services at a not-to-exceed cost of \$299,266.41; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Acting Executive Director, or her 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 15th day of August, 2019.

Tara Sullivan, Secretary

3) Jobs in Progress

Mr. Wright advised the Board regarding the Engineering Jobs in Progress Report for the month. Mr. Wright mentioned that the link and joint rehab work is nearly complete at the Rip-Van Winkle Bridge. The Empire State Trail at the Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge approach paving is completed and bridge work should be completed by September. I-84/9W overpass at the Newburgh-Beacon Bridge will move to the final stage within a couple of days which will allow three full lanes to be available for rush hour. Chairman Gerentine called for a motion. On a motion of Vice Chairman Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Stanton, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY
BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 019-087

Resolution Date: August 15, 2019

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director, or her 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 15th day of August 2019.

Tara Sullivan, Secretary

FINANCIAL:1) Investment Report

Mr. Bushek reviewed the monthly Investment Report noting six investments for the month. Chairman Gerentine called for a motion. On a motion of Vice Chairman Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Jablonski, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

NEW YORK STATE BRIDGE AUTHORITY
BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 019-088

Resolution Date: August 15, 2019

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 July 18, 2019; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of 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 purpose noted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Acting Executive Director, or her 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 15th day of August, 2019.

Tara Sullivan, Secretary

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:1) Unitrends Backup Server Replacement

Mr. Herd informed the Board that the IT Department has identified the purchase of an additional backup system in this year's capital program (Project ID# SI-0013). The unit will expand the system that we have in place at this time. This equipment will allow for much needed additional backup and recovery space. Mr. Herd recommended an amount not-to-exceed \$51,420.40 for the total project. This is for the purchase of the Unitrends hardware and software along with 3 years of support maintenance and installation support required for the project. Layer 3 Technologies is the lowest price of three quotes received and is a certified WBEN (Women's Business Enterprise) business. Chairman Gerentine called for a motion. On a motion of Vice Chairman Higgins, seconded by Commissioner Jablonski, the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

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BOARD RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 019-089

Resolution Date: August 15, 2019

WHEREAS, the New York State Bridge Authority has determined that additional storage space is required to back up and retain data from systems and servers; and,

WHEREAS, the Authority now seeks to replace the Unitrends primary backup server and add additional capacity to this critical system; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the New York State Bridge Authority approve a not-exceed-amount of \$51,420.40 to upgrade the existing Unitrends server and add additional capacity to the system to be purchased from Layer 3 Technologies in accordance and with their quote dated 7/26/19; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Executive Director, or their 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 15th day of August, 2019.

Tara Sullivan, Secretary

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

The Monthly Activity Report was submitted by Acting Executive Director Tara Sullivan noting no expenses for the month. No action required by the Board.

2) June 2019 Traffic and Revenue Analysis

Ms. Sullivan noted for the month of June traffic decreased .40% and revenue decreased .06%. No action was required by the Board.

3) June 2019 E-ZPass Sales Analysis

Ms. Sullivan indicated that year-to-date 2019 tag sales were 5,228, compared to 5,810 sold year-to-date 2018. No action was required by the Board.

4) Historic Bridges of the Hudson Valley (HBHV) Monthly Report for July 2019

The full monthly and detailed report was submitted to the NYSBA Board of Commissioners and submitted by the Historic Bridges of the Hudson Valley Director Kathy Burke. Chairman Gerentine and the Board took the opportunity to thank Kathy for her service and dedication. No action was required by the Board.

This concluded the regular meeting. Chairman Gerentine asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. On a motion of Commissioner Stanton, seconded by Vice Chairman Higgins and approved unanimously, the regular meeting adjourned at 3:19 P.M.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2019 at 3:00 P.M. at Headquarters.