



## Record of Meeting | January 26, 2023

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority’s (“Tollway”) Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, January 26, 2023, in the Boardroom of Tollway Headquarters in Downers Grove, Illinois. The meeting was held pursuant to the By-Laws of the Tollway upon call and notice of the meeting executed by Chair Dorothy Abreu and posted in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1, *et seq.* The meeting was open to the public.

[*Bolded entries indicate issues which may require follow-up to present or report to the Board.*]

### Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair Abreu called the meeting to order at approximately 9:35 a.m. Chair Abreu stated that given Director McConnaughay’s advance notice to the Board Secretary of her inability to attend in person due to conflicting business, and given that a quorum of the Board is physically present, in accordance with Illinois Open Meetings Act Section 7(a), a motion is requested to approve Director McConnaughay’s participation by audio conference. Director Gallagher made such a motion, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion was PASSED unanimously by voice vote. Director McConnaughay joined the Meeting via audio conference.

Chair Abreu asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Board Members Present:	Board Members Not Present:
Chair Dorothy Abreu	Governor JB Pritzker [ <i>ex officio</i> ]
Director James Connolly	Secretary Omer Osman [ <i>ex officio</i> ]
Director Alice Gallagher	
Director Jacqueline Gomez	
Director Karen McConnaughay [ <i>by phone</i> ]	
Director Scott Paddock	
Director Gary Perinar	
Director James Sweeney	



Chair Abreu stated that the newly renovated east entrance and customer service center of Tollway Headquarters was re-opened to the public this week. Chair Abreu recognized the Board, the vendors and Tollway leadership for their contributions to the project.

Chair Abreu informed Directors that District 15 Captain Jason Bradley has been promoted to Major of the Chicago Region, effective January 1, and will oversee Illinois State Police patrols throughout nine counties in Northern Illinois, including Troop 15, the district dedicated to patrolling the Illinois Tollway system. Chair Abreu stated that Captain Linda Mandat, Captain Bradley's successor, is unable to attend today's meeting, and the Illinois State Police Safety Message will be provided this month by Lt. Malissa Feld.

### **Safety Message**

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Lt. Feld emphasized the importance of obeying Illinois' Scott's Law, which requires all drivers approaching any police or other emergency vehicle stopped along the roadway to proceed with caution, change lanes if possible, and reduce speed. She then reviewed the consequences of Scott's Law violations, which include a minimum \$250 fine for a first offense, escalating to fines of up to \$10,000 and potential suspension of driving privileges. Lt. Feld also recognized the losses of Troop 15 police officers and Tollway workers who were struck and injured or killed in performance of their duties. Chair Abreu thanked Lt. Feld and Troop 15 for their efforts.

### **Public Comment**

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Chair Abreu opened the floor for public comment. No comment was offered.

### **Chair's Items**

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*Item 1: Approval of the Minutes of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held December 15, 2022.*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 1**, the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held December 15, 2022, as presented. Director Gallagher made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion was PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

*Item 2: Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held December 15, 2022.*

Chair Abreu stated that without objection, action on Chair's Item 2 will be deferred until after consideration in the Executive Session.



Item 5: Committee Reports

Chair Abreu dispensed with committee reports, noting that all Directors were present for the committee meetings.

Item 6: Additional Items

Chair Abreu, having no further items, turned the floor over to Executive Director Cassandra Rouse.

**Executive Director's Items**

Executive Director Rouse introduced a short video featuring highlights of the agency's accomplishments in 2022.

Upon completion of the video, Executive Director Rouse reported that the Tollway's I-294/I-57 Interchange Project was named "Project of the Year" in the Infrastructure category by the Construction Industry Service Corporation, which recognizes top-quality union construction projects throughout the region. Ms. Rouse stated that the project was selected for its positive impact on the community, safety record and the quality of its construction and design.

Executive Director Rouse recognized the Diversity & Strategic Development Department for its recent presentation at the Government Procurement Forum, where staff highlighted the benefits and success of the Tollway's Partnering for Growth program.

Ms. Rouse announced the promotions of longtime Tollway employees Angela Jenkins to Chief of Administration and Michael Catolico to Chief of Business Systems. Executive Director Rouse also congratulated five recently retired employees, each of whom had over 30 years of service at the Tollway, including Toll Audit Manager Fred Ross, Maintenance Section Manager Patrick Donolan, Executive Secretary in Roadway Maintenance Deborah Miller, Equipment Operator Laborer Todd Overlin and Painter Thomas Washick.

Finally, Executive Director Rouse introduced and welcomed Mike Bardou and Zachary Yack of the National Weather Service. She noted that the Tollway is being recognized by the National Weather Service as certified StormReady. Tollway Roadway Maintenance leadership including Darrion Robinson, Rohan Gayle and Joe Dragovich joined the meeting to receive the certification. Executive Director Rouse thanked the National Weather Service for the recognition and thanked the staff for keeping the Tollway System in good condition all year-round to ensure safe and efficient travel for Tollway customers.

Executive Director Rouse, having no further items to report, returned the floor to Chair Abreu.



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## Items for Consideration

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### Information Technology

Item 1: Award of Contract 22-0179 to CDW Government LLC for the purchase of Adobe Licensing, Maintenance, and Support in an amount not to exceed \$182,780.00 (Cooperative Purchase).

Item 2: Increase to Contract 22-0119 to Motorola Solutions, Inc. for the purchase of Motorola Starcom Radio Services in an amount not to exceed \$229,836.00 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 1**. Director Gallagher made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion was PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 2**. Director Gallagher made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion was PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

### Engineering

Item 1: Award of Contract I-22-4867 to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC for Substructure Removal Southbound Mile Long Bridge on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 21.1 and Mile Post 21.3 in the amount of \$2,121,212.12. [Recusal: Chair Abreu]

Item 2: Award of Contract RR-22-4865 to Western Remac, Inc. (n/k/a Western Remac, LLC) for Signing Improvements, Systemwide in the amount of \$1,200,014.40.

Item 3: Change Order / Extra Work Order on I-21-4732 to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC for Railroad Bridge Construction Union Pacific Railroad and Earthwork on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Tollway (I-490) between Franklin Avenue and South of Irving Park Road (IL-19) and the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) between Mile Post 62.00 and Mile Post 62.25 (Barrington Road) in the amount of \$2,100,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$215,682,085.43 to \$217,782,085.43. [Recusal: Chair Abreu]

Item 4: Acceptance of Proposal from Juneau Associates, Inc., P.C on Contract RR-22-4862 for Construction Management Services Upon Request, Systemwide in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000.00.

Item 5: Acceptance of Proposal from Tecma Associates, Inc. on Contract RR-22-4863 for Pavement and Structural Preservation and Rehabilitation on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access



Tollway (IL 390) between Mile Post 6.0 (Lake Street) and Mile Post 13.0 (I-290) in an amount not to exceed \$4,075,564.68. 6.

Item 6: Acceptance of Proposal from Wight & Company on Contract I-18-4420 for Supplemental Construction Management Services on the I-294 / I-57 Tri-State Tollway Mile Post 7.6 (I-57) in an amount of \$1,552,806.43, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$13,765,424.98 to \$15,318,231.41.

Item 7: Acceptance of Proposal from Alfred Benesch & Company/The Roderick Group, Inc. (dba Ardmore Roderick)/2IM Group, LLC on Contract I-17-4301 for Supplemental Design Services for Roadway Reconstruction and Widening on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 32. 3 (Saint Charles Road) and Mile Post 33.5 (North Avenue / Lake Street) in an amount of \$2,250,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$14,207,000.00 to \$16,457,000.00. [Recusal: Chair Abreu]

Item 8: Land Acquisition – Transfer of Excess Property authorization for Parcel NW-7B-12-009 located in Des Plaines, IL. Cost to Tollway: N/A.

Chair Abreu noted that she has indicated in advance her wish to recuse herself on Engineering Items 1, 3 and 7. She stated that without objection, these items would be taken first as a group.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action **Engineering Items 1, 3 and 7**. Director Gallagher made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Perinar. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gallagher, Director Perinar, Director Connolly, Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney (7)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Chair Abreu (1)

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 1, 3 and 7**. Director Gallagher made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director Perinar. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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Nays: (0)



Recusals: Chair Abreu (1)

The motion PASSED.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 2, 4, 5, 6 and 8. Director Gallagher made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Perinar. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gallagher, Director Perinar, Director Connolly, Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chair Abreu (8)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

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Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

## Legal

Chair Abreu stated that without objection, action on Legal Items 1 and 2 will be deferred until after consideration in Executive Session.

*Item 1: Authorization to enter into a Workers' Compensation Settlement - Carrie Wacker. As discussed in Executive Session.*

*Item 2: Approval of a Settlement Agreement. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive*

## Executive Session

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Chair Abreu called for a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to exceptions provided in Section 2(c)1, 8, 11 and 21 of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)1, 8, 11 and 21, to consider Tollway matters related to personnel, security, pending or probable litigation and the





minutes of closed meetings. Director Gallagher made a motion, pursuant to the sections specified, to enter Executive Session, seconded by Director Perinar. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gallagher, Director Perinar, Director Connolly, Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chair Abreu (8)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

At approximately 10:06 a.m., the Board entered into Executive Session.

### **Return from Executive Session and Action (if any)**

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At approximately 11:55 a.m., the Board re-entered the public session of the Meeting.

*Chair's Item 2: Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Board of Directors Meeting held December 15, 2022.*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 2**. Director Gallagher made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

*Legal Item 1: Authorization to enter into a Workers' Compensation Settlement - Carrie Wacker. As discussed in Executive Session.*

*Legal Item 2: Approval of a Settlement Agreement. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 1**, as discussed in Executive Session. Director Gallagher made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 2**, as discussed in Executive Session. Director Gallagher made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

### **Adjournment**

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There being no further business before the Board, Chair Abreu entertained a motion to adjourn. Director Gallagher made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.



**ILLINOIS STATE TOLL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY**

Minutes of the  
**Board of Directors Meeting**

Meeting Date  
**January 26**  
2023



The Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:57 a.m.

Minutes taken by: \_\_\_\_\_

Christi Regnery  
Board Secretary  
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority