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Minutes of the **Board of Directors Meeting** 

# Record of Meeting | May 15, 2025

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's ("Tollway") Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, May 15, 2025, 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 Chairman Arnaldo Rivera and posted in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1, *et seq.* 

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

# Call to Order / Roll Call

Chairman Rivera called the meeting to order at approximately 9:37 a.m. He then asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Board Members Present:
Director James Connolly
Director Jacqueline Gomez
Director Melissa Neddermeyer
Director Scott Paddock
Director Gary Perinar, Jr.
Director James Sweeney
Director Mark Wright
Chairman Arnaldo Rivera

Board Members Not Present: Governor JB Pritzker *[ex officio]* Acting Secretary Gia Biagi *[ex officio]* 

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

## Safety Message

Chairman Rivera invited Steve Mednis, Deputy Chief of Traffic and Incident Management, to present this month's Safety Message. Mr. Mednis described how the Agency leverages advanced technologies—such as traffic monitoring systems, incident-management tools, integrated traffic-operations platforms, and enhanced dispatch and communications—to improve safety and mobility across the Tollway network.

## Public Comment

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Chairman Rivera opened the floor for public comment.

Mr. Steve Bahnsen addressed the Board to advocate that the Tollway provide printed roadmaps at its oases near the Indiana and Wisconsin borders.

## Chairman's Items

Item 1: Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held April 17, 2025.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 1**, the minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held April 17, 2025. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

<u>Item 2</u>: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held April 17, 2025.

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

Item 3: Reaffirm votes taken during the Board of Directors Meeting of August 29, 2024.

Chairman Rivera stated that without objection, action on Chair's Item 3 will be deferred until after Executive Session.

#### Item 4: Committee Reports

Chairman Rivera dispensed with committee reports, noting that Directors were present for the committee meetings.

#### Item 5: Additional Items

On behalf of the Board, Chairman Rivera congratulated Executive Director Rouse on being named the 2025 Woman of the Year by the Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) Greater Chicago Chapter and WTS International. This prestigious award honors a leader whose exemplary contributions further WTS's mission to strengthen the transportation industry and advance women in leadership globally.

Having no further items, Chairman Rivera turned the floor over to Executive Director Cassaundra Rouse.

## **Executive Director's Items**

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Executive Director Rouse congratulated Chief Information Officer Mike Shay on being named a finalist in the Nonprofit/Public Sector category of the 2025 Chicago CIO ORBIE Awards. The ORBIE Awards recognize CIOs who demonstrate leadership excellence, innovation and measurable success in deploying technology solutions that advance their organizations. She noted that the winners will be announced on May 16, 2025.

Executive Director Rouse also introduced a video showcasing the recent spring tours for local high school students, which provided firsthand exposure to Tollway engineers and roadway managers at Tollway maintenance sites and aimed to inspire interest in future transportation careers.

#### Items for Consideration

#### Finance

<u>Item 1</u>: Award of Contract 25-0066 for the purchase of Liability Insurance Program Services from various insurance carriers through the insurance broker, Mesirow Insurance Services, Inc. (Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.) for a combined annual premium not to exceed \$6,300,000.00 for a one-year term (Order Against CMS Master Contract).

<u>Item 2</u>: Extension of Contract 21-0155 for the purchase of additional Owner-Controlled Insurance Program services from various insurance carriers for a combined additional premium not to exceed \$5,464,000.00 (Order Against CMS Master Contract).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Finance Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Finance Item 2**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

## Information Technology

<u>Item 1</u>: Award of Contract 25-0062 to Presidio Networked Solutions LLC for the purchase of a Cisco Enterprise Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$2,039,997.80 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).



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<u>Item 2</u>: Award of Contract 25-0014 to Presidio Networked Solutions LLC for the purchase of Cisco Nexus Equipment plus Maintenance and Support in an amount not to exceed \$270,012.25 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).

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Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 2**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

## Facilities & Fleet Operations

<u>Item 1</u>: Award of Contract 25-0037 to Altorfer Inc. for the purchase of Angle Blade Dozers in an amount not to exceed \$463,720.00 (Order Against CMS Master Contract).

<u>Item 2</u>: Award of Contract 24-0044R to Rush Truck Centers of Illinois, Inc. (d.b.a. Rush Truck Center, Springfield) and Patson, Inc. (d.b.a. TransChicago Truck Group) for the purchase of Medium-Duty Trucks in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,747,628.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Facilities & Fleet Operations Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Facilities & Fleet Operations 2**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

## Engineering

<u>Item 1</u>: Award of Contract I-25-2013 to Martinez Frogs, Inc. for Drainage Improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) from Mile Post 21.7 to Mile Post 21.9 (75th Street Interchange) in the amount of \$3,288,237.25.

<u>Item 2</u>: Award of Contract I-24-4981R to Foundation Mechanics, LLC for Southbound Entrance Ramp Construction on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) from Mile Post 19.9 to Mile Post 20.1 (88th/Cork Avenue) in the amount of \$3,106,106.10.



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<u>Item 3</u>: Award of Contract RR-25-4989 to Foundation Mechanics, LLC for Drainage Improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94) from Mile Post 15.0 (Atkinson Road) to Mile Post 19.0 (Townline Road) in the amount of \$5,190,497.00.

<u>Item 4</u>: Award of Contract I-24-4982 to K-Five Construction Corporation for Plaza Improvements on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) from Mile Post 54.6 (IL Route 31) to Mile Post 60.0 (IL Route 59) in the amount of \$13,339,716.35.

<u>Item 5</u>: Award of Contract RR-24-4977 to MYS, Inc. for Bridge Rehabilitation on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) from Mile Post 2.6 (Rockton Road) to Mile Post 14.5 (Rote Road) in the amount of \$2,509,872.98.

<u>Item 6</u>: Acceptance of Proposal from Lakeshore Engineering, LLC on Contract I-25-2011 for Construction Management Services Upon Request on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00.

<u>Item 7</u>: Acceptance of Proposal from HBM Engineering Group, LLC on Contract RR-21-4802 for Supplemental Design Services for Pavement and Structural Preservation and Rehabilitation on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Tollway (IL Route 390) between Mile Post 6.0 (Lake Street) and Mile Post 13.0 (I-290) in the amount of \$698,218.82, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$3,345,926.00 to \$4,044,144.82.

<u>Item 8</u>: [DEFERRED] Award of Contract 23-0144 to Avicado Construction Technology Services, LLC for the purchase of Web-Based Program Management Information System Consulting Services in an amount not to exceed \$4,838,768.40 (Tollway Request for Proposal).

Chairman Rivera noted that consideration of Engineering Item 8 would be deferred to a future meeting. He then entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 1-7. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 1-7**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

# Legal

<u>Item 1</u>: Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for costs associated with the Illinois Route 22 Bridge. Cost to the Tollway: \$0. IDOT is reimbursing the Tollway \$11,865,981.52.



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<u>Item 2</u>: Authorization to Enter into an Interim Agreement with Judlau Contracting, Inc. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

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<u>Item 3</u>: [DEFERRED] Authorization to Enter into a Settlement Agreement with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Chairman Rivera stated that action on Legal Item 2 will be deferred until after consideration in the Executive Session. He then entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

#### **Business Systems**

<u>Item 1</u>: Award of Contract 25-0065 to Soprano Design Limited for the purchase of Short Message Service ("SMS") Services in an amount not to exceed \$240,000.00 (Tollway Sole Source).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Business Systems Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

#### **Executive Session**

Chairman Rivera called for a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to exceptions provided in Section 2(c)(11) and (21) of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) and (21), to consider Tollway matters related to pending or potential litigation and the minutes of closed meetings. Director Neddermeyer made a motion, pursuant to the sections specified, to enter Executive Session, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

At approximately 9:54 a.m., the Board entered the Executive Session.

## Return from Executive Session and Action

At approximately 10:48 a.m., the Board re-entered the public session of the Meeting.

<u>Chair's Item 2</u>: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held April 17, 2025.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 2**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

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<u>Legal Item 2</u>: Authorization to Enter into an Interim Agreement with Judlau Contracting, Inc. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 2**, as discussed in the Executive Session. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

<u>Chair's Item 3</u>: Reaffirm votes taken during the Board of Directors Meeting of August 29, 2024.

Chairman Rivera read into the record the twelve agenda items approved at the August 29, 2024 as follows:

- Information Technology Item 1: Award of Contract 24-0130 to Gartner, Inc. for the purchase of IT Research and Advisory Services in an amount not to exceed \$385,215.51 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).
- Information Technology Item 2: Award of Contract 24-0146 to Presidio Networked Solutions LLC for the purchase of Cisco Network Equipment with Maintenance and Support in an amount not to exceed \$286,398.30 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).
- Information Technology Item 3: Award of Contract 24-0145 to Presidio Networked Solutions LLC for the purchase of Cisco Firewall Equipment, Maintenance, and Support in an amount not to exceed \$453,499.26 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).
- Information Technology Item 4: Award of Contract 24-0164 to Zones, LLC for the purchase of VMware Software Licenses, Maintenance, and Support in an amount not to exceed \$8,014,469.19 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).
- Information Technology Item 5: Award of Contract 24-0034 to Presidio Networked Solutions LLC for the purchase of Dell EMC Equipment, Maintenance, Support, and Services in an amount not to exceed \$21,000,000.00 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).
- Information Technology Item 6: Award of Contract 24-0162 to Carahsoft Technology Corp. for the purchase of ServiceNow Additional Subscriptions and Functionality in an amount not to exceed \$1,278,369.04 (Release Off a Multiple Award Master Contract).

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- Information Technology Item 7: Award of Contract 23-0174 to Column Case Management, LLC for the purchase of Case Management Software with Maintenance and Support in an amount not to exceed \$155,650.20 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).
- Information Technology Item 8: Award of Contract 24-0154 to National Tek Services, Inc. for the purchase of Emergency Mobile Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) Licenses in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 (Tollway Emergency).
- Engineering Item 1: Award of Contract I-24-4952 to Foundation Mechanics, LLC for Plaza Improvements on Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 2.3 and Mile Post 2.7 (Plaza 47 Halsted Street) in the amount of \$8,814,479.12.
- Engineering Item 2: Change Order / Extra Work Order on I-20-4727 to Lorig Construction Company for Roadway and Bridge Construction on Elgin O'Hare Western Access (I-490) between Mile Post 0.6 (Franklin Avenue) and Mile Post 1.0 (Illinois Route 19 (Irving Park Road)) in the amount of \$3,250,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$150,626,838.91 to \$153,876,838.91.
- Legal Item 1: Authorization to enter into a Settlement Agreement with Judlau Contracting, Inc. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Chairman Rivera noted that at the August 29, 2024 meeting, Director Wright recused himself on Legal Item 1 (the 12th item on the August 29, 2024 agenda) and is opting to similarly recuse himself on the reaffirmation of the Board's vote on Legal Item 1.

Chairman Rivera then entertained a motion to reaffirm the Board's approval of **Legal Item 1** on the August 29, 2024 Board meeting agenda. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. Chairman Rivera asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Neddermeyer, Director Gomez, Director Connolly, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney, Chairman Rivera (7)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Wright (1)

The motion PASSED.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action the remaining agenda items 1 thru 11 on the August 29, 2024 Board agenda, as read into the record. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

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The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to reaffirm the Board's approval of **Agenda Items 1 thru 11 on the August 29, 2024 Board meeting agenda**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

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## Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to adjourn. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:52 a.m.

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Minutes taken by:

Christi Regnery Board Secretary Illinois State Toll Highway Authority