



**Record of Meeting | November 17, 2022**

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority’s (“Tollway”) Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, November 17, 2022, 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 10:41 a.m. Chair Abreu asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Board Members Present:
Chair Dorothy Abreu
Director James Connolly
Director Alice Gallagher
Director Karen McConnaughay
Director Scott Paddock
Director James Sweeney
Director Gary Perinar
Secretary Omer Osman [ <i>participated briefly for vote on Engineering Item 6</i> ]

Board Members Not Present:
Governor JB Pritzker [ <i>ex officio</i> ]
Director Jacqueline Gomez

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

Chair Abreu congratulated Governor Pritzker on his re-election.

Chair Abreu, referencing the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, thanked Directors, Secretary Osman, and the Agency’s core leadership team for their engagement and insight.

Chair Abreu highlighted the recent completion of an extensive compensation study to ensure the Agency’s delivery of fair and equitable employment as well as recent updates to the Tollway By-Laws and Board committees to ensure the Agency is operationally sound.



Chair Abreu highlighted key *Move Illinois* projects and expressed appreciation for the Tollway's local and state government partners as well as Tollway patrons, emphasizing the Agency's commitment to working collaboratively to drive economic development in the region.

Chair Abreu next introduced Capt. Jason Bradley, Illinois State Police District 15, to provide a safety message.

### **Safety Message**

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Captain Bradley offered the following winter driving safety tips for those traveling during inclement weather:

- Be patient and alert. Allow extra time to get to your destination. Let someone else know your travel route and expected arrival time.
- Even if traffic appears sparse, do not drive above the speed limit or above the speed that roadway conditions allow, and increase following distance. Do not crowd snow plows.
- If possible, move over, slow down and proceed with caution when approaching stationary vehicles with emergency lights activated.
- Keep your eyes on the road, watch your speed, wear your seatbelt and do not drive after consuming alcoholic beverages.
- Dress appropriately for the weather and keep plenty of fuel in your tank in case your vehicle becomes disabled. Carry a cell phone and a charger. Have an emergency car care kit, containing jumper cables, a flashlight, an ice scraper, blankets, gloves, food, water and a first-aid kit.
- Ensure your vehicle is properly maintained and ready for winter.
- Clean ice and snow from your windshield and lights.

### **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 October 20, 2022.*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 1**, the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held October 20, 2022, as presented. Director Paddock made a motion to



approve the Minutes, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

*Item 2: Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held October 20, 2022.*

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

*Item 3: Committee Reports*

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

*Item 4: Approval of Amendments to Tollway By-laws.*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 4**. Director Paddock made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

*Item 5: Approval of Committee Assignments and Revisions to Committee Charters.*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 5**. Director Paddock made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)



The motion PASSED.

*Item 6: Approval of Organizational Chart.*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 6**. Director Paddock made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

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

### **Executive Director's Items**

Executive Director Rouse highlighted a number of recent events during which the Tollway was able to engage with stakeholders from across the region, including hosting Tollway construction project site tours for pre-engineering high school students and a transportation panel discussion hosted by the Hispanic American Construction Industry Association, which focused on opportunities and resources available for small and diverse firms. Ms. Rouse also noted the recent realization of the Tollway's first in-person *Move Illinois* Quarterly meeting since 2019, which provided the opportunity to give an update on the status of the Agency's capital program.

Executive Director Rouse announced that the Tollway is hosting a financial planning event, "Building the Road to Success," for small businesses at Malcolm X College in Chicago on November 18th. She highlighted that the event will provide advice from commercial banking industry experts and resources to support small, diverse and minority-owned companies with financial management and capital development necessary to succeed in the heavy highway construction industry.

Executive Director Rouse next introduced Inspector General T.J. Hengesbach to provide the Office of Inspector General's Semi-Annual Activity report covering the period of March 1, 2022 through August 31, 2022. [See attached report.](#)

Upon conclusion of the report, 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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### Finance

*Item 1: Amendment to Contract 19-0171 to Mesirow Insurance Services, Inc. for the purchase of Rolling Owner-Controlled Insurance Program (ROCIP) in an additional estimated premium amount of \$857,878.00. The ROCIP will provide General Liability insurance on construction contracts with small businesses on select construction projects (Order Against CMS Master Contract).*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Finance Item 1**. Director Paddock made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### Information Technology

*Item 1: Award of Contract 22-0143 to CDW Government LLC for the purchase of NetApp Hardware, Installation Services and Support and Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$1,187,200.00 (Cooperative Purchase).*

*Item 2: Award of Contract 22-0121 to Emergent, LLC for the purchase of Red Hat Software Support and Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$631,414.70 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).*

*Item 3: Award of Contract 22-0132 to CDW Government LLC for the purchase of Citrix Software Licenses plus Support and Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$219,055.00 (Cooperative Purchase).*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Information Technology Items 1-3. Director Paddock made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)



The motion PASSED.

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

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### Engineering

Item 1: Award of Contract I-21-4746 to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC for Roadway Construction on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Tollway (I-490) at Mile Post 5.75 (Touhy Avenue), in the amount of \$9,910,401.09.

Item 2: Award of Contract RR-21-9244 to John Burns Construction Company for Weigh-In-Motion Installation on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) between Mile Post 115.4 (Orchard Road) and Mile Post 120.3 (Eola Road), in the amount of \$3,228,784.36.

Item 3: Award of Contract RR-22-9267 to Meade, Inc. for Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Device Installation and Material Fabrication, Systemwide, in the amount of \$1,192,676.21.

Item 4: Award of Contract RR-22-9265 to Maintenance Coatings Company for Pavement Marking Installation on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) between Mile Post 18.9 (Kishwaukee River) and Mile Post 78.5 (Des Plaines River), in the amount of \$3,150,779.78.

Item 5: Award of Contract RR-22-9266 to RoadSafe Traffic Systems, Inc. for Pavement Marking Installation, Systemwide in the amount of \$3,883,491.00.

Item 6: Extra Work Order on I-20-4518 to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC for Roadway Reconstruction and Widening on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 19.3 (Plaza 39) and Mile Post 22.3 (75th Street), in the amount of \$840,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$74,673,399.18 to \$75,513,399.18.

Item 7: Extra Work Order on I-21-4738 to Lorig Construction Company for Railroad Track Relocation; Retaining Wall Construction; Earthwork Excavation on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Tollway (I-490) South of Grand Avenue to Irving Park Road (IL 19); Tri-State Tollway (I-





294) to Franklin Avenue; Mile Post 5.6 (Touhy Avenue IL 72) to Mile Post 5.75 (Old Higgins Road) in the amount of \$401,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$109,379,864.88 to \$109,780,864.88.

*Item 8: 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 Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) between Mile Post 62.00 and Mile Post 62.25 (Barrington Road, in the amount of \$5,745,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$215,584,837.44 to \$221,329,837.44.*

*Item 9: Acceptance of Proposal from Legat Architects, Inc. on Contract RR-21-4803 for Facilities Design Services Upon Request, Systemwide in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000.00.*

*Item 10: Award of Contract 22-0103 to Morton Salt, Inc., Cargill, Inc. and Compass Minerals America, Inc. for the purchase of Bulk Rock Salt in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$8,841,368.40 (Order Against CMS Master Contract).*

*[Secretary Osman joined the meeting by phone at this time.]*

Chair Abreu noted that she and Director Sweeney have indicated in advance their wish to recuse themselves on Engineering Item 6. She requested that this item be taken first.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 6**. Director Paddock made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Paddock, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director McConnaughay, Secretary Osman, Director Perinar (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Sweeney, Chair Abreu (2)

The motion PASSED.

Chair Abreu thanked Secretary Osman for making himself available.

*[Secretary Osman departed the meeting at this time.]*

Chair Abreu noted that she has also indicated in advance her wish to recuse herself on Engineering Items 2-5 and 7-10. She requested, without objection, that these items be taken next as a group.



Chair Abreu entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 2-5 and 7-10. Director Paddock made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Paddock, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director McConnaughay, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Chair Abreu (1)

The motion PASSED.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 2-5 and 7-10**. Director Paddock made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Paddock, Director Connolly, Director Gallagher, Director McConnaughay, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Chair Abreu (1)

The motion PASSED.

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 1**. Director Paddock made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### **Executive Session**

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Chair Abreu called for a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to exception provided in Section 2(c)21 of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)21, to consider Tollway matters related to the minutes of closed meetings. Director Paddock made a motion, pursuant to the section





specified, to enter Executive Session, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

At approximately 11:14 a.m., the Board entered into Executive Session.

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

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At approximately 11:16 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 September 15, 2022 and the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Board Meeting held October 20, 2022.*

Chair Abreu entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 2**. Director Paddock made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### **Adjournment**

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There being no further business before the Board, Chair Abreu entertained a motion to adjourn. Director Paddock made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Connolly. Chair Abreu asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.



**ILLINOIS STATE TOLL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY**

Minutes of the  
**Board of Directors Meeting**

Meeting Date  
**November 17  
2022**



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The Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:18 a.m.

*Christi Regnery*

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

Christi Regnery  
Board Secretary  
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority