

MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2020
2310 BROENING HIGHWAY, BALTIMORE, MD 21224

OPEN SESSION

Gregory Slater, Acting Chairman

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Dontae Carroll
William H. Cox, Jr. – via telephone
William Ensor III – via telephone
W. Lee Gaines
Mario J. Gangemi
Cynthia D. Penny-Ardinger, Esq.
Jeffrey S. Rosen
John F. von Paris

STAFF ATTENDING:

Lt. Col. Kevin Anderson
Percy Dangerfield
Donna DiCerbo
Jacqueline Djomo
Meryle Dunlap
Choshena Farmer
Chantelle Green
Kelly Harper
Jason Harris
Natalie Henson
Meshelle Howard
Joseph Jachelski
Col. Jerry Jones
April King
Kelly Melham
Kimberly Millender, Esq.
Tonya Morant
Mary O’Keeffe
John O’Neill
Will Pines
James F. Ports, Jr
Bradley Ryon
Kataw Say
Colin Sweetin
Tony Tabasco
Eric Willison

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Cristi Demnowicz
Ben Tabatchal

At 9:00 a.m. Acting Chair Gregory Slater called the meeting of the Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA) Board to order.

APPROVAL – OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 19, 2019

Upon motion by Member Mario Gangemi and seconded by Member W. Lee Gaines, the open meeting minutes of the MDTA Board meeting held on December 19, 2019 were unanimously approved.

RESOLUTIONS – YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNITION

Mr. James F. Ports, Jr. read the Years of Service Recognitions for the following retired employees: Ms. Joanne Coleman, Ms. Diedre Parish, and Mr. Maurice M. Saxon. On the occasion of their retirement from their distinguished careers of service, the Chairman and Members of the Maryland Transportation Authority hereby express to them their most sincere appreciation for their excellence and commitment.

APPROVAL – CONTRACT AWARD

- **Contract No. KH-3017-0000 – Remove and Replace Substation and Electrical Equipment at JFK Perryville Campus**

Ms. Donna DiCerbo requested contingent approval to execute Contract No. KH-3017-0000 – Remove and Replace Substation and Electrical Equipment at JFK Perryville Campus with The Ryan Company, Inc. in the bid amount of \$2,779,950.00.

This project is to remove and replace the existing medium voltage switchgear, transformers, switches, and feeders. This equipment is associated with supporting toll facilities, the inspection station, the scale house, and various roadway lighting. The existing system is beyond its useful lifecycle and based on recent electrical testing reports, significant components are experiencing overheating and are extremely rusted.

Upon motion by Member Mario Gangemi and seconded by Member Jeffrey Rosen, the Members unanimously gave contingent approval to execute Contract No. KH-3017-0000 – Remove and Replace Substation and Electrical Equipment at JFK Perryville Campus.

- **Contract No. MR-3015R-0000 – On-Call Upgrade and Replace Metal Traffic Barriers and Attenuators**

Ms. Donna DiCerbo requested contingent approval to execute Contract No. MR-3015R-0000 – On-Call Upgrade and Replace Metal Traffic Barriers and Attenuators with L.S. Lee, Inc. in the bid amount of \$4,423,900.00,

This contract provides for the replacement and maintenance of traffic barrier w-beam, end treatments, attenuators, and related hardware on an as-needed basis. The work on this contract is intended to be executed via on-call. The contract will cover three years of replacement and maintenance of traffic barrier w-beam and end treatments/ and attenuators.

Upon motion by Member Mario Gangemi and seconded by Member Dontae Carroll, the Members unanimously gave contingent approval to execute Contract No. MR-3015R-0000 – On-Call Upgrade and Replace Metal Traffic Barriers and Attenuators.

- **Contract No. MR-3017-0000 – On-Call Drainage and Stormwater BMP Remediation**

Ms. Donna DiCerbo requested contingent approval to execute Contract No. MR-3017-0000 – On-Call Drainage and Stormwater BMP Remediation with Brawner Builders, Inc. in the bid amount of \$4,137,941.00.

This project is to perform miscellaneous repairs, upgrades, replacements, rehabilitation, and new construction for drainage and stormwater related features. This scope of work covers storm drain systems, stormwater management devices, and other improvements in support of system preservation and meeting compliance requirements for stormwater permits related to National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES).

Upon motion by Member Mario Gangemi and seconded by W. Lee Gaines, the Members unanimously gave contingent approval to execute Contract No. MR-3017-0000 – On-Call Drainage and Stormwater BMP Remediation.

UPDATE – LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. Bradley Ryon updated the Board on legislative bills of interest to the MDTA that are moving through the General Assembly Committees thus far during this Legislative Session that convened on January 8.

Acting Chairman Gregory Slater and Executive Director James F. Ports, Jr. agreed to hear public comment after the verbal update given by Mr. Ryon. Ms. Cristi Demnowicz gave comment on E-ZPass issues related to current pending legislative bills. Ms. Demnowicz specifically mentioned House Bill 38 during her comments.

UPDATE – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mr. James F. Ports, Jr. welcomed Acting Chair and Acting Secretary of Transportation Gregory Slater. Mr. Ports then gave an update on the progress at the Bay Bridge, E-ZPass Outreach Activities in support of All Electronic Tolling (AET), the newly configured Bay Bridge Reconstruction Advisory Group (BBRAG) and updates from their January meeting, upgrading the toll gantries on the ICC, progress on the I-895 Bridge Project, the 2020 Polar Bear Plunge and the MDTA Police, and recently received awards. Lastly, Mr. Ports gave special recognition to Ms. Choshena Farmer who is a Workforce Development Administrator in our Office of Human Resources and Workforce Development.

VOTE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

At 9:45 a.m., upon motion by Member W. Lee Gaines and seconded by Member John von Paris, the Members voted unanimously to move into Closed Session under General Provisions Article, § 3-305(b)(8) and 3-305(b)(10) and (12) to receive a status update on all litigation currently pending against the MDTA; and to receive a report on certain pending criminal investigations and an overview and update on deployment of police staff and resources.

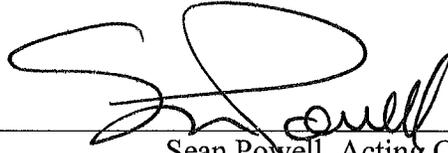
VOTE TO ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION

At 10:15 a.m., a motion was made by Member W. Lee Gaines and seconded by Member Jeffrey Rosen, which was unanimously approved, to adjourn the Closed Session and return to Open Session. There were no actions taken during the Closed Session.

There being no further business, the meeting of the MDTA Board was adjourned by consensus at 10:17 a.m.

The next MDTA Board Meeting will be held on February 27, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the Maryland Transportation Authority, 2310 Broening Highway, Baltimore MD 21224.

APPROVED AND CONCURRED IN:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sean Powell", is written over a horizontal line.

Sean Powell, Acting Chairman