MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY **HELD ON JANUARY 20, 2022** LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGINEERING DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: Wing Lau, IT Manager

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of October 28, 2001, were approved as amended.

Discussion took place regarding Self-Insurance for the Bridge. Mr. Hopkins will speak to Jeffrey Greenfield and report back to the Authority at the February Meeting.

### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield advised the Authority that he is seeking confirmation of the coverage which was bound in December as follows:

- Bridge Floater (Breitstone Agency)
- 2 year policy

First year premium:

\$147,090.00

Second year premium: \$154,445.00

 Package policy (Salerno Brokerage) bound coverage per the attached with National Union

### **Accounting Consultants Report**

Mr. Blass presented the Budget Variance Report for December 31, 2021, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

This December 31, 2021 Budget Variance Report compared the revenues and expenses for the month ended December 31, 2021 and year ended December 31, 2019.

This comparison is more relevant than comparing to December 2020 because of the Covid 19 shutdowns in 2020.

The amounts reported for revenues and expenses on this Budget Variance Report is based on the date cash was received or expended. The Audited Financial Statements will be appropriately adjusted for accruals and prepaid expenses, etc.

Revenue from Operations of \$350,326 for December 2021 was \$4,836 more than Revenues from Operations for December 2019.

Revenue from Operations of \$6,178,080 for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$156,229 or 2.47% less than the year ended December 31,2019.

Revenues from Vehicles and Books for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$114,114 or 2.16% less than the year ended December 31,2019.

Revenues from Decal Sales for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$64,720 or 12.27% less than the year ended December 31,2019.

Operating Expenses for the year ended December 31, 2021 was \$48,857 or 4.66% less than the year ended December 31,2019.

Most of this increase is due to an increase in Payroll and Related Expenses of \$140,174 or 4.49% and an increase of Insurance Cost of \$52,748 or 15.92%.

This was offset by a decrease in Utilities cost of \$23,629 or 27.14%, which was due to NCBA ongoing use of solar energy.

The cash increase for the year ended December 31, 2021 of \$1,665,095 was \$338,601 or 16.90% less than 2019.

I also prepared the 2022 Monthly Budget, which will be used as a basis for the 2022 Budget Variance Reports.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the months of October 2021, November 2021 and December 2021were ratified.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of December 2021.

The YTD overtime listing for December,2021 was up approximately 35.92% compared to December 2020.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 5:00 to discuss Disciplinary Action.

Mr. Hopkins will meet with Mr. Grasso and report back.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Ms. Elovich the Board came out of Executive Session at 5:15 p.m.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, February 17, 2022via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2022

**AMOUNT** 

LOWE'S	\$	489,95
HINCK	Ψ	5,831.16
BRINKS		1,368.15
CSEA		389.44
GREAT AMERICAN		379.00
SIGNS NOW		1,715.00
ADVANCED VIDEO		125.00
GUARDIAN		3,598.22
GLOBAL FUELING		475.37
CENTRAL LOCK & KEY		246.00
READY REFRESH		291.76
LOOKWOOD, KESSLER & BARTLETT		3,500.00
CARMELO AYALA		600.00
ADP		655.58
ALAN BLASS		1,500.00
OPTIMUM		565.94
MINUTEMAN PRESS		398.07
KATHERINE BELLAFIORE		130.00
STEPHEN OESTREICH		90.00
CHLOE MELI		45.00
PETER GERBASI		1,850.00
DELAGE LANDEN		497.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD		3,430.18
CORE BTS		41,170.52
PSEG		6,014.98
NYSIF		5,577.96
SHELTERPOINT		206.15
STAPLES		800.66
HAUGHLAND ENERGY		13,968.55
PARTS AUTHORITY		135.37
MICHAEL HOPKINS		56,820.48
SPRINT NATIONAL CRIP		251.21
NATIONAL GRID		1,729.27

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 5, 2022

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2022

**AMOUNT** 

LIBERTY	\$ 279.90
ADP	882.09
READY REFRESH	314.74
GUARDIAN	3,598.22
MULTI MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS	6,625.00
FRANK SUPPLY	269.62
MORSE & CO.	12,500.00
HARDESTY & HANOVER	449.19
SALERNO BROKERAGE	179,260.08
BREITSTONE & CO.	147,090.00
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
MINUTEMAN PRESS	627.48
CAPITAL ONE CARD	2,768.71
CSEA	389.44
OPTIMUM	565.94
ISLAND ELEVATOR	705.00
BRINKS	1,222.90
JOHNSON CONTROL	736.23
GLOBAL FUELING	586.46
N.C.B.A.	474.71
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	56,820.48
NATIONAL GRID	2,294.56
PSEG	6,182.68
GREAT AMERICAN	416.90
LOWE'S	989.76

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 5, 2022

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2022

**AMOUNT** 

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LIBERTY	\$ 82.24
STAPLES	1,124.58
MINUTEMAN PRESS	216.73
WIRE BANK OF MELLON	195,375.00
REVENUE MARKETS	2,100.00
WELDON, WILLOIAMS & LICK	3,215.65
ADP	1,287.31
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	633.54
BRINKS	1,222.90
SAFETY-KLEEN	421.93
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	334.00
READY REFRESH	291.76
APPRAISAL AFFILIATES	1,500.00
GUARDIAN	3,517.87
SPRINT	251.21
DELAGE LANDEN	497.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400,00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
KORN FERRY	2,240.00
NYSIF	5,564.18
MICHAEL HOPKINS	5,501.76
MORELAND HOSE	197.76
GLOBAL FUELING	451.75
CENTRAL LOCK	24.00
SPRAGUE	1,349.30
OPTIMUM	581.49
CAPITAL ONE CARD	1 770 02

NATIONAL GRID	2,036.59
GREAT AMERICAN	379.00
HINCK	953,40
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	55,480.98
STAPLES	353.76
DELAGE LANDEN	497.00
NYS INDUSTRIES FOR DISABLED	534.96
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	733.54
LOWE'S	158.39
COREBTS	9,200.00
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	10,184.00

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 5, 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY
HELD ON AUGUST 29, 2022 AT THE AUTHORITY
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, LAWRENCE, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, COMMISSIONER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, COMMISSIONER (Via Telephone)

ALSO

PRESENT: MICHAEL T. HOPKINS, BOARD COUNSEL

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

Chairman Nahmias called the Meeting to Order at 12:30 PM.

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- Present:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Present:

Commissioner Maidenbaum - Present:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Present:

Also Present: Michael T. Hopkins, Board Counsel and Rosemarie Evola, Deputy Manager.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Aye:

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter.

# MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

Chairman Nahmias made an official announcement that Commissioner James J. Vilardi has resigned from the Board. Chairman Nahmias thanked him for his services and wished him luck in his future endeavors.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

This Special Meeting of the Board was adjourned.

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2022

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	
NYSIF	\$ 3,694.52	2
NYS UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	8,136.00	
STAPLES	1,419.94	
BEST PRODUCTS	200.00	
OPTIMUM	584.89	
MICHAEL HOPKINS	6,753.60	
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00	
GUARDIAN	3,887.48	
CSEA	438.12	
MULTI-MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS	12,487.50	
GRAINGER	41.30	
ADP	874.1	
ALAN BLASS	1,500.0	
PETER GERBASI	1,850.0	
FRANCES RUSSO	400.0	
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	790.2	
CAPITAL ONE CARD	2,287.6	
FIVE TOWNS MASON	320.0	
SAFETY-KLEEN	540.0	. 33
SHERWIN WILLIAMS	31.3	
CIMATO & SONS	577.0	
PARTS AUTHORITY	232.7	
FIRE COMMAND	1,180.0	0
MICHAELS ELECTRIC	191.7	
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	3,311.3	7
FASTENAL	35.0	7
GLOBAL FUELING	546.0	0
SPRAGUE	1,498.9	6
CENTRAL LOCK & KEY	750.00	0
FRANK SUPPLY	297.9	4
EYEMARK MEDIA	280.00	0
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	52,245.80	0
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	379.00	0
RICHNER COMMUNICATIONS	699.00	)
MICHAELS ELECTRIC	381.57	1
SIGNS NOW	860.00	)
MAYFAIR POWER SYSTEMS	1,888.87	
WILLIAMS FENCE	110.00	
FIVE TOWNS MASON	418.50	
GLOBAL MONTELLO	2,059.71	
BRINKS	1,314.62	,

LIBERTY	200.00
SPRINT	209.88
	251.48
NATIONAL GRID	157.57
PSEG	6,264.00
CALLAHEAD	(a)
	109.50
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	166.00
DE LAGE LANDEN	218.00
HARDESTY & HANOVER	5,470.66
ISLAND ELEVATOR	5 × 5 × 5 × 5 × 5 × 5 × 5 × 5 × 5 × 5 ×
DELAGE LANDEN	765.00
	279.00
GLOBAL FUELING	546.00
LOWE'S	
N.C.B.A	2,532.93
N.C.D.A	580.51

**TOTAL** 

\$ 133,324.38

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2022

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY

HELD ON MAY 5, 2022 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT:

SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN

JAMES J. VILARDI, MEMBER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT:

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT: Wing Lau, IT Manager Michael Merola,

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Vilardi, seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of January 20, 2022, were approved as amended.

### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Insurance report from the last meeting of the Bridge Authority

- 1. Pleased to confirm the bridge authorities FEMA flood policy has been successfully renewed covering the garage with an \$1,882 premium
- 2. After the submission of an updated elevation certificate for the generator building it is resulting in a \$13,786 premium reduction for that policy after it was rerated
- 3. I have reviewed the semi-annual loss runs for workers comp with the NYS Insurance Fund and Fuery Risk Management at this time there are no open claims
- 4. The bridge authority is continuing the special property folder for the transformer annual premium \$9,630

### **Accounting Consultants Report**

### Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - May 5, 2022

Mr. Doniel Bodner, CPA, of Morse & Co., the NCBA Independent Auditor, presented the 2021 Certified Audit Report.

Revenue from Operations for 2021 was \$6,178,290 was \$1,057,176 more than 2020.

Revenue from Operations for 2020 was \$5,121,114 was \$1,214,171 less than 2019.

Revenues have substantially recovered since the height of the COVID Pandemic.

Operating Expenditures for 2021 of \$4,683,951, excluding depreciation cost of \$2,502,443, reflect a decrease of \$142,337 from 2020. This decrease was due primarily to an decrease of \$374,614 of Retirement Plan Cost. This was offset by an increase in Salary cost of \$145,798.

The Change in Net Position for 2021 decreased by \$1,352,741, which includes \$2,502,443 of 2021 depreciation costs. Otherwise, net position for 2021 increased by the difference between operation operating revenue and expenses of \$1,149,702.

The 2021 Covenant Net Revenue of \$1,628,430, which includes the Change in Net Position of (\$1,352,741) plus the Bond Interest of \$398,850 Other Post-Employment Benefits of \$748,728 and Depreciation of \$2,502,443, significantly exceeded the 2021 Aggregate Debt Service of \$668.850.

The Certified Audit Report for the year ended December 31, 2021 was approved by the Board.

Mr. Bodner reported that he will complete the Nassau County audit requirement by forwarding a copy of the report to the Nassau County Auditors, RSM, US, LLP and the Nassau County Audit Office, as required.

Mr. Blass reported that the New York State Comptroller's Office PARIS reporting will be completed by May 6, 2022.

Mr. Blass also reported on the revenues and expenses relating to the first three months of 2022.

For the first three months of 2022, Revenues from Operations total \$1,951,882, was \$28,261 or 1.43% less than revenue for the first three months of 2019. This 2022 revenue further indicates the recovery of the effects of the COVID Pandemic.

Operating Expenses for the first three months of 2022 were similar to 2021.

# **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi identified major items that have been the focus of recent discussions of the

Board. These include:

- Design for concrete repair and roadway hatch replacement resulting from items identified in the Biennial inspection report.
- Development of design options for addressing bulkhead work throughout the facility
- Toll booth upgrades associated with technology improvements.

Mr. Gerbasi also suggested that the Nassau County Bridge Authority consider directing Hardesty

& Hanover to provide a fee estimate for conducting a needs assessment and 5-year capital improvement program.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Vilardi, and unanimously carried a motion was made to name Mr. Vincent Pasqua, as Vice Chairman of the Bridge Authority.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Mr. Vilardi and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the months of January, February, March 2022 were ratified.

Upon a motion by Vice Chairman Pasqua, seconded by Mr. Vilardi a motion to accept proposal from Michael T. Hopkins & Associates PLLC for a 2-year period under terms & conditions contained in his letter dated was unanimously approved.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of March 2022.

The YTD overtime listing for March 2022 was up approximately 16.37% compared to March of 2021.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, June 9, 2022, via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

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# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2022

**AMOUNT** 

READY REFRESH	\$	12421
GUARDIAN	Ф	134.31
FORTE RTS		3,682.07
ADP		2,414.00
CSEA		607.36
PETER GERBASI		413.78
ALAN BLASS		1,850.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS		1,500.00
MORELAND HOSE		2,870.94
CAPITAL ONE CARD		120.00
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE		1,623.24
JOHNSON CONTROLS		57,773.28
OPTIMUM		736.23 580.88
SHELTER POINT LIFE		
WELDON, WILLIAMS & LICK		223.30 10,000.00
STAPLES		194.21
SPRINT		251.17
eSCREEN		140.50
PSEG		7,223.93
ARROW EXTERMINATING		97.00
NATIONAL GRID		1,589.73
NYS UNEMPLOYMENT INS.		4,663.80
NYSIF		5,557.31
PARTS AUTHORITY		18.62
SCHWING ELECTRICAL		21,68
GLOBAL FUELING		582.26
MICHAELS ELECTRIC		143.10
GRAINGER		228.21
CIMATO & SONS		185.00
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL		416.90
MINUTEMAN PRESS		627,48
BRINKS		1,314.62
MULTI LEDIA COMMUNICATIONS		13,250.00
LIBERTY		188.32
HARDESTY & HANOVER		27,699.77
DE LAGE LANDEN		218.00

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2022

DESCRIPTION	A	AMOUNT
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	\$	1,128.77
ALAN BLASS		1,500.00
CALLAHEAD		109.50
DE LAGE LANDEN		279.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS		2,767.25
MOODY'S		12,500.00
ISLAND ELEVATOR		765.00
BANK OF NY MELLON		2,750.00
PETER GERBASI		1,850.00
GUARDIAN		3,693.11
ABRZ		60.00
READY REFRESH		191.33
STAPLES		382.47
SCHWING ELECTRICAL		318.86
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES		133.44
ADP		764.99
BRINKS		1,314.62
ATLANTIC SALT		5,323.81
FROST LOCK		15.00
NYSIF		5,550.46
SCHWING ELECTRICAL		16.26
GLOBAL FUELING		967.75
NCBA		665.00
OPTIMUM		580.88
ARROW EXTERMINATING		237.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD		1,622.13
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL		416.90
TRAFFIC SYSTEMS		710.00
DELAGE LANDEN		218.00
NATIONAL GRID		1,086.39
PSEG		6,220.57
LIBERTY		249.69
MORSE & CO.		12,500.00
STAPLES		575.75
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE		50,592.00
LOWE'S		253.43
CSEA		413.78

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY

HELD ON JUNE 8, 2022 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT:

SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN

JAMES J. VILARDI, MEMBER

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

ABSENT:

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Merola, Bridge Maintenance Supervisor

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:48 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Vilardi, seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of May 5, 2022, were approved as amended.

# **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield was absent due to the fact that he was in the Hospital.

### **Accounting Consultants Report**

# Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass – June 8, 2022

Mr. Blass presented the Budget Variance Report for April 30, 2022, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

This April 2022 Budget Variance Report compared the revenues and expenses for the month and year to date April 30, 2022, with the budget for the month ended and year to date April 30 2019.

This comparison is more relevant than comparing to April 2021 because of the Covid 19 continued slow downs in 2021.

The amounts reported for revenues and expenses on the Budget Variance Report is based on the date cash was received or expended.

Revenue from Operations of \$405,339 for April 2022 was \$7,858 less than Revenues from Operations for April 2019.

Revenue from Operations of \$2,357,221 for the year ended April 30, 2022, was \$36,118 or only 1.51% less than the four months ended April 30,2019.

Revenues from Vehicles and Books for the four months ended April 30, 2022, was \$1,474,518 was only \$43,013 or 2.83% less than the four months ended April 30,2019.

Revenues from Decal Sales for the four months ended April 30, 2022, of \$833,795 was \$5,210 or 0.62% less than the four months ended April 30,2019.

Payroll costs of \$1,102,500 for the four months ended April 30, 2022, was \$178,693 or 19.34% more than the four months ended April 30,2019.

Operating Expenses for the four months ended April 30, 2022, was \$535,575 or 0.59% less than the four months ended April 30,2019.

The cash increase for the four months ended April 30, 2022, was \$527,250 was \$247,631 or 31.96% less than the four months ended April 30,2019.

### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi and Mr. Grasso presented a request to the Board to approve letting a request for proposal to address sidewalk repairs on the Bridge span walkway. The Board directed that price quotes be received and evaluated per the Authority policy. Mr. Gerbasi indicated that the bids would be received and be presented to the Board.

Mr. Gerbasi indicated that he was prepared to assist with developing and issuing the needed RFP for retaining a Toll Study Consultant

Mr. Gerbasi indicated that the next item identified for focus in the 4th quarter of 2022 would be to develop an RFP for Consulting services associated with Bulkhead repair across the Authority property.

Mr. Gerbasi also noted that in consultation with Mr. Grasso it was discussed that the NCBA should use its retainer agreement with Hardesty & Hanover to address a subsidence issue on the Southeast corner of the property that is likely the result of infiltration into Stormwater pipes. Hardesty has preliminarily indicated that a camera survey is needed and that they would get that work initiated. After the camera study and confirming which government entity owns the drainage facility, a repair could be designed or directed.

The Board of commissioners indicated that they intend to refinance the existing bonds and directed staff to obtain two proposals from the professionals required to accomplish same to guide the authority in this process.

Mr. Michael Merola Bridge Maintenance Supervisor spoke about the necessary ground improvement issues which include fencing, pipe drainage and sidewalk repair.

The Board of commissioners directed Mrs. Evola to obtain a proposal from EZ Pass for consideration by the Board to install and operate electronic toll collections.

Discussion also took place with regards to changing Bridge operation hours to eliminate overnight openings.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of April 2022.

The YTD overtime listing for April 2022 was slightly down approximately by 0.61% compared to April of 2021.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, July 21, 2022, via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

Samuel Nahmias, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2022

DESCRIPTION	<b>AMOUNT</b>
HINCK	\$ 6,888.09
GUARDIAN	4,498.34
CSEA	462.46
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
eScreen	73.06
HARDESTY & HANOVER	2,713.31
HARDESTY & HANOVER	14,352.65
BEST PRODUCTS	530.00
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
READY REFRESH	237.29
MICHAELS ELECTRIC	26.80
GLOBAL FUELING	546.00
SOUTH SHORE READY MIX	3,741.00
CIMATO & SONS	135.00
CALLAHEAD	109.50
TRIUS	1,552.70
ALTITUDE UNLIMITED	9,983.83
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	416.90
NATIONAL GRID	648.89
PSEG	5,128.30
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	53,537.09
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
NYSIF WORKERS' COMPENSATION	3,684.52
KATHLEEN QUINN	130.00
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	124.00
BRINKS	1,313.62
OPTIMUM	580.88
SPRINT	502.34
MICHAEL HOPKINS	4,999.99
FLUERY	5,598.80
ADP	607.16
STAPLES	99.11
MICHAELS ELECTRIC	674.36
FIV E TOWNS MASON	81.94
CAPITAL ONE CARD	3,502.34
LOWE'S	587.02
RASON MARERIALS	291.73
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	10,035.90

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON JULY 21, 2022

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JUNE 23, 2022 AT THE AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, LAWRENCE, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER JAMES J. VILARDI, MEMBER

**ALSO** 

PRESENT: MICHAEL T. HOPKINS, BOARD COUNSEL

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

ALAN BLASS, CPA, NCBA FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (Via Zoom)

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

Chairman Nahmias called the Special Meeting to Order at 3:07 PM.

Chairman Nahmias introduced Mr. Noah Nadelson, Chief Executive Officer and Mr. Joseph Nocerino, Vice President of Munistat Services, Inc.

Munistat Services, Inc. is a Municipal Advisory firm specializing in municipal finance and municipal government related matters.

A lengthy discussion took place regarding the refinancing of the NCBA's existing bonds.

Upon motion of Mr. Vilardi, seconded by Vice Chairman Pasqua, the Board unanimously approved and authorized, Chairman Nahmias to execute an agreement with Munistat Services, Inc. for professional services relative to developing a financial plan to size, structure and market the refunding of the NCBA Revenue Bonds Series 2010, for the fee of \$25,000 which will be incurred upon bond closing.

The Special Meeting of the Board was adjourned at 4:15 PM.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JULY 21, 2022 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT:

SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

JAMES J. VILARDI, MEMBER

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT JEFFREY GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE

PETER GERBASI. ENGINEERING CONSULTANT

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ABSENT:

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:40p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Vilardi, seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of June 8, were approved as amended.

Upon a motion by Mr. Vilardi seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried

### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield reviewed for the benefit of the new members his duties, responsibilities and successes in his role as Insurance Consultant.

Mr. Greenfield reviewed with the General Manager the outstanding questions from the insurance broker regarding the revised flood certificate.

# Accounting Consultants Report

# Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - July 21, 2022

Mr. Blass presented the Budget Variance Report for June 30, 2022, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

This June 2022 Budget Variance Report compared the revenues and expenses for the month and year to date June 30, 2022, with the budget for the month ended and year to date June 30, 2019.

This comparison is more relevant than comparing to June 2021 because of the Covid 19 continued slow downs in 2021.

The amounts reported for Revenues and Expenses on the Budget Variance Report is based on the date cash was received or expended.

Revenue from Operations of \$588,366 for June 2022 was \$12,620 more than Revenues from Operations for June 2019.

Revenue from Operations of \$3,524,554 for the six months ended June 30, 2022, was \$57,422 or only 1.60% less than the six months ended June 30,2019.

Revenues from Vehicles and Books for the six months ended June 30, 2022, was \$2,541,700 was only \$69,665 or 2.67% less than the six months ended June 30,2019.

Revenues from Decal Sales for the six months ended June 30, 2022, of \$904,460 was \$2,575 or 0.28% less than the six months ended June 30,2019.

Payroll and Related Expenses of \$1,467,384 for the six months ended June 30, 2022, was \$70,071 or 5.01% more than the six months ended June 30,2019.

Operating Expenses for the six months ended June 30, 2022, was \$698,296 was \$69,527 or 11.06% more than the six months ended June 30,2019.

The cash increase for the six months ended June 30, 2022, was \$1,261,449 was \$259,125 or 17.04% less than the six months ended June 30,2019.

# **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reported that he was in contact with other vendors to gauge interest in the toll study procurement. He indicated one, CDM Smith (with offices in Woodbury LI) was interested in submitting a proposal if the RFP was reissued.

Mr. Gerbasi indicated that he had reviewed the Construction Management, Construction Inspection and Construction Administration (CM/CI/CA) proposal received by the NCBA from Hardesty & Hanover (H&H) and that it was reasonable as presented. He also indicated that execution of the agreement should await the opening of the bids for the work and a negotiation/best and final offer request.

Mr. Gerbasi also indicated that he had reviewed and commented on the H&H proposal for the storm sewer inspection program at the south east side of the property.

# **Changing Bridge Operation Hours to Eliminate Overnight Openings**

The Board discussed changing the operating hours of the Bridge to eliminate overnight openings of the Bridge. Mr. Grasso informed the board of the process to effect that change, including public meetings for comment, evaluation of the overnight openings over the last 3 years and application to the Coast Guard. The Coast Guard informed the Authority that the process takes between 12 and 18 months.

### **Refinancing Bonds**

Mr. Grasso informed the Board that the bids for underwriting the Bond Refinancing were returned on July 19. 2022 and that the Financial Advisor had received 5 bids and were in the process of evaluating them. Counsel was directed to begin discussion with Mr. Reyes for potential retention as Bond Counsel.

### Toll and Traffic Study RFP

Counsel reported that per his discussions with Counsel at the New York State Comptroller's Office, case law indicates that it is not necessary for the Authority to conduct a Toll Study with a Traffic Engineer and submit it to the State for approval. In fact, there is no approval from the State necessary and the Board discussed conducting an actuarial study to establish parameters of any future toll schedule changes.

### **EZ Pass Implementation**

In the ongoing discussions regarding the implementation of EZ Pass at the Nassau County Bridge Authority, the Board discussed partnering with the New York State Thruway Authority instead of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Mr. Grasso informed the Board that at their prior direction he had discussed EZ Pass with Mr. Michael Perotto of the Thruway Authority and would follow up with him to reflect the Board's new direction.

### Lights on 878

Mr. Grasso informed the Board that following discussions with local officials and state elected officials, the lights on Route 878 are not the responsibility of the Nassau County Bridge Authority.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Mr. Vilardi and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of June 2022 were ratified.

Mr. Grasso presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of June 2022.

The YTD overtime listing for June 2022 was up approximately by 6.64% compared to June of 2021.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, August 18, 2022, via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

Samuel Nahmias, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 2022

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
DELAGE LANDEN	
DELAGE LANDEN	\$ 279.90
CORE BTS	218.00
TRAFFIC SYSTEMS	350.00
SALERNO BROKERAGE	472.00
JOHNSON CONTROLS	9,630.00
READY REFRESH	736.23
GLOBAL FUELING	124.89
MINUTEMAN PRESS	711.66
HARDESTY & HANOVER	639.48
HARDESTY & HANOVER	718.53
GARDEN GALLERY	4,212.05
CALLAHEAD	2,637.91
CSEA	109.50
PETER GERBASI	438.12
BEST PRODUCTS	1,850.00
LIBERTY	200.00
GUARDIAN	449.98
GRAINGER	3,836.52
CIMATO	872.04
HINCK	103.00
N.C.B.A.	24,234.15
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	569.30
PSEG	50,668.47
LOWE'S	6,182.68
GREAT AMERICAN	69.94
MMC	379.00
FORTE RTS	6,243.75
CAPITAL ONE CARD	2,367.00
SIGNS NOW	98.06
REVENUE MARKETS	1,000.00
SHELTERPOINT LIFE	2,600.00
FRANCES RUSSO	215.55
ADP	400.00 672.84
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	847.00
HARDESTY & HANOVER	6,393.65
WELDON, WILLIAMS & LICK	0,393.65 2,837.67
BRINKS	1,314.62
SPRINT	1,314.62 251.48
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JULY, 21, 2002

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON AUGUST 12, 2022 AT THE AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, LAWRENCE, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, COMMISSIONER

**ALSO** 

PRESENT: MICHAEL T. HOPKINS, BOARD COUNSEL

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER NOAH NADELSON, CEO--MUNISTAT

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, COMMISSIONER

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

Chairman Nahmias called the Special Meeting to Order at 10:05 AM.

A brief discussion took place regarding the refinancing of the Authority's existing bonds.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners executed the contract with Munistat, dated June 23, 2022, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners reviewed and accepted the Munistat Refunding Agreement, dated August 8, 2022.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approved the agreement with Faegre Drinker, dated August 2, 2022

# MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

Chairman Nahmias made an official announcement that Commissioner James J. Vilardi has resigned from the Board. Chairman Nahmias thanked him for his services and wished him luck in his future endeavors.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

This Special Meeting of the Board was adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY

HELD ON AUGUST 18, 2022 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT JEFFREY GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE PETER GERBASI. ENGINEERING CONSULTANT

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

**ALSO** 

PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR WILLIAM PETRY, NCBA EMPLOYEE

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of July 22, 2022, were approved as amended.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of July 2022, were ratified.

# **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield reported to the authority that he is working with Salerno brokerage regarding the Bridge Authority Petroleum Storage Tank Liability Policy which is scheduled to renew on October 1, 2022.

Mr. Greenfield also confirmed a 10% increase for insurance renewals is a comfortable ball park figure to budget for next year representing the state of the marketplace.

The good news is the authority locked in a 2-year insurance policy on the bridge structure with a pre-set increase less than that.

# **Accounting Consultants Report**

# Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - August 18, 2022

Mr. Blass presented the Budget Variance Report for July 31, 2022, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

This July 2022 Budget Variance Report compared the revenues and expenses for the month and year to date July 31, 2022, with the budget for the month ended and year to date July 31, 2019.

This comparison is more relevant than comparing to July 2021 because of the Covid 19 continued slow downs in 2021.

The amounts reported for Revenues and Expenses on the Budget Variance Report is based on the date cash was received or expended.

Revenue from Operations of \$657,923 for July 2022 was \$11,592 less than Revenues from Operations for June 2019 and \$21,506 more than budgeted.

Revenue from Operations of \$4,182,477 for the seven months ended July 31, 2022, was \$69,013 or only 1.62% less than the seven months ended July 31,2019 and \$112,643 more than budgeted.

Revenues from Vehicles and Books for the seven months ended July 31, 2022, was \$3,160,957 was \$99,155 or 3.04% less than the seven months ended July 31,2019 and \$125,832 more than budgeted.

Revenues from Decal Sales for the seven months ended July 31, 2022, of \$916,185 was only \$2,670 or 0.29% less than the seven months ended July 31,2019 and \$71,024 less than budgeted.

Payroll and Related Expenses of \$1,709,982 for the seven months ended July 31, 2022, was \$68,486 or 4.17% more than the seven months ended June 30,2019 and \$30,631 more than budgeted.

Operating Expenses for the seven months ended July 31, 2022, of \$786,928 was \$124,115 or 18.73% more than the seven months ended July 31,2019 and \$68,467 more than budgeted.

The cash increase for the seven months ended July 31, 2022, was \$1,588,498 was \$339,523 or 17.61% less than the seven months ended July 31,2019 and \$68,880 less than budgeted.

### **Engineering Consultants Report**

The Insurance consultant asked about any current status and/or issues with respect to the results of any Tank testing. Ms. Evola advised that she would provide annual tank tightness testing results to Mr. Greenfeld.

Mr. Gerbasi indicated that he was waiting for H&H to report on the pipe line subsidence inspection issue.

A pre-award meeting between Chesterfield & H & H will be scheduled for 8/25. During that meeting the scope of work will be reviewed and confirmed and the contractor will provide a preliminary schedule for use in evaluation of the bid.

Once the schedule is established, we will coordinate with the H&H proposal for their Construction Administration and Construction Inspection activity so that the durations are confirmed as aligned for cost.

Bridge repairs sealed bids lowest bidder was identified as Chesterfield Associates.

The Board voted for the approval of the H&H CI/CM Agreement and the Chesterfield Associates Contract.

### **Refinancing Bond**

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the firm of Raymond James & Associates was retained as Bond Counsel to refinance the 2010 revenue bonds.

### Toll and Traffic Study RFP

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried and since there is no approval with the regards to the toll increase from the State necessary the Board will retain the services of an Actuarial Services Company to study and establish parameters of any future toll schedule changes.

### **EZ Pass Implementation**

In the ongoing discussions regarding the implementation of EZ Pass at the Nassau County Bridge Authority, the Board discussed partnering with the New York State Thruway Authority instead of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority. A meeting will be set up for September 2022.

Items No's. 13, 14, and 15 were tabled to the September 2022 meeting.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of July 2022.

The YTD overtime listing for July 2022 was up approximately by 11.60% compared to July of 2021.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 3:45 p.m.to discuss Personnel issues

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried The Board came out of Executive Session at 4:30 p.m.

- RESOLVED that Michelle Bonzila is authorized to use accrued vacation time in lieu of sick leave whilst on Workers comp. leave.
- RESOVED that that the action of the chair in delivering to V. GRASSO written notice of non-renewal of his employment agreement, be and the same is hereby ratified.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, September 22, 2022, via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

Samuel Nahmias, Chairman

MINUTES OF AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON AUGUST 24, 2022 AT THE AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, LAWRENCE, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, COMMISSIONER (Zoom)

ALSO

PRESENT: MICHAEL T. HOPKINS, BOARD COUNSEL

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, COMMISSIONER

Chairman Nahmias called the Emergency Meeting to Order at 7:22PM.

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- Present:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Present:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Present:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Absent:

Also Present: Michael T. Hopkins, Board Counsel and Rosemarie Evola, Deputy Manager.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

The Board came out of Executive Session and into Regular Session.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners after discussion with counsel of the Board, suspended Vincent M. Grasso with pay, effective immediately, due to his conduct at the NCBA. Pending completion of the findings from the NCBA, this matter if appropriate will be referred to the Nassau County Comptroller's office for their independent investigation, review and recommendation.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua:

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- A ye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

This Emergency Meeting of the Board was closed.

Chairman Samuel Nahmias

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua



Commissioners Shalom S. Maidenbaum Russell Rosenthal

Nassau County Bridge Authority 160 Beach 2nd Street Lawrence, N.Y. 11559-0341 516-239-6900 Fax 516-239-6856

August 25, 2022

via email: <u>vmgrasso1172@gmail.com</u> Mr. Vincent Grasso 41 Halg Road Valley Stream, New York 11580

Re: Suspension

Sir:

As you will recall, the NCBA Board previously gave to you your one year written termination notice to align with the retirement notice which you gave to the NCBA Chair and Vice Chair.

In conformity with and at the direction of the Board of the NCBA, after discussion with counsel to the Board, I am advising you that the Board has suspended you, with pay, effective immediately due to your recent inappropriate conduct at NCBA, including but not limited to your interference with a recent review of your activities at the NCBA. Moreover, the findings of the NCBA will be referred to Nassau County Comptroller's office for their independent investigation, review and recommendation.

You are not to show up for work today. You are to immediately return all NCBA property in your possession, custody or control including but not limited to keys, fobs, your personnel file records, etc. If not already done, please call the NCBA to coordinate the return of the property.

You are not to interact with NCBA employees while on suspension. You are advised not to appear on the property of the NCBA without prior written approval of the NCBA and pending review and final recommendation of the Nassau County Comptroller.

Very truly yours,

Nassau County Bridge Authority

By:

Samuel Nahmias

Chairman

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY
HELD ON AUGUST 29, 2022 AT THE AUTHORITY
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, LAWRENCE, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, COMMISSIONER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, COMMISSIONER (Via Telephone)

ALSO

PRESENT: MICHAEL T. HOPKINS, BOARD COUNSEL

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

Chairman Nahmias called the Meeting to Order at 12:30 PM.

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- Present:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Present:

Commissioner Maidenbaum - Present:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Present:

Also Present: Michael T. Hopkins, Board Counsel and Rosemarie Evola, Deputy Manager.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Aye:

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter.

## MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

The Board came out of Executive Session and into Regular Session.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal -Aye:

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners is reaffirming the suspension of Vincent M. Grasso with pay, effective immediately, due to his conduct at the NCBA. Pending completion of the findings from the NCBA, this matter if appropriate will be referred to the Nassau County Comptroller's office for their independent investigation, review and recommendation.

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- A ye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal -Aye:

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

**RESOLVED**, the Board of Commissioners instructed Rosemarie Evola, as well as any available Board Member to execute NCBA vouchers.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Chairman Nahmias- A ye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal -Aye:

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- A ye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Ave:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal -Aye:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners approved the Engagement Letter from Faegre Drinker, dated August 17, 2022, which further details the terms of the Proposal dated August 2, 2022. Faegre Drinker will serve as Bond Counsel, subject to the assumptions and qualifications stated in the Proposal, and that their fees will not exceed \$50,000, as set forth in the Proposal. Further, Faegre Drinker will not bill the Authority for fees if the Authority elects not to go through with the bonding as described in the proposal.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER Rosenthal, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- A ye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye: Commissioner Rosenthal -Aye:

This meeting was adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY

HELD ON SEPTEMBER 22, 2022 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER MONICA MCGRATH, MEMBER

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT JEFFREY GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE

PETER GERBASI. ENGINEERING CONSULTANT

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

**ALSO** 

PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

WILLIAM PETRY, NCBA EMPLOYEE ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL MANAGER MICHAEL KOLB – GANNETT FLEMING PHIL DE BECKER – GANNETT FLEMING

RAYMOND WEBB

Chairman Nahmias called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m..

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of August 18, 2022, were approved as amended.

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of August 2022, were ratified.

Chairman Nahmias and Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua welcomed Ms. Monica McGrath as a new member to the Board.

Representatives from the engineering firm Gannet Fleming, Mr. Phil De Becker and

Mr. Michael Kolb gave a presentation regarding their firm and its qualifications in the areas of Bridge Facilities and Tolling. They also briefed the Commissioners about their initial impressions regarding a path forward to address the refurbishment of the NCBA's Toll Plaza and upgrading the Authority's tolling system to EZ Pass.

## **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield, Insurance consultant reported that the only outstanding item is the recommendation he sent to The Authority in May of 2022 from the Glatfelter Public Practice Risk Assessment. A copy has been supplied to Ms. Evola for follow up.

## **Accounting Consultants Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass -September 22, 2022

 $\mbox{Mr.}$  Blass advised that he reviewed and approved the 2023 budget, as prepared by Rosemarie Evola .

Revenue for 2023 is budgeted at \$6,300,000, which is the same as the estimated amount for 2022.

Salary was estimated for 2023 based on an 8% increase from 2021.

Employee Benefits was estimated for 2023 based on a 10% increase from 2021.

Most of the remaining 2023 expenses were based on a 10% to 20% increase from the estimated amount of 2021, based on anticipated increases due to inflation.

The bank covenant requires revenues in excess of expenditures to be the total principal and interest payment of \$674,550 for 2023.

The expenditures for this purpose exclude non-cash expenses including depreciation, other post-employment benefit and interest.

The estimated net revenues for 2023, excluding the non-cash expenses, are estimated at \$1,332,586, far exceeding the required margin of \$674,550.

Mr. Blass will be uploading the 2023 NCBA Budget onto the PARIS system by 09-30-22, as required.

Mr. Blass also presented the Budget Variance Report for August 31, 2022, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

This August 2022 Budget Variance Report compared the revenues and expenses for the month and year to date August 31, 2022, with the budget for the month ended and year to date August 31, 2019.

This comparison is more relevant than comparing to August 2021 because of the Covid 19 continued slow downs in 2021.

The amounts reported for Revenues and Expenses on the Budget Variance Report is based on the date cash was received or expended.

Revenue from Operations of \$597,901 for August 2022 was \$9,963 less than Revenues from Operations for August 2019 and \$109,755 less than budgeted.

Revenue from Operations of \$4,780,378 for the eight months ended August 31, 2022, was \$78,976 or only 1.63% less than the eight months ended August 31,2019 and \$1,978 more than budgeted.

Revenues from Vehicles and Books for the eight months ended August 31, 2022, was \$3,732,563 was \$114,677 or 2.98% less than the eight months ended August 31,2019 and \$2,732,563 more than budgeted.

Revenues from Decal Sales for the eight months ended August 31, 2022, of \$ 922,840 was only \$2,910 or 0.31% less than the eight months ended August 31,2019 and \$68,569 less than budgeted.

Payroll and Related Expenses of \$1,962,601 for the eight months ended August 31, 2022, was \$79,559 or 4.23% more than the eight months ended August 31,2019 and \$37,478 more than budgeted.

Operating Expenses for the eight months ended August 31, 2022, of \$841,090 was \$139,418 or 19.87% more than the eight months ended August 31,2019 and \$77,517 more than budgeted.

The cash increase for the eight months ended August 31, 2022, was \$1,888,296 was \$167,718 or 8.16% less than the eight months ended August 31,2019 and \$40,529 less than budgeted.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

A presentation and discussion was undertaken with representatives of Gannett Fleming (GF) regarding work on the Ez-Pass tolling system. Ms. Evola noted that GF and others are capable of providing additional assistance with toll system work/maintenance but that the use of this firm would be expedient but would require that the commissioners declare an emergency for the purpose of this procurement.

Additional discussion was had that discussed the Scope of Work for any potential RFP for Easy Pass implementation.

Mr. Gerbasi discussed that the Chesterfield Associates Contract needed to be executed. Counsel indicated that he would review the document as a final review prior to informing the Chairman that it is appropriate to execute.

It was also discussed that the NCBA received all bonds and other paperwork. Once a complete document file is received it should be sent to Counsel (Michael Hopkins). Mr. Greenfield also requested that he be given all of Chesterfield insurance certificates for review.

Mr. Gerbasi indicated that work on an RFP for bulkhead renovation/repairs has been paused as the tolling system implementation and the Chesterfield Structural Repair Contracts are underway and a third Contract could have a negative impact on operations.

Mr. Pasqua directed Mr. Gerbasi to reach out to and coordinate with Chesterfield to establish a budget for the bulkhead upgrade, shoreline restoration and other associated repairs.

The Commissioners noted that the Atlantic Beach Rescue Fire House had subsidence in the area of a fence/gate. Mr. Gerbasi noted that the ABFR might have a property maintenance obligation under their lease. The Commissioners tasked Mr. Hopkins to confirm that the obligation exists in the lease.

Mr. Greenfield also requested that a request be made directly to the ABFR for them to supply their lease required current Certificates of Insurance. Further, the ABFR should be reminded of their obligation to submit the COI and other documents annually.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried The Board voted to accept the revised 2023 annual Budget of Operations.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Financials/Traffic Statistics for the month of August 2022.

The YTD overtime listing for August 2022 was up approximately by 15.43% compared to August of 2021.

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum, seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 1:00 p.m.to discuss Personnel and legal matters.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board came out of Executive Session at 1:35p.m.

- Resolved that the Chairman and the Board of Commissioner's executed a Consulting Agreement with Mr. Raymond Webb for one year commencing October 3, 2022. Terms of the agreement are annexed to the Minutes.
- Resolved that the Chairman and Board of Commissioners executed a Memorandum of Agreement for Maintenance Helper, William Petry by changing his title to Maintainer and raising the salary for his new position by \$5,000.00, pending Civil Service approval.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, October 20, 2022.

Samuel Nahmias, Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2022

DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
GUARDIAN		\$ 4,407.32
CIMATO & SONS		2,100.00
ADP		1,039.33
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND		438.12
MINUTEMAN PRESS		1,486.74
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE		53,030.84
ARROW EXTERMINATING		343.70
CAPITAL ONE CARD		2,084.11
HARDESTY & HANOVER		1,846.63
STAPLES		489.45
PETER GERBSI		1,850.00
ALAN BLASS		1,500.00
DE LAGE LANDEN	at the state of th	279.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS		5,765.00
WIRE BANK OF NY MELLON		475,375.00
FRANCES RUSSO	TV.	400.00
OPTIMUM		584.85
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL		379.00
MONTILLI PLUMBING		600.00
TOOLS RENTAL		102.18
RICHNER COMMUNICATION		267.40
NYSIF		3,998.54
SPRINT		253.02
NATIONAL GRID		181.78
PSEG		5,944.60
LONG ISLAND WASTE OIL		275.00
ULTIMATE CAR & TRUCK		330.00
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT		9,695.70
	TOTAL	\$575,047.85

MEETING OF OCTOBER 20, 2022

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON OCTOBER 7, 2022 AT THE AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, LAWRENCE, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN MONICA MCGRATH, COMMISSIONER

**ALSO** 

PRESENT: MICHAEL T. HOPKINS, BOARD COUNSEL

RAYMOND J. WEBB, EXECUITVE CONSULTANT

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

ABSENT: SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, COMMISSIONER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, COMMISSIONER

Chairman Nahmias called the Special Meeting to Order at 11:00 AM.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Monica McGrath-Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Absent:

Commissioner Shalom Maidenbaum-Absent:

Also Present: Michael T. Hopkins, Board Counsel, Raymond J. Webb, Executive Consultant and Rosemarie Evola, Deputy Manager.

MOTION BY VIICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER McGrath:

**ROLL CALL:** 

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner McGrath-Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Absent:

Commissioner Maidenbaum-Absent:

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter.

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER McGrath, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua:

The Board came out of Executive Session and into Regular Session.

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner McGrath-Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal -Absent:

Commissioner Maidenbaum-Absent:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER McGrath, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua:

**RESOLVED**, the Board of Commissioners approved retaining Albert D'Agostino of the law firm of Minerva & D'Agostino as Labor Counsel at an hourly rate of \$325.00/hour.

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner McGrath -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Absent:

Commissioner Maidenbaum-Absent:

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER McGrath:

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Ave:

Commissioner Maidenbaum -Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

This Special Meeting of the Board was adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON, OCTOBER 20, 2022 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT:

SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN

MONICA MCGRATH, MEMBER ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT/VIA ZOOM PETER GERBASI. ENGINEERING CONSULTANT ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT:

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR JEFFREY GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE

**ALSO** 

PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL MANAGER RAYMOND WEBB WING LAU

Chairman Nahmias called the meeting to order at: 7:43 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of September 22, 2022, and minutes of Special Meeting of October 7, 2022, were approved as amended.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye
Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of September 2022, were ratified.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye

Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

## **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield had advised the Authority in advance of the meeting that he was able to get a 30-day extension on the insurance so the Commissioners could vote at the October 20, 2022, meeting.

Mr. Greenfield also advised the Authority that there are no other options due to the age of the tanks. The increase in premium is also due to the age of tanks.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the Board accepted the renewal of the Storage Tank Insurance Policy at a cost of \$5,615.66 with a \$25,000.00 deductible.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

#### **Accounting Consultants Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - October 20, 2022

Mr. Blass advised that the 2023 PARIS Budget Report was completed and submitted to the New York State Comptroller's Office.

Mr. Blass presented preliminary calculations related to the NCBA toll increase scheduled for January 2023 for the five-year period 2023 to 2027.

There was discussion about the additional cost that need to be included in the calculation, including EZ Pass implementation cost and annual transaction cost, toll plaza improvements and the estimated capital costs as adjusted for anticipated inflation.

Mr. Blass will be updating the 2023 Toll Increase calculations, which will be presented at the November Board Meeting.

Mr. Blass also presented the Budget Variance Report for September 30, 2022, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

This September 2022 Budget Variance Report compared the revenues and expenses for the month and year to date September 30, 2022, with the budget for the month ended and year to date September 30, 2019.

This comparison is more relevant than comparing to September 2021 because of the Covid 19 continued slow downs in 2021.

The amounts reported for Revenues and Expenses on the Budget Variance Report is based on the date cash was received or expended.

Revenue from Operations of \$438,790 for September 2022 was \$7,793 more than Revenues from Operations for September 2019 and \$35,410 less than budgeted.

Revenue from Operations of \$5,219,169 for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, was \$71,183 or only 1.35% less than the nine months ended September 30,2019 and \$33,250 less than budgeted.

Revenues from Vehicles and Books for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, was \$4,155,095 was \$111,422 or 2.61% less than the nine months ended September 30,2019 and \$38,474 less than budgeted.

Revenues from Decal Sales for the nine months ended Sep 30, 2022, of \$ 927,780 was only \$2,205 or 0.23% less than the nine months ended September 30,2019 and \$66,970 less than budgeted.

Payroll and Related Expenses of \$2,301,553 for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, was \$181,709 or 8.57% more than the nine months ended September 30,2019 and \$104,320 more than budgeted.

Operating Expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, of \$869,804 was \$125,552 or 16.87% more than the nine months ended September 30,2019 and \$58,319 more than budgeted.

The cash increase for the nine months ended September 30, 2022, was \$1,778,073 was \$453,367 or 20.32 less than the nine months ended September 30,2019 and \$317,594 less than budgeted.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reported on and discussed the following items:

- Chesterfield Contract request for delayed start date to Spring of 2023 to prevent work requirements during the winter. The Board indicated that they did not have an objection to this request.
- Intention to delay procurement for planning/design of Bulkhead Repair until Toll Plaza/EZ Pass implementation has been completed.
- Discussed the options for removal of the two existing underground storage tanks (UST) removal. M. Gerbasi stated that UST removal would be appropriate and indicated he would provide firms that would be likely bidders for fueling system removal.
- Mr. Gerbasi also offered to provide support to the Authority in establishing a
  realistic inflation rate for bridge operations and bridge construction activities by
  providing existing documents that are used in cost estimating and construction
  management projects.

Mr. Gerbasi discussed the possibility to accommodate Nassau County's request for contractor lay down area. He suggested that Chesterfield Contract delay might allow for the Authority to rent out space and not interfere with the bridge structure repair work.

The Bid Opening for the 2023 Pass Cards took place on Thursday September 29, 2022. Present at the opening was Ms. Evola Deputy Manager, Wing Lau IT Manager and Ms. Vandenberg Human Resources.

Two Bids were received, Card USA Inc. \$36,400.00 and Weldon, Williams & Lick \$30,062.50.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua and seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the Board accepted the proposal by Weldon, Williams & Lick at \$30,062.50.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye
Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Financials/Traffic Statistics for the month of September 2022.

The YTD overtime listing for September 2022 was up approximately by 19.30% compared to September of 2021.

Discussion took place regarding the updated proposed 2023 NCBA Proposed Toll Increase.

Upon a motion by Mr. Nahmias seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried the Board approved the Proposed Toll Increase for the NCBA Bridge Toll.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye
Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Discussion took place regarding the Declaration of Emergency re: EZ Pass Implementation.

Upon a motion by Mr. Nahmias seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried the Board approved the Declaration of Emergency regarding the Implementation of EZ Pass.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye
Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Upon a motion by Mr. Nahmias seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried the Board approved Monica McGrath as an additional Designated Signer.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye
Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Upon a motion by Mr. Nahmias seconded by Mr. Pasqua and unanimously carried the Board approved the Replacement and Repairs needed to the NCBA Fleet Trucks and Vehicles.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye
Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 8:30 p.m.to discuss Personnel and legal matters.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye
Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the Board came out of Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

• Resolved that the Chairman and the Board of Commissioners executed the hiring of two additional laborers /Maintenance Helpers.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, November 17, 2022.

Chairman Samuel Nahmias

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 20, 2022

DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
ARROW EXTERMINATING	\$	242.70
STAPLES	Φ	343.70 300.07
FORTE RTS		
DELL MARKETING		2,367.00
MMC		783.00
WELDON, WILLIAMS & LICK		8,312.00
AVS		6,000.00
MICHAELS ELECTRICAL		8,215.90
RUSSO RECYCLING		489.40
CENTRAL LOCK & KEY		50.00
GLOBAL FUELING		50.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATION		615.50
DE LAGE LANDEN		105.00
READY REFRESH		218.00
LIBERTY		699.47
GUARDIAN		241.27
BRINKS		3,732.55
eSCREEN		1,314.62
CSEA		90.25
HARDESTY & HANOVER		316.42
RAYMOND WEBB		2,504.23 2,750.00
SALERNO BROKERAGE		425.46
LOWE'S		102.22
SIGNS NOW		560.00
ULTIMATE CAR & TRUCK		1,400.00
JOHNSON CONTROLS		736.23
STAPLES		6,803.23
SPRINT	*	251.34
PSEG		4,829.37
MINUTEMAN PRESS		735.00
PETER GERBASI		1,850.00
MY FRIENDS ROOFING		1,000.00
GLOBAL FUELING SYSTEMS		1,171.50
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE		52,638.32
eSCREEN		150.76
NATIONAL GRID		207.45
GRAINGER		585.46
OPTIMUM		583.07
BEST PRODUCTS		265.00
DELAGE LANDEN		218.00
BRINKS		1,446.08
NYSIF		4,022.86
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL		379.00
ADP		672.58

ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS	5,828.00
NYS UNEMPLOYMENT	4,536.00
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	829.04
FRANK SUPPLY	144.94
SHELTER POINT	232.50
CAPITAL ONE CARD	1,960.00
WATER SUPPLY	149.79
RAYMOND WEBB	

TOTAL \$141,212.08

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 20, 2022

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON OCTOBER 31, 2022 AT THE AUTHORITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, LAWRENCE, NEW YORK.

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, COMMISSIONER

MONICA MCGRATH, COMMISSIONER (VIA ZOOM)

ALSO

PRESENT: MICHAEL T. HOPKINS, BOARD COUNSEL

RAYMOND J. WEBB, EXECUITVE CONSULTANT ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

JOHN E. RYAN, ESQ.

ABSENT: SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, COMMISSIONER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, COMMISSIONER

Chairman Nahmias called the Special Meeting to Order at 7:06 PM.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Commissioner Monica McGrath-Aye: (via Zoom)

Commissioner Shalom Maidenbaum-Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Absent:

Also Present: Michael T. Hopkins, Board Counsel, Raymond J. Webb, Executive Consultant and Rosemarie Evola, Deputy Manager, and John E. Ryan, Esq..

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

To go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel and Litigation Matters.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner McGrath-Aye: (Via Zoom)

Commissioner Rosenthal- Absent:

Commissioner Maidenbaum-Aye:

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss Personnel and Legal Matters.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

The Board came out of Executive Session and into Regular Session.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner McGrath-Aye: (Via Zoom)

Commissioner Rosenthal -Absent:

Commissioner Maidenbaum-Aye:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua:

RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners approved retaining the law firm of Ryan, Brennan & Donnelly, LLP in the matter of Nassau Bridge Authority claim against Vincent Grasso at an hourly rate of \$300.00/hour plus disbursements.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Chairman Nahmias- Aye:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner Maidenbaum-Aye:

Commissioner Rosenthal- Absent

Commissioner McGrath—abstained from voting via Zoom.

MOTION BY VICE CHAIRMAN Pasqua, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER Maidenbaum:

To close the Meeting.

#### ROLL CALL:

Chairman Nahmias- Ave:

Vice Chairman Pasqua- Aye:

Commissioner McGrath -Aye: (Via Zoom) Commissioner Rosenthal Absent:

Commissioner Maidenbaum—Aye:

This Special Meeting of the Board was adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON, NOVEMBER 17, 2022 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER MONICA MCGRATH, MEMBER MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

PETER GERBASI. ENGINEERING CONSULTANT

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

JEFFREY GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT/VIA ZOOM

**ALSO** 

PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL MANAGER

RAYMOND WEBB JOHN RYAN, ESQ.

CHRISTOPHER MC GRATH

Chairman Nahmias called the meeting to order at: 6:40 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of October 20, 2022, were approved as amended.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Mr. Nahmias and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 6:50 to discuss personnel and legal issues.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Mr. Nahmias and unanimously carried the Board came out of Executive Session at 7:20. issues.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

## **Insurance Consultants Report**

## **Accounting Consultants Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - November 17, 2022

Mr. Blass presented the Budget Variance Report for October 31, 2022, which was included with the package of meeting material presented to the Board.

The October 2022 Budget Variance Report compared the revenues and expenses for the month and year to date October 31, 2021.

The amounts reported for Revenue and Expenses on the Budget Variance Report is based on the date cash was received or expended.

Revenue from Operations of \$383,113 for October 2022 was \$32,620 less than Revenues from Operations for October 2021 and \$9,752 more than budgeted.

Revenue from Operations of \$5,602,282 for the ten months ended October 31, 2022, was \$137,049 or 2.51% more than the ten months ended October 31, 2021, and \$23,498 less than budgeted.

Revenues from Vehicles and Books for the ten months ended October 31, 2022, was \$4,513,032 was \$31, 617 or 0.71% more than the ten months ended October 31, 2019, and \$43,034 less than budgeted.

Revenues from Decal Sales for the ten months ended October 31, 2022, of \$929,464 was \$64,245 or 7.43% more than the ten months ended October 31, 2021, and \$68,149 less than budgeted.

Payroll and related Expenses of \$2,533,823 for the ten months ended October 31, 2022, was \$4,064 or only).16% more than the ten months ended October 31, 2021, and \$108,685 more than budgeted.

Operating expenses for the ten months ended October of \$933,827 was \$25,965 or \$2.86% more than the ten months ended October 31, 2019, and \$77,28 more than budgeted.

The cash increase for the ten months ended October 31, 2022, was \$1,869,866 was \$95,860 or 5.40% more than the ten months ended October 31, 2021 and \$139,344 less than budgeted.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reminded the board that a solicitation for sitewide bulkhead improvements was on hold until decisions are made regarding the toll plaza improvements.

Mr. Gerbasi also requested that he be sent any reports on the investigation into the ground subsidence on the South East side of the bridge.

Mr. Gerbasi reported that he was working with Mr. Webb providing review services for the two proposals received by the Authority to date regarding EzPass implementation. He also indicated that he was available to address any additional proposals received.

## **Executive Consultants Report**

Mr. Raymond Webb, spoke on the Radio Communications System.

Mr. Webb presented a current assessment of the Bridge's radio communication system. The conclusion is that the current system is obsolete and unserviceable.

As such, Mr. Webb proposed that the NCBA consider the procurement of a new comprehensive, state of art system for both bridge operations and safety.

A no bid procurement using a New York State OGS Vendor, Eastern Communications, was considered at a cost of \$29,814.76 to the Authority.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the Board approved the Radio Communications System from the New York State Vendor, Eastern Communications at a cost of \$29,814.76

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias-Aye

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua-Aye Member: Monica McGrath-Aye

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Financials/Traffic Statistics for the month of October 2022.

The YTD overtime listing for October 2022 was up approximately by 15.62 % compared to September of 2021.

Discussion took place regarding the updated proposed 2023 NCBA Proposed Toll Increase. Toll rates will be announced January 1, 2023, Via Press Release.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority was tentatively set for Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 6;30 P.m.

Upon a motion Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the Board closed this meeting.

Chairman Samuel Nahmias

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBR 17, 2022

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
ADP	\$ 806.48
STAPLES	368.61
GRAINGER	73.68
GUARDIAN	3,983.06
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
MMC	4,500.00
CSEA Employee Fund	389.44
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL	1,786.93
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
PRECISION PAINTING	10,750.00
ALL HOURS ENERGY	875.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS	3,726.26
READY REFRESH	269.79
N.C.B.A.	647.13
FASTENAL	577.94
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	848.78
RAYMOND WEBB	5,500.00
SPRINT	373.16
PSEG	4,251.80
BUSINESS RADIO LICENSE	110.00
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	416.90
NATIONAL GRID	955.67
WILLIAM PETRY	25.38
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	50,003.72
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
OPTIMUM	583.07
NYSIF	4,019.82
BRINKS	1,446.08
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD	1,953.90
ISLAND ELEVATOR	765.00
ARROW EXT.	241.85
MICHAEL HOPKINS	3,670.08
RICHNER COMMUNICATIONS	105.00
STAPLES	484.23
ALTITUDE UBLIMITED	5,282.99
CIMATO & SONS	331.00
LOWE'S	4,092.26
MICHAELS ELECTRIC	1,208.19
GLOBAL FUELING	577.75
NYS RETIREMENT SYSTEM	238,687.00

JOHN WOITOVICH RAYMOND WEBB

1,400.00 5,500.00

RAYMOND WEBB

TOTAL \$365,896.01

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2022

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON, DECEMBER 15, 2022 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT:

SAMUEL NAHMIAS, CHAIRMAN VINCENT PASQUA, VICE CHAIRMAN MONICA MCGRATH, MEMBER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT PETER GERBASI, ENGINEERING CONSULTANT SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ABSENT:

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR JEFFREY GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE (EXCUSED ABSENCE)

**ALSO** 

PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR RAYMOND WEBB

Chairman Nahmias called the meeting to order at: 6:40 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of November 17<sup>th</sup> were approved as amended.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua
Member: Monica McGrath

Discussion took place regarding the updated proposed 2023 to 2027 NCBA Proposed Toll Increase.

Upon a motion by Mr. Nahmias seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the proposed Toll Increase for 2023 to 2027 was unanimously approved as follows:

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua Member: Monica McGrath

LEGAL NOTICE
NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY
LAWRENCE, NEW YORK
NOTICE OF TOLL RATE SCHEDULE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the New York State Public Authorities Law, The Nassau County Bridge Authority on November 17, 2022 established the following toll rates effective January 1, 2023 For the Atlantic Beach Bridge.

Classification Rate:	Curre Rate:		New Rate:	
Effective January 1, 2023 – All Passenger Vehicles:	\$	2.00	\$	3.00
Once E-Z Pass is implemented				
1. Passenger Vehicles – Registered within the confines of the County of Nassau will remain at: remain at:	\$	2.00	\$	3.00
2. Passenger Vehicles – Registered outside the Confines of the County of Nassau will increase to:	\$	2.00	\$	4.00
3. Cash Transactions-for All Passenger Vehicles not Utilizing E-Z Pass will increase to:	\$	2.00	\$	4.00
4. All Buses:	\$	0.50	\$	3.00
5. Commercial Vans & Small Trucks (gross weight under 10,000 pounds -estimated axle count 2):	\$	4.00	\$	8.00
6. Medium-sized Trucks: (gross weight 10,001 to 26,000 pounds-estimated axle count 3): 7. Heavy Trucks:	\$	6.00	\$	12.00

(gross weight of 26,001 pounds and over – estimated Axle count 4 and over):	\$ 8.00	\$ 16.00
8. 20 Trip Pass Cards (Valid for Calendar Year 2023 only):	\$ 15.00	\$ 30.00
9. Decal Renewals for 2023 Passenger Vehicles registered within the confines of Nassau County	\$ 130.00	n/a
10. Decal Renewals 2023 Passenger Vehicles registered outside confines of Nassau County:	\$ 175.00	n/a
11. New Annual Decals- Passenger Vehicles Registered within confines of Nassau County:	\$ 130.00	\$ 199.00
12. New Annual Decals –Passenger Vehicles Registered outside confines of Nassau County	\$ 175.00	\$ 349.00
13. Transfer Fee:	\$ 25.00	\$ 40.00

#### Conditions:

1. There will be no refund or credit in the event of Loss or theft of the Annual Decal or the 20 Trip Pass Card, or for the Unused 20 Trip Pass card or Discontinued Use of the Annual Decal.

- 2. Pass Cards and Decals will be discontinued end of Calendar year 2023.
- 3. The Authority may permit Toll-Free Passage for any persons or vehicles required to cross the Bridge on Official Business as it shall determine proper in its discretion.

Dated December 1, 2022 Nassau County Bridge Authority Lawrence, NY 11559 Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of November 2022, were ratified.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua Member: Monica McGrath

## **Insurance Consultants Report**

- Mr. Greenfield worked with Ms. Evola regarding the renewal bridge application from Breitstone.
- He also reviewed with Ms. Evola the cyber security policy application questionnaire and spoke to Nicole Morton at Salerno Brokerage regarding the numbers.
- Secured limited coverage for pending litigation under the bridge Authorities' insurance policy.

## **Accounting Consultants Report**

Minutes of Board Meeting – December 15, 2022 - Final Consultant Report – Alan I. Blass, CPA, CFE

Mr. Blass reported that he worked very closely with the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Deputy Manager and Engineering Firm to calculate the additional revenue required by NCBA during the period 2023 to 2027 to pay for the increased payroll, operating and capital costs, considering the current bridge ridership, the implementation of EZ Pass, estimated costs and inflation. Accordingly, he stated that it is his opinion that the relating 2023 to 2027 toll increases, which have not been increased in 17 years, are fair, reasonable, and sufficient to pay for the improvements and quality of service planned during the next five years.

### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reminded the Board that a solicitation for site wide bulkhead improvements remains on hold until decisions are made other priorities such as the toll plaza improvements and EZ Pass implementation.

Mr. Gerbasi also requested that he review any reports on the status of the investigation into the ground subsidence adjacent to existing drainage structures on the South East side of the bridge property.

Mr. Gerbasi reported that he was continuing to support Mr. Webb providing review services for the various proposals received by the authority regarding EzPass implementation. He indicated that he supports the presentation of the firm TRMI to the Board for a vote to obtain

approval to engage with TRMI in Contract discussions.

Mr. Gerbasi also indicated that he was available to address any additional proposals or technical documents received.

**Executive Consultants Report** 

Executive Director Raymond Webb provided a brief description on the current condition of the toll plaza and an update on the search for a structural engineering firm that was conducted

in December.

After receiving three cost proposals in December, The Executive Director recommends that the NCBA award Cameron Engineering the work to perform the assessment at a cost of

\$14,500.00.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried The Board approved the award of the Toll Plaza Structural Assessment to Cameron Engineering at a cost of \$14,500.00.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua

Member: Monica McGrath

Executive Director Raymond Webb also spoke on EZ Pass Vendor Selection. His recommendation to the Board was The Revenue Market Inc. (TRMI).

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried The Board approved the award of the EZ Pass vendor to The Revenue Market Inc. (TRMI). Contract and Insurance Documents will be forthcoming.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias

Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua

Member: Monica McGrath

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Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board approved the additional Designated Signers (Monica Mc Grath and Raymond Webb with regards to the Vouchers.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua
Member:Monica McGrath

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Monica McGrath the Board approved the continuing services of Mr. Peter Gerbasi as Engineering Consultant to the Board based upon his proposal of November 4, 2022. The period of extension was for two years.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua
Member: Monica McGrath

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Financials/Traffic Statistics for the month of September 2022.

The YTD overtime listing for September 2022 was up approximately by 19.30% compared to September of 2021.

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.to discuss Personnel and legal matters.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua
Member: Monica McGrath

Upon a motion by Mr. Pasqua, seconded by Ms. McGrath and unanimously carried the Board came out of Executive Session at 8:45p.m.

ROLL CALL: Chairman Samuel Nahmias
Vice Chairman Vincent Pasqua
Member: Monica McGrath

After the Close of the Regular Meeting Public Comment about the Toll Increase took place. 40 Residents attended and 14 spoke on the increase.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Tuesday January 17, 2022 at 6:30 p.m..

Samuel Nahmias, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2022

DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
JOHN WOITOVICH	\$	1 100 00
JOHN WOITOVICH RAYMOND WEBB	Φ	1,190.00
SIGNS NOW		5,500.00
H&L CONTRACTING		4,342.50
STAPLES		29,925.00 447.52
FASTENAL		708.86
SPRAGUE		1,117.72
GUARDIAN		3,496.23
NGL GROUP		11,100.00
GRAINGER		236.10
DE LAGE LANDEN		218.00
FRANCES RUSSO		400.00
SALERNO BROKERAGE		5,615.66
PETER GERBASI		1,850.00
ALAN BLASS		1,500.00
ADP		649.84
CSEA		365.10
NYSIF		4,016.78
YURI'SGREEN CLEAN		250.00
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE		51,760.12
BRINKS		1,446.07
SHERWIN WILLIAMS		587.57
LIBERTY		159.63
PARTS AUTHORITY		64.94
ISLAND ELEVATOR		1,194.00
LOWE'S		2,355.43
CAPITAL ONE CARD		3,260.00
OPTIMUM		583.07
NATIONAL GRID		1,749.06
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL		379.00
TRIUS		6,135.00
PSEG	20	5,688.18
SPRINT		276.48
JOHN WOITOVICH		1,120.00
RAYMOND WEBB		5,500.00
YURI'S GREEN CLEAN		250.00
LIBERTY		314.46
4IMPRINT		8,135.05
AVS TECHNOLOGY		337.50
STAPLES		1,391.25
OUSMANE DIALLO		297.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATIONS		684.00
WELDON, WILLIAMS & LICK		11,562.50
SIMON MARKETING		2,081.00

GLOBAL FUELING EYMARK MEDIA ARROW EXTERMINATING DELAGE LANDEN PRO PRINTING MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT		758.39 444.92 795.00 279.00 54.00 <u>9,695.70</u>
	TOTAL	\$192,267.79

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER, 2022

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JANUARY 21, 2021 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: JOHN WAHLEN

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of December 17, 2020 were approved as amended.

## **Insurance Consultants Report**

The pricing for an alternative \$5 million deductible is \$103,528 including \$9,412 for terrorism coverage. After much discussion it was decide to await Bridge Attorney Michael Hopkin's discussion with The Bond Council

- . The renewal cyber insurance policy \$2,740 (expiring premium \$2,495). The commissioner approval the renewal seek confirmation that the coverage includes ransom.
- The State Insurance Fund loss year to date have been review by myself and is improved with less loses. This will reflect in a lower experience modification for the renewal.

## **Independent Auditors Report**

# Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - January 21, 2021

Mr. Blass reported that during December 2020, Revenue from Operations totaled \$287,025. This amount was \$45,635 less than the Revenue from Operations for December 2019.

For 2020, Revenues from Operations total \$5,120,146, which is \$1,214,163 or 19.17% less than revenue for 2019. This revenue decline was due to the Covid-19 Virus Shutdown.

Total Revenue for 2020 is only \$938,884 or 14.42% less than total revenue for 2019. That is because NCBA was paid \$205,000 in a legal settlement and a Marchiselli Grant of \$187,500 in 2020.

Payroll and related expenses for 2020 was \$3,036,938, which was \$16,797 or 0.55% less than 2019. Salaries for Toll Operators for 2020 was \$155,258 or 17.60% less than 2019. This is offset by an increase in the cost of health insurance for 2020 of \$153,525 or 35.30%.

Operating expenses for 2020 was \$900,111, which was \$24,836 or 2.84% more than 2019. In 2020, there was a \$53,614 increase in the cost of Pass Cards and Decals. This was offset by a \$68,597 decrease in the cost of Biennial Inspection Expense.

Nevertheless, the NCBA cash position for 2020 has still increased by \$1,323,990. This is \$837,152 or 38.74% less than the cash increase for the 2019.

Mr. Blass reported that the 2020 year-end accounting, audit and reporting process will now begin and should be complete by the March Board meeting.

The amounts reported during the year will be adjusted from cash to accrual accounting as a part of the annual audit.

Finally, Mr. Blass reported that he continues to work with Vincent, Rosemarie and the NCBA Board in response to the "NCBA Limited Review Report" prepared by the Nassau County Comptroller's Office.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reported the following: The company servicing the toll booth HVAC system was asked to delay their repair maintenance activities for both the heat and air conditioning until the spring of 2021. Three units at present have operational heating which allows this decision. The work will focus on restoring function for both the Heating and Cooling for at least 3 of the existing rooftop mechanical units.

The newly constructed raised platform for the transformer is now in place. The transformer will be shut-down to allow the contractor to place the transformer on the new platform. The transformer will be up and running within 6 hours The authority will coordinate with the Coast Guard and appropriate government entities prior to the date of the transfer.

Hardesty & Hanover is preparing for the repairs to the pilings and the bulk head. And Bon Eslinger has been working on the deck patch (the area where the land meets the water)

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of December 2020 were ratified.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of December 2020.

The YTD overtime listing for December 2020 was down approximately 1.91% compared to December 2020.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, March 18, 2021 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
SCHWING ELECTRICAL	\$ 527.62
ALL HOURS ENERGY	3, 174.81
1 <sup>ST</sup> SOURCE BANK	9,824.15
LOCKWOOD, KESSLER & BARTLETT	7,000.00
GUARDIAN	3.916.54
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	413.78
US POSTAL SERVICE	190.00
PETER GERBASI	
Escreen	1,770.00 174.50
SIGNS NOW	
WOODMERE GLASS & MIRROR	144.00
NY AMERICAN WATER	75.00
M. LAPENNA REFRIGERATION	270.28
READY REFRESH	997.50
BRINKS	186.77
CAPITAL ONE CARD SERVICES	1,057.10
MY FRIENDS CONSTRUCTION	1,160.79
ARROW EXTERMINATING	18,700.00
B & B ROADWAY & SECURITY	97.00
ALAN BLASS	9,581.27
CIMATO & SONS	1,500.00
ADP	170.00
OPTIMUM	639.60
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	558.32
STAPLES	54,352.61
NYSIF	303.70
MINUTEMAN PRESS	4,056.67
	456.06
MICHAEL HOPKINS & ASSOCIATES	2,745.25
FRANK SUPPLY	94.05
FIVE TOWNS MASON	125.40
LOWE'S	475.87
SHELTERPOINT LIFE	221.40
SALERNO BROKERAGE	160,472.39
PSEG	6,149.09
DELL MARKETING	2,407.26
SPRINT	153.00
CARAHSOFT	2,070.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
BRYANT A/C CONTRACTORS	500.00
NATIONAL GRID	3,408.62
SIGNS NOW	1,150.00
ROBERT & NANCY KEIMIG	867.60
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00

PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
FASTENAL	39.50
SPRAGUE	718.71
GLOBAL FUELING	827.14
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
MONTILLI PLUMBING	895.00
PARTS AUTHORITY	408.66
NY AMERICAN WATER	222.73
	222.13

**MEEETING OF MARCH 18, 2021** 

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
CAPITAL ONE CARD	\$ 442.50
FIRE COMMAND CO	2,344.00
MORELAND HOSE & BELT	150.00
ATLANTIC SALT	9,192.13
LOWE'S	319.19
PARTS AUTHORITY	246.84
ADP	877.75
BRINKS	1,057.10
PSEG	5,096.99
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	486.80
GUARDIAN	3,559.54
READY REFRESH	186.77
SALERNO BROKERAGE	2,740.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
ISLAND ELEVATOR	678,00
NYSIF	4,056.67
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	8.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,752.25
NVBA	671.25
DELL MARKETING	1,805.44
NATIONAL GRID	3,130.63
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
OPTIMUM	568.85
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	153.00
STAPLES	450.86
ADP	340.60
LOCKWOOD, KESSLER & BARTLETT	20,000.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
GLOBAL MONTELLO	950.90
ALL HOURS ENERGY	637.33

**MEEETING OF MARCH 18, 2021** 

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON MARCH 18, 2021 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

#### ABSENT:

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of January 21, 2021 were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield reported that he has checked all the flood renewal policies.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - March 23, 2021

Mr. Doniel Bodner, CPA, of Morse & Co., the NCBA Independent Auditor, presented the 2020 Certified Audit Report.

Revenue from Operations for 2020 was \$5,121,114 was \$1,214,171 less than 2019. This decrease was due ongoing effects of the COVID Pandemic.

Operating Expenditures for 2020 of \$4,826,288, excluding depreciation cost of \$2,510,604, reflect an increase of \$254,288 from 2019. This increase was due primarily to an increase of \$229,724 of Retirement Plan Cost and \$123,227 of Other Post Employee Benefits. This was offset by a decrease in Biennial Inspection cost of \$68,597.

The Change in Net Position for 2020 decreased by \$2,372,685, which includes \$2,510,604 of 2020 depreciation costs. Otherwise, net position for 2021 increased by the difference between operation operating revenue and expenses of \$137,919.

The 2020 Covenant Net Revenue of \$1,310,736, which includes the Change in Net Position of (\$2,372,685) plus the Bond Interest of \$409,350 Other Post-Employment Benefits of \$763,467 and Depreciation of \$2,510,604, significantly exceeded the 2020 Aggregate Debt Service of \$669,350 by \$641,386, despite the adverse effect on Revenue from Operations caused by the COVID Pandemic.

The Certified Audit Report for the year ended December 31, 2020 was approved by the Board on April 1, 2020.

Mr. Bodner reported that he will complete the Nassau County audit requirement by forwarding a copy of the report to the Nassau County Auditors, RSM, US, LLP and the Nassau County Audit Office, as required.

Mr. Blass reported that the New York State Comptroller's Office PARIS reporting is in process and will be completed by March 31, 2020. The PARIS Report was finalized upon approval of the 2020 Certified Financial Statements on April 1, 2020.

Mr. Blass also reported on the revenues and expenses relating to the first two months of 2021.

For the first two months of 2021, Revenues from Operations total \$1,360,823, was \$213,744 or 13.57% less than revenue for the first two months of 2020. This revenue decline was caused by ongoing effects of the COVID Pandemic.

Repairs and Maintenance Cost of \$25,491 was \$22,728 more than 2020. Otherwise, Operating Expenses for the first two months of 2021 were similar to 2020.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi informed the Authority that the new, elevated platform is now complete and final inspection is complete. The Authority along with Mr. Grasso is waiting for the final survey and the acceptable paperwork from the Engineer..

Mike Merola reported that his staff was working on concrete repair work in the immediate area of the tolls. He also reported that three out of the 4 HVAC units on the toll booths are operable providing heat. Evaluation for a/c for the summer is still questionable.

Mr. Gerbasi recommended that the Authority pay LaPenna Heating and Air Conditioning Corp. for a full evaluation of the system including equipment disassembly and testing. After the evaluation, LaPenna will provide their quote for restoring heat and air

conditioning with the focus on utilizing 3 salvageable units and providing 4 units that can be utilized for the new term future.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of January 2021 were ratified.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of February 2021.

The YTD overtime listing for February 2021 was down approximately 29.12% compared to February 2020.

The Board went into Executive Session and 5:45 p.m. to discuss the retirement of Carmelo Ayala, the 2020 longevity payment to Jason Vuono, the Nassau County Comptroller Audit/Response and the Bank Shortage.

After discussion of the above items, the Board came out of Executive Session at 6:15 p.m.

On motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously approved the 2020 longevity payment for \$2,00.00 to Jason Vuono was approved since he completed the required Anger Management course.

In reference to the bank shortage Mr. Grasso advised the Board that an additional camera was added to the counting room.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, April 15, 2021 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
MORSE & COMPANY	\$ 12,500.00
WRIGHT NATIONAL FLOOD INS.	50,894.00
NEW YORK WATER	204.33
PSEG	5,410.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	438.12
GUARDIAN	3,655.41
READY REFRESH	176.78
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
BANK OF NY MELLON	200,775.00
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
KORN FERRY	4,480.00
NYSIF	4,056.67
ADP	890.35
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,755.25
LOWE'S	425.60
PARTS AUTHORITY	114.98
FRANK SUPPLY	29.25
BRINKS	1,172.44
CAPITAL ONE CARD	1,390.94
OPTIMUM	568.82
NY WATER	190,68
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
APPRAISAL AFFILIATES	1,500.00
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	468.50
SOUTH SHORE READY MIX	663.00
LOCKWOOD, KESSLER & BARTLETT	8,000.00
HAUGLAND ENERGY	95,807.50
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	56,647.79
ALAN BLASS	5,000.00
NATIONAL GRID	3,865.64
GLOBAL FUELING	917.08
ABRZ	118.00
THOMAS PATRICK	514.17
BEST PRODUCTS	470.00

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON APRIL 15, 2021 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

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ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

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ALSO PRESENT: RICK KAMINER/MMC COMMUNICATIONS

MICHAEL MEROLA JONATHAN WAHLEN

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Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of March, 2021 were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield reported that at the request of the Chairman, he has been monitoring bills In Albany and Washington, D.C. regarding business interruption coverage for the pandemic. There is a bill pending in Congress for this coverage similar to the terrors and reinsurance act. He requested a certificate from MMC(Multi Media Communications), which made a presentation.

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## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reported to the Authority that he is waiting for Hardesty & Hanover to update him on the status for the Hatch repairs in the Roadway on the Bridge. Field work and Bridge inspection revealed that the two hatch covers are leaking and the roadway is deteriorating around the cover.

With regard to the HVAC systems and the toll booths Mr. Gerbasi indicated he feels that he is recommending a rebuild of the full HVAC system at a cost of \$67,920.00 which is the

estimate received from LaPenna Refrigeration Inc. of Mineola. He believes it is a better value and will enable the toll booth operators in all of the booths to have fresh air and a positive air flow all summer long and heat in the winter months.

Mr. Gerbasi indicated that he would work with Mr. John Wahlen to review proposals submitted to him that address this issue using mini split installations in 4 toll booths. Mr. Gerbasi had questions regarding if the mini split installations could maintain positive air pressure within all of the booths under normal operating conditions.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously Carried the following deletions of Furnishings and Equipment was made.

## FURNISHINGS & EQUIPMENT Building #4 – Toll Booths

Tag No	Location	Type	Qty	Description	Year Acq.	Orig. Cost
001078 001079 001077	Toll Booths Toll Booths Toll Booths	Toll Gate Toll Gate Toll Gate	1 A	Automation Control S Automation Control S Automation Control S	Sys. 2004	\$ 4,300 \$ 4,300 <u>\$ 4,300</u> \$ 12,900
		VEHICL	ES & I	EQUIPMENT		
000929	Chassis ca Body with	ab, VIN 2F n 8 compar	DKF3 tment	87 Ford F-350 Lift, 2 7L1HCACA06608, v doors and with Colvin	with utility n's aerial lift	<u>\$14,000</u>
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Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of 2021 were ratified.

\$26,900

TOTAL 2020 DELETIONS

Mr. Rick Kaminer of Multi Media Communications presented the Board Members with an in-depth presentation of what Multi Media Communications is offering the Authority.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board approved the Multi Media Communications Maintenance Contract for 1 year as follows:

MA shall include 30 hours of support consisting of field, telephone and software modifications.

The MA Agreement entitles preferred service response.

To implement the Agreement a sit visit will be performed to evaluate and Determine the scope of the maintenance responsibility. At a minimum MMC Shall maintain the cameras, LPR System, LAN and server operating system. Custom software not provided by MMC shall be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Initial visit shall not exceed two days on site and included all travel expenses.

Hours exceeding the 30-hour base shall be billed at \$185.00/hour.

The annual cost of the MA shall be \$26,500, invoiced quarterly at the beginning of the quarter.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of March 2021.

The YTD overtime listing for February 2021 was down approximately 55.50% compared to March 2020.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, May 20, 2021 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	\$8,464.50
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,750.00
CARD USA	9,450.00
CIMATO & SONS	8.00
STAPLES	954.40
FRANK SUPPLY	21.00
1 <sup>ST</sup> SOURCE BANK	9,824.15
GUARDIAN	3,489.35
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	365.10
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	1,614.80
JOHNSON CONTROLS	674.58
READY REFRESH	176.78
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
ABRZ	65.00
MINUTEMAN PRESS	4,457.42
ADP	607.60
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD	4,926.96
OPTIMUM	553.84
MICHAELS ELECTRICAL	73.04
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	379.00
SPRINT	152.01
SCHWING ELECTRICAL	1,169.42
eSCREEN	50.25
NEW ERA APPAREL	1,091.75
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
LOCKWOOD, KESSLER & BARTLETT	8,000.00
M. LAPENNA REFRIGERATION	2,280.00
NATIONAL GRID	3,223.59
MOODY'S INVESTOIRS SERVICE	12,000.00
SHELTER POINT	201.55
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
BRINKS	1,114.77
PSEG	5,236.39
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	54,498.05
BANK OF NY MELLON	2,750.00
NYSIF	4,056.68
KORN FERRY	4,480.00
STICKERPOINT	83.65
FIVE TOWNS MASON	49.95

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GLOBAL	FUELING SYSTEMS
LOWE'S	

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# **MEETING OF APRIL 15, 2021**

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JUNE 3, 2021 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ABSENT: DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA JONATHAN WAHLEN

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of April 15, 2021 were approved as amended.

## **Insurance Consultants Report**

**Experience Modification Factor** – The Authority's 20-21 experience modification factor is .91 this reflects a Credit of 9% . The Authority's 21-22 experience modification factor is a .94 this reflects a credit of 6%.

As you will recall in 2019, we entertained the State Insurance Fund Safety Group option as well as an option from Perma. Perma is a self-insured group but due to the by-laws of Perma and the lack of taxing ability and ability to raise debt, NCBA was not able to place coverage with Perma. Perma advised that may be able to get Comp Board approval for NCBA as long as they sign a special funding resolution. A resolution would need to be made between the NCBA and the public entity that has the power and authority to issue bonds, notes, or other obligations for any corporate purpose for the NCBA. Based on this, we did not re-approach Perma this year.

The two options on the next page:

7/1/21-22 State Insurance Fund – Group 90 – (No Dividend): \$51,616. (Including Service Fee) Final cost is determined by payroll audit of the actual payrolls for the policy term.

7/1/21-22 State Insurance Fund – Group 497 (Safety Group – dividend plan): \$62,460. (Including Service Fee) Projected Dividend: \$17,062. Projected Net Cost: \$45,398.

(Final cost is determined by payroll audit of the actual payrolls for the policy term and declared dividend.)

In simple terms, the NCBA would pay more upfront (\$10,844 more upfront), for the potential of the back-end being ultimately less (about \$6,200 less).

I recommend that you go with is Group 497 and save money in the long run.

Respectfully Submitted

Jeffrey Greenfield

Managing Member

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass – June 3, 2021

The audit contract for Morse & Company CPAs was renewed for the 2021, 2022 and 2023 audits.

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for April 30, 2021, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$405,709 for April 2021 was \$405,709 more than Revenues from Operations for April 2020, when the Covid Pandemic first began, and no tolls were collected.

In fact, the April 2021 Revenue from operations was only \$18,954 or 4.5% less than March 2019, before the Covid Pandemic.

However, Revenues from 2021 Decal Sales is still down by \$40,585 from April 2020. As of March 2021, Decal Sales was down from \$70,435 less at the end of March 2021. That reflects an improvement. It is believed that this is due to a delay in the return of snowbirds from Florida.

For the three months ended April 30, 2021, Revenue from Operations of \$2,160,913 is up by \$383,446 from the first four months of 2020, which equates to a 21.51% increase.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Extensive discussion took place with regards to the HVAC repair/replacement of the systems within the facilities toll booths. Peter, Mike and Jonathan were directed to work together expeditiously as the summer season is upon us and the toll collectors need to be able to work in a comfortable and safe environment.

Jonathan Whalen solicited cost proposals from various contractors to provide pricing for Mini Split Units to condition the air within four toll booths in the Bridge Toll Plaza. Mr. Whalen reported that KCM Heating (I do not know the actual name) was the lowest bidder at a cost of \$14,925.00. Mr. Gerbasi again requested that the low bidder provide in writing an affirmation that the units will operate in a manner that provides for positive air pressure within the booths under both heating and cooling operations.

The Board directed Mr. Hopkins to draft a letter using information previously provided to Mr. Whalen by Mr. Gerbasi that will require that the contractor confirm that he will provide the HVAC equipment and that the equipment will perform as intended. This acknowledgment will include a commitment to provide physical testing/measurement of the air pressure within the booths documenting positive air pressure maintained within the booths to the acceptance by the NCBA.

Mr. Whalen was directed to communicate with the vendor that his selection as the lowest responsible bidder was contingent upon the acceptance of the terms required by the NCBA. Mr. Hopkins indicated that the Board could vote on the award of the work with this contingency.

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board directed Mr. Hopkins to draft a letter using information previously provided to Mr. Whalen by Mr. Gerbasi that will require that the contractor confirm that he will provide the HVAC equipment and that the equipment will perform as intended. This acknowledgment will

include a commitment to provide physical testing/measurement of the air pressure within the booths documenting positive air pressure maintained within the booths to the acceptance by the NCBA.

The YTD overtime listing for April 2021 has increased approximately 74.13% compared to April 2020.

Ms. Evola presented the monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of April 2021.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried The Morse & Company Certified Public Accountants Contract to Audit the financial statements of the Authority for the years ended December 31, 2021, 2022 and 2023 was unanimously approved.

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March 18, 2021

Board of Commissioners Nassau County Bridge Authority PO Box 341 Lawrence, N.Y. 11559 Approved Q Board Meeting OF 6-3-21

Agreement to provide services

To the appropriate representative of those charged with governance of Nassau County Bridge Authority:

We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the services we are to provide for the Nassau County Bridge Authority ("Authority") for the years ended December 31, 2021, 2022, and 2023.

We will audit the financial statements of Authority, which comprise the balance sheet as of December 31, 2021, 2022, and 2023 and the related statements of income, retained earnings, and cash flows for the years then ended, for the purpose of expressing an opinion on them. The financial statements are the responsibility of the Authority's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audit.

We are pleased to confirm our acceptance and our understanding of this audit engagement by means of this letter. Our audit will be conducted with the objective of our expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

We will conduct our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements may not be detected exists, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with GAAS.

In making our risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing concerning any significant deficiencies or

material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that management acknowledge and understand that they have responsibility

- for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America;
- b. for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- c, to provide us with
  - access to all information of which management is aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements such as records, documentation, and other matters;
  - ii. additional information that we may request from management for the purpose of the audit; and
  - iii. unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

As part of our audit process, we will request from management, written confirmation concerning representations made to us in connection with the audit.

#### Dispute Resolution Procedure

If any dispute, controversy, or claim arises in connection with the performance or breach of this agreement (including disputes regarding the validity or enforceability of this agreement), either party may, upon written notice to the other party, request facilitated negotiations. Such negotiations shall be assisted by a neutral facilitator acceptable to both parties and shall require the best efforts of the parties to discuss with each other in good faith their respective positions and, respecting their different interests, to finally resolve such dispute.

Fees

Our charges to the Organization for the services described above will be as follows:

Fees	Requested Service	
\$25,000	Annual audit of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021	
\$25,000	Annual audit of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022	
\$27,000	Annual audit of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023	

50% of each year's full fee is due upon the first day of fieldwork and will be billed accordingly. Prior to the release of the audit report, we will require payment of 100% of all fees billed.

The fees are based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and the assumption that unexpected circumstances will not be encountered during the audit. If significant additional time is necessary, we will discuss it with you and arrive at a new fee estimate before we incur the additional costs. We also will bill you for our out-of pocket expenses and our internal charges for certain support activities. Our fee includes certain flat-rate amounts that reflect an allocation of estimated costs associated with general office services, such as computer usage, telephone charges, facsimile transmissions, postage, and photocopying. We leverage our size to achieve cost savings for our clients in all areas of expense, including those covered by internal charges, and use this system of allocation to minimize total costs. If payment is not received promptly, we reserve the right to stop work on the engagement.

#### Reporting

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of the Authority's financial statements. Our report will be addressed to the board of directors of the Authority. We cannot provide assurance that an unmodified opinion will be expressed. Circumstances may arise in which it is necessary for us to modify our opinion, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph(s), or withdraw from the engagement.

Please sign and return the attached copy of this letter to indicate your acknowledgment of, and agreement with, the arrangements for our audit of the financial statements including our respective responsibilities.

Qua allena

Dexter A. Morse, CPA Managing Partner

Acknowledged and agreed on behalf of Nassau County Bridge Authority by:

Executive Director

6-4-11 Date

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board approved the ratification of the Paid Vouchers for the month of April, 2021.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 5:15 p.m. to discuss the 2021 Collective Bargaining Agreement and Carmelo Ayala-Wing Lau.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board came out of executive Session at 5:50 p.m.

Chairman Grasso will meet again with the Union Representatives to discuss Contract Proposals.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, July 15, 2021 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	\$ 330.00
GUARDIAN	3,827.91
HARDESTY & HANOVER	59,142.79
STAPLES	348.11
CNA	110.00
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,750.00
SPRAGUE	1,035.08
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
OPTIMUM	569.51
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	438.12
COLLISION SPECIALISTS	111.97
CAPITAL ONE CARD	928.56
FORTE RTS	2,352.00
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	58,713.39
CARD USA	5,670.00
SPRINT	578.38
FRANK SUPPLY	169.35
BEST PRODUCTS	200.00
MICHAELS ELECTRICAL	310.92
ULTIMATE CAR & TRUCK	630.00
NYSIF	3,760.34
BRINKS	1,114.77
ADP	633.30
HARDESTY & HANOVER	29,166.92
HAUGHLAND ENERGY	34,685.45
FIVE TOWNS MASON	38.76
CIMATO & SONS	459.50
LOWE'S	778.27
DE LAGE LANDEN ABRZ	572.00
PSEG	115.00
NATIONAL GRID	4,129.00
NY WATER	482.21
PETER GERBASI	229.06
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MEETING OF JULY 15, 2021

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JULY 15, 2021 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT:

MICHAEL MEROLA JONATHAN WAHLEN

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:28 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of June 3, 2021 were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

I am pleased to advise that effective 7/1/2021, the Nassau County Bridge Authority's Workers Compensation Policy has been transferred to the State Insurance Fund Municipal Safety Group. As you are aware, the Safety Group, will declare annual dividends. The anticipated dividend for the 7/1/2021-2022 policy term will be declared on or around May of 2023.

We have reviewed the following:

- 1. Renewal Policy (Group 497)
- 2. Deposit premium of \$55,968.59. The final premium will be calculated at audit and issuance of declared dividend.

The following are the factors that make up the renewal premium:

Classifications outlined in the policy – We suggest that the appropriate person review the payrolls to be certain that The State Insurance Fund is using accurate payroll estimations.

Classification 9019 - Bridge Operations -

\$1,581,700.

Classification 880 - Clerical Office Employees -

\$ 415,200.

**Experience Modification Factor** – The Authority's current experience modification factor is .94 this reflects a Credit of 6%. The expiring Experience Modification was .91

The State Insurance Fund Discount – 25% (max for Safety Group Policyholders)

**NYS Assessment Charges** – The Assessment charge is set by the New York State Workers Compensation Rating Board. The 2021 State Insurance Fund Assessment is 11.8% for Workers Compensation.

Fleury Risk Management Service Fee – As you are aware, your entity is charged a service fee by Fleury Risk Management for the administration of this policy. Service fee is approximately \$6,500. (You will receive an invoice from Fleury Risk for this fee.)

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - July 15, 2021

Mr. Blass presented the Budget Variance Report for June 30, 2021, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

This June 30, 2021 Budget Variance compared the revenues and expenses for the month ended June 2021, for the month and year to date, to June 2019.

This comparison is more relevant than comparing to June 30 2020 because of the Covid 19 shutdowns in 2020.

Revenue from Operations of \$635,830 for June 2021 was \$60,084 more than Revenues from Operations for June 2019.

Revenue from Operations of \$3,354,641 for the six months ended June 2021 was \$227,334 or 6.35% less than Revenues from Operations for the six months ended June 2019.

Revenues from 2021 Decal Sales for the first six months is still down by \$72,740 from 2019 or 8.79%.

For the six months ended June 2021, Operating Expenses of \$726,510 is \$97,741 or 15.54% higher than the first six months of 2019.

Most of this increase is an increase in Payroll and Related Expenses of \$77,581 or 5.55% and an increase of Insurance Cost of \$53,167 or 16.12%.

The cash increase for the first six month of 2021 of \$1,071,442 was \$449,132 or 29.54% less than the first six months of 2019.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reported to the Authority that Hardesty & Hanover, Chairman Grasso and Mr. Gerbasi walked the facility perimeter to observe the condition of the Bulkhead and Concrete Piers on the property and bridge that are deteriorated and in need of repair.

Mr. Grasso requested Hardesty & Hanover provide cost proposals for inspection and design to address the:

- Roadway Hatch Replacement
- Bulkhead Replacement/repair options
- Other Bridge maintenance item

The commissioners requested that other proposals be solicited for the purpose of Comparison.

It was also reported that the Toll Booth AC Units were installed and operational. Mr. Gerbasi requested that the positive pressure test results be provided by the contractor before issuing final payment.

Mr. Grasso reported that the Transformer Elevation Contracting work was complete. Mr. Gerbasi noted that final payment should be withheld until the Authority received the Engineer Certificate of Completion and a release of liens is received from the general contractor for all sub-contractors.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of June, 2021 were ratified.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Annual Ratification of the following policies took place:

The Nassau County Bridge Authority Policy and Compliance Manual, The Nassau County Bridge Authority By-Laws, Nassau County Bridge Authority Investment Policy and Guidelines, Nassau County Bridge Authority Executive Management Time, Attendance and Compensation Policy, Nassau County Bridge Authority Computer Use Policy, Nassau County Bridge Authority

Gratis Decal and Bridge Transit Policy, Nassau County Bridge Authority Property Disposition Policy, Nassau County Bridge Authority Records Retention and Disposition Resolution, 2018 NCBA Procurement Policy, Nassau County Bridge Authority Additional Compensation Policy, Nassau County Bridge Authority Re-Training and Skills Development Program

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of June, 2021.

The YTD overtime listing for April 2021 was down approximately 78.63% compared to June 2020.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 4:58 p.m. to discuss the 2021 Collective Bargaining Agreement and possible Toll Increase.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board came out of Executive Session at 6:03 p.m.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, August 20, 2021 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
STAPLES	\$ 603.57
GUARDIAN	\$ 4,139.32
CSEA	\$ 438.12
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	\$ 379.00
FRANCES RUSSO	\$ 400.00
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 8,464.50
SHELTER POINT LIFE	\$ 218.45
READY REFRESH	\$ 417.29
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	\$ 379.00
NATIONAL GRID	\$ 131.10
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	\$56,605.72
MICHAELS ELECTRICAL	\$13,766.45
DE LAGE LANDEN	\$ 497.00
TRAFFIC SYSTEMS	\$ 892.00
MINUTEMAN PRESS	\$ 331.50
ADP	\$ 671.85
ALAN BLASS	\$ 1,500.00
MICHALE HOPKINS	\$ 2,820.50
OPTIMUM	\$ 568.82
HARDESTY & HANOVER	\$19,701.50
CIMATO & SONS	\$ 178.50
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	\$ 404.40
FRANK SUPPLY	\$ 115.91
KCN HEATING	\$14,925.00
BRINKS	\$ 1,114.77
EUGENE BOWERS	\$ 61.77
NYSIF	\$ 3,770.34
GLOBAL FUELING	\$ 867.50
STAPLES	\$ 427.39
PSEG	\$ 4,582.14
ARROW EXTERMINATING	\$ 237.00
INDEPENDENT COACH	\$ 782.82
SPRINT	\$ 251.34
FLEURY RISK MANAGEMENT	\$ 6,491.60
eSCREEN NIX WATER	\$ 50.25
NY WATER	\$ 168.09
MULTI-MEDIA COMMUNICATION	\$ 4,386.99

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON AUGUST 26, 2021 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER PETER GERBASI, ENGINEERING MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESO. COUNSEL

ABSENT: ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD NGL INSURANCE GROUP

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of July 15, 2021, were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

The only item we have to report is the workers compensation claim with the state fund and the judgement is not a concern. The initial date of the claim of 2002 makes it have no impact on the NCBA current or future loss ratio or experience mod and there will be no financial impact.

#### **Accounting Consultants Report**

#### Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - August 26, 2021

Mr. Blass presented the Budget Variance Report for July 31, 2021, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

This July 31, 2021 Budget Variance compared the revenues and expenses for the month ended July 31 2021, for the month and year to date, to July 31, 2019.

This comparison is more relevant than comparing to July 31, 2020 because of the Covid 19 shutdowns in 2020.

Revenue from Operations of \$637,690 for July 2021 was \$31,825 less than Revenues from Operations for July 2019.

Revenue from Operations of \$3,992,331 for the seven months ended July 2021 was \$259,159 or 6.10% less than Revenues from Operations for the seven months ended July 31, 2019.

Revenues from 2021 Decal Sales for the first seven months is still down by \$72,845 from 2019 or 7.93%.

For the seven months ended July 31, 2021, Operating Expenses of \$790,732 is \$127,919 or 19.30% higher than the first seven months of 2019.

Most of this increase is an increase in Payroll and Related Expenses of \$91,350 or 5.57% and an increase of Insurance Cost of \$53,167 or 16.12%.

The cash increase for the first seven months of 2021 of \$1,390,381 was \$537,639 or 27.89% less than the first seven months of 2019.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reported to the Authority that he had reached out to Bob Eslinger of Hardesty & Hanover and inquired of the status of requested proposals, on Bridge repair items and Bulkhead redesign efforts. Based on the information provided we can expect a proposal that proposal that will be presented at the September 17<sup>th</sup>. Board Meeting.

Mr. Gerbasi also reported that the Toll Booth AC was operational. He indicated that he has not been provided with a report on the positive pressure in the Toll Booths.

Chairman Grasso spoke about the uninsured motorist who crashed into the new cameras at the Bridge. Mr. Hopkins will advise at the next meeting.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of July 2021 were ratified.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Nassau County Bridge Authority Budget-Operations for 2022 was unanimously approved.

Chairman Grasso presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of July, 2021.

The YTD overtime listing for July 2021 was up approximately 34.45% compared to July 2020.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, September 23, 2021 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
SIGHTMD	\$ 142.73
FINE LINE SERVICE	843.12
COLLISION SPECIALISTS	374.51
LOWE'S	439.69
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	74.00
CROWN FORD	675.95
CIMATO & SONS	100.00
ADP	865.59
MAYFAIR POWER SYSTEMS	1,751.85
RICHILIEU	87.00
DE LAGE LANDEN	497.00
GUARDIAN	3,877.35
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	316.42
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
HARDESTY & HANOVER	5,455.87
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
OPTIMUM	568.82
MULTI-MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS	6,625.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,762.25
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	416.90
ISLAND ELEVATOR	705.00
NYSIF	4,854.79
BRINKS	1,114.77
PSEG	4,926.66
CARMELO AYALA	300.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD	1,529.15
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	56,605.72
STAPLES	271.84
BEST PRODUCTS	200.00
MICHAELS ELECTRIC	1,411.64
SAFETY-KLEEN	421.93
GLOBAL FUELING	643.08
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
NATIONAL GRID	124.92
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	206.90
HARDESTY & HANOVER	4,034.32
SPRINT APPOW EVTERMINATING	251.34
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
NY WATER	180.76

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
MULTI-MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS	\$4,800.80
ADP	1,066.77
CARMELO AYALA	500.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,750.00
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	289.12
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
MINUTEMAN PRESS	436.96
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
BANK OF NY MELLON	470,775.00
GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL	475.51
READY REFRESH	1,017.52
Escreen	164.96
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	389.44
GUARDIAN	3,981.96
LOWE'S	1,696.97
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	379.00
DE LAGE LANDEN	497.00
RUSSO RECYCLING	120.00
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	149.24
HARDESTY & HANOVER	2,640.09
NYSIF	4,854.79
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
FIVE TOWNS MASON	35.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATIONS	207.40
PSEG	4,816.81
SPRAGUE	1,103.57
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	48,067.19
BRINKS	1,114.77
SPRINT	251.34
OPTIMUM	568.82
GLOBAL FUELING	993.57
CAPITAL ONE CARD	3,746.01
NATIONAL GRID	140.88
STAPLES	232.69
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	8,167.50

# **MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2021**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2021 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD NGL INSURANCE GROUP

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT

PETER GERBASI, ENGINEERING MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of August 26, 2021, were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

In accordance with the request from Vincent Grasso, I have undertaken the marketing of the renewal policy. I met with Gallagher and company who, has a department, specializing in municipal insurance.

I am putting an ad in the Long Island Business News.

#### **Accounting Consultants Report**

Mr. Blass presented the Budget Variance Report for September 30, 2021, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

This September 30, 2021 Budget Variance compared the revenues and expenses for the month ended September 30 2021, for the month and year to date, to September 30 2019.

This comparison is more relevant than comparing to September 2020 because of the Covid 19 shutdowns in 2020.

Revenue from Operations of \$458,901 for September 2021 was \$27,904 more than Revenues from Operations for September 2019.

Revenue from Operations of \$5,049,500 for the nine months ended September 30, 2021 was \$240,852 or 4.55% less than Revenues from Operations for the nine months ended September 30,2019.

Revenues from 2021 Decal Sales for the first nine months is still down by \$64,720 from 2019 or 12.27%.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2021, Operating Expenses of \$885,530 is \$141,278 or 18.98% higher than the first nine months of 2019.

Most of this increase is an increase in Payroll and Related Expenses of \$193,208 or 9.11% and an increase of Insurance Cost of \$53,426 or 16.20%.

This was offset by a decrease in Utilities cost of \$19,367 or 28.59%, which was due to NCBA ongoing use of solar energy.

The cash increase for the first nine months of 2021 of \$1,595,030 was \$636,410 or 28.52% less than the first nine months of 2019.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reported to the Authority that he was in receipt of a proposal for "Contract Document Preparation Cost Estimate for Concrete Repairs to Bridge Pier Pile Bents and Replacement of Roadway Hatches over Machinery Rooms" from Hardesty & Hanover. Mr. Grasso indicated that he had not distributed this document to the Commissioners.

Mr. Gerbasi stated that with regard to work that directly impacts bridge structure, he will be recommending that the authority "stays with old hands" and vote to approve retaining H&H for the Bridge design, bidding and Construction Administration work.

Mr. Grasso indicated that he would be issuing the H&H proposal to the Board for its review and consideration next at next months meeting.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the months of August 2021 and September 2021were ratified.

Chairman Grasso presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of September 2021.

The YTD overtime listing for September 2020 was up approximately 49.50% compared to September 2021.

Mr. Grasso reported to the Board that 80% of employees at the Bridge have received the COVID vaccination, and of the 7 who did not, 4 had contracted and recovered from COVID.

The current policy remains that people are encouraged to get the vaccination, but not mandated. When dealing with the public, ALL employees must wear a mask, and anyone experiencing symptoms should get tested immediately. Those who test positive are to immediately quarantine for 10 days. Employees will not be charges for the 10 days in quarantine. Additionally, those employees choosing to be vaccinated are granted 1 day of paid leave for each shot they receive.

The Board has stated that future vaccine mandates will be judged based upon protocols for the non-Law Enforcement and non-Medical personnel of Nassau County are implemented.

Decal holders who can present proof (i.e. letter from insurance company) that their vehicle was totaled can have the Transfer Fee for a transfer decal waived.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, December 16, 2021 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 53,391.37
FRANK SUPPLY	773.36
LOWE'S	592.97
GABRIELLE TRUCK SALES	34,222.00
CIMATO & SONS	28.00
FASTENAL	496.76
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	389.44
GUARDIAN	3,864.39
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	470.53
MICHAELS ELECTRICAL SUPPLY	132.78
A&B TOWING	300.00
MINUTEMAN PRESS	405.26
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
SALERNO BROKERAGE	1,671.28
ADP	666.07
TRIUS	2,750.00
ALAN BLASS GREAT AMERICAN EDIANGLAS	1,500.00
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL NY WATER	379.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD	121.10
SHELTER POINT	1,667.66
NATIONAL GRID	214.35
NY WATER	130.87
PSEG	281.89
BEST PRODUCTS	4,606 47
BRINKS	265.00
NYSIF	1,496.83
STAPLES	4,854.79
HARDESTY & HANOVER	144.08
OPTIMUM	3,943.90 567.64
DE LAGE LANDEN	497.00
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	97.00
SPRINT	251.29
LOWE'S	731.24
GLOBAL MONTELLO	1,940.63
GLOBAL FUELING	1,072.00
MICHAELS ELECTRRICAL	341.89
FASTENAL	478.55

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2021

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
CIMATO & SONS	\$ 35.00
NAC VAN & TRUCK	\$2,710.00
CENTRAL LOCK & KEY	47.00
GUARDIAN	3,833.99
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	389.44
PETER GERBASI	1,850.00
CARMELO AYALA	1,100.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
NORTHSHORE LIJ	40.00
ADP	783.42
RICHELIEU	87.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,750.00
READY REFRESH	364.09
ISLAND ELEVATOR	705.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD	1,762.50
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	379.00
Escreen	239.44
NY WATER	165.55
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	53,390.65
DELAGE LANDEN	497.00
STAPLES	338.74
PSEG	3,095.27
OPTIMUM	567.64
NYSIF	4,854.79
NYS RETIREMENT SYSTEM	300,458.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
ADVANCED VIDEO SURVEILLANCE	600.00
CORE BTS	4,440.00
BRIDGE TOWER OPCO	20.53
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
BRINKS	1,222.90
SPRINT	251.29
GLOBAL FUELING	402.00
HINCK	8,771.25

MEETING OF JANUARY 20, 2022

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2021

**AMOUNT** 

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MICHAEL MEROLA	0 202 40
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 382.40
GUARDIAN	50,945.58
PETER GERBASI	3,584.78
NATIONAL GRID	1,850.00 234.86
SAMARITAN EMERGENCY SRVS	300.45
STAPLES	623.46
JOHNSON CONTROLS	8,730.30
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
ERIC PERSON	134.68
GLOBAL FUELING	301.50
ADP	621.97
CIMATO & SONS	100.00
NYSIF	5,543.52
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
BRINKS	1,222.89
CAPITAL ONE CARD	2,070.00
GREAT AMERICAN FINANCIAL	379.00
CSEA	38944
OPTIMUM ATTANETIC CALLED	526.96
ATLANTIC SALT	10,071.36
MINUTEMAN PRESS	390.26
PSEG CENTRAL DISCUSSES SYSTEMATO	4,724.26
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS DE LAGE LANDEN	590.97
ABRZ	497.00
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	707.00
LOWE'S	8,019.00
NCBA	228.50
WELDON, WILLIAMS & LICK	474.77
NATIONAL GRID	10,199.84
STAPLES	1,476.52 294.42
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,750.00
SPRINT	251.29
NY AMERICAN WATER	224.99
READY REFRESH	234.31
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**MEETING OF JANUARY 20, 2022** 

**DESCRIPTION** 

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JANUARY 16, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

NICHOLAS MIRAGLIA, ESQ.COUNSEL

ABSENT: DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

VINCENT GRASSO, MAMAGER (Military Leave) ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL STATION MANAGER

ALSO PRESENT:

MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

CARMELO AYALA

Deputy Manager Rosemarie Evola called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of November 21, 2019 were approved as amended.

### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield submitted the following to the Authority:

- 1. As per prior correspondence, supported by industry articles due to rising property rates the consultant recommends we opt to a three year annual installment policy as opposed to the current one year where we are in the final year.
- 2. Salerno Brokerage bid. As per the Salerno's summary letter outlining their numerous marketing efforts and success with respect to the renewal negotiations, the consultant recommends the renewal award to Salerno Brokerage

Discussion to place with regard to the correspondence submitted by Mr. Greenfield (attached to the minutes).

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Authority will pay the 3<sup>rd</sup>. year of the existing policy \$118,828.00. Mr. Greenfield will invite both Salerno and Breitstone to the next meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

## **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for November 30, 2019, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$345,448 for November 2019 was less than Revenues from Operations for November 2018, by \$7,344.

For the 11 months ended November 30, 2019, Revenue from Operations of \$6,001,649 is down by \$80,458 from the first 11 months of 2018, which equates to a 1.32% decrease.

Payroll and related expenses for the first 11 months of 2019 of \$2,942,651 was \$141,075 or 5.04% more than 2018.

Operating Expenses for the first eleven months of 2019 of \$910,584 was \$35,700 or 4.08% more than 2018.

Toll Lane Maintenance was \$32,177 less, Biennial Inspection Expense was \$48,314 less, FEMA Mitigation Expenses was \$50,772 less and Fees – Henry Marine Claim was \$23,159 less than the first eleven months of 2018.

These cost reductions were offset by lawsuit settlement of \$155,000.

The net loss for the first 11 months of 2019 of (\$368,710) was \$430,534 more than 2018. There was a gain for the first 11 months of 2018 of \$61,874. This was due to increased depreciation expense of \$267,683 in 2019.

The NCBA cash position increase for the first 11 months of 2019 of \$1,981,451 was \$162,901 less than the 2018 cash increase of \$2,144,352.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi informed the authority that Rescue Road has been paved by the County roadwork Contractor.

The Salt Dome is now operational and only a few minor items including pavement repair/replacement remain to be done.

The RFP for the Toll Booth evaluation is ready to be sent out to interested consultants.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the months of November 2019 & December 2019 were approved.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for October and November 2019.

A proposal from Alan Blass regarding his Accounting Consulting Services for the years 2020 and 2021 was received by the Authority. This item was tabled to the February 13, 2020 meeting.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 5:15 p.m. to discuss personnel matters.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board came out of Executive Session at 5:40 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried Michael C. Merola, Maintenance Helper/Provisional Bridge Operator was granted a 6 month unpaid leave of absence effective January 5, 2020 to attend the Police Academy.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried Mr. Joseph Scalesi was appointed Maintainer with an increase of \$5,000.00 pending Civil Service Approval.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday February 13, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
NATIONAL GRID	\$1,376.86
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	8.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	731.25
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	1,047.50
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
OPTIMUM	552.96
NYSIF	3,665.94
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	45.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND	462.46
GUARDIAN	4,208.71
ALAN BLASS	5,000.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
NY AMERICAN WATER	265.42
READY REFRESH	196.78
CAPITAL ONE CARD	61.22
CALLAHEAD	109.50
MICHAELS ELECTRIC	464.43
CARD USA	6,300.00
ADP	741.39
PSEG WELSDACH ELECTRIC	4,177.36
WELSBACH ELECTRIC ULTIMATE CAR & TRUCK CENTER	4,196.80
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	225.00
NYS RETIREMENT SYSTEM	57,269.70
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	252,903.00
ISLAND ELEVATOR	45.00
FRANCES RUSSO	678.00
BRINKS	400.00
LOWE'S	1,057.10
NEXTEL	246.23
ALL HOURS ENERGY	152.67 169.95
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	169.93 284.94
SPRAGUE	802.89
NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY	770.62
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## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
READY REFRESH	\$ 116.84
NGL GROUP	1,850.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
GUARDIAN	4,208.71
NY WATER	341.06
NATIONAL GRID	2,014.74
STAPLES	245.85
CAPITAL ONE CARD	242.44
LOWE'S	119.50
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	52,653.67
ALL HOURS ENERGY	254.93
HENRICH	698.20
PSEG	5,383.35
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
NYSIF	3,665.94
KS STATE BANK	3,690.10
ALAMA SERVICE	1,119.00
ADP	702.50
US POSTAL SERVICE	176.00
JOHNSON CONTROLS	630.44
HARDESTY & HANOVER	54,269.12
BRINKS	1,057.10
OPTIMUM	537.96
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,690.00
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,020.00

MEETING OF JANUARY 16, 2020

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON MARCH 26, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ABSENT:

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Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m, vianVideo Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of January 16, 2020 were approved as amended.

### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield submitted the following to the Authority:

I reviewed the letter of denial from our insurance carrier dated March 26, 2020 concerning business interruption claim. The carrier denied the claim on the basis of 3 reasons contained within the policy form.

I reviewed the worker's compensation claims over the \$10k with the state insurance fund safety group for the period from 7/1-7/27. Claimant Jeff Roth was awarded a section 32 settlement of . Claimant Michael Giordonello failed to attend his 12/11/19 worker's compensation board hearing and the board found in favor of the insurance carrier. The 3<sup>rd</sup> claim had no change.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

## Minutes on NCBA Independent Auditor Report by Alan Blass - March 26, 2020

Mr. Doneal Bodner, CPA, of Morse and Company, reported on the current status of the NCBA Certified Financial Audit Report for the year ended 12-31-2019.

He advised that due to the current circumstances related to the Corona -19 Virus, he has not yet been able to complete his final review.

He explained that the Financial Statements should be complete and ready to present to the Board during mid-April 2020.

## Minutes on NCBA Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - March 26, 2020

Mr. Alan Blass advised that the PARIS Reports, which are ordinarily due by March 31, 2020 for the year ended December 31, 2019, have not yet been submitted.

The completion of the PARIS Reports will be completed and submitted to the New York State Comptroller's Office upon approval by the NCBA Board at the April NCBA Board Meeting,

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for February 29, 2020, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$380,632 for February 2020 was more than Revenues from Operations for February 2019, by \$21,199.

For the two (2) months ended February 29, 2020, Revenue from Operations of \$1,574,566 is up by \$3,481 from the first two (2) months of 2019, which equates to a 0.22% increase.

Payroll and related expenses for the first two (2) months of 2020 of \$451,597 was \$24,694 or 5.78% more than 2019.

Operating Expenses for the first two (2) months of 2020 of \$397,827 was \$31,941 or 7.43% less than 2019.

Insurance Expense was \$55,140 less in 202 than 2019; This is offset by the Biennial Inspection Expense which was \$42,408 more than the first two (2) months of 2019.

The net gain for the first two (2) months of 2020 of \$268,832 was \$57,188 more than 2019. There was a gain for the first two (2) months of 2019 of \$268,835. This was due to increased depreciation expense of \$49,158 in 2020.

The NCBA cash position increase for the first two (2) months of 2020 of \$745,292 was \$106,343 more than the 2019 cash increase of \$638,949.

This is due to due a \$205, 000 legal settlement received by NCBA in 2020.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi spoke and reported to the Commissioners that he wanted them to be aware that the toll booths at the Bridge are under positive pressure under normal operating conditions. That means that air blows out of the booths which would limit the chance of air from the outside making its way into the breathing zone of the Booth personnel.

He also discussed that with respect to vehicles going through the tolls without making payment that the use of the security tapes in the lanes could be used to identify vehicles. This data could be used should the Authority attempt to recover some of the lost toll revenue.

No other items were discussed by Mr. Gerbasi during the meeting.

Manager Vincent Grasso informed the authority that FEMA was not reimbursing the authority for any lost revenue due to the Covid Virus Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the months of January/February were approved.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for February 2020.

The overtime listing for December 2019/January/February was down approximately 13.82% from November, 2019.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried a motion was made to declare the 1987 Ford Utility vehicle surplus and solicit bids for sale of said vehicle.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board voted to institute a State of Emergency, suspending tolls and normal policies and procedures because of COVID 19.

Manager Grasso submitted to the authority his Military Pay Calculations for April 11, 2019 through March 2, 2020. He also submitted a copy of his Response to Draft Audit, Finding 11 Military Pay Calculation for July 29, 2013 through June 16, 2014. The Board and Mr. Blass reviewed submitted calculations. The Board instructed Mr. Grasso to submit said calculations to Donny Bodner, for his review as well.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 4:45 pm. to discuss personnel matters.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board came out of Executive Session at 5:00 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Accountant Consulting Services proposal from Alan Blass for 2020-2021 (one year) was approved by the Board as per his proposal.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, April 23, 2020 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2020

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
AUTOMATIC CONTROLS	\$ 7,635.60
FINE LINE SERVICE	150.00
ALL HOURS ENERGY	254.93
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
NYSIF	3,665.94
NATIONL GRID	3,467.28
PETER GERBASI	1,770.00
NY WATER	432.16
STAPLES	211.93
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	438.12
GUARDIAN	4,211.48
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	5,502.00
KS STATEBANK	3,690.10
FRANK'S SUPPLY	9.33
LOWE'S	219.03
GLOBAL FUELING	486.86
CAPITAL ONE CARD	1,595.26
OPTIMUM	554.61
ADP	869.16
STAPLES	381.24
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
NEXTEL	537.46
PSEG	4,616.75
JOHNSON CONTROLS	630.44
PETER GERBASI	1,770.00
STAPLES	206.19
CARD USA	6,300.00
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,806.25
BRINKS	1,083.78
BEST PRODUCTS	470.00
HARDESTY & HANOVER	34,410.85
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,422.00
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,020.00
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	53,631.31

**MEETING OF APRIL 23, 2020** 

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON APRIL 23, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

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#### ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m, via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of March 26, 2020 were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield submitted the following to the Authority:

All flood insurance policies were renewed with the same limits as expiring, \$10,000.00 deductible and a slight increase in premium, Effective 4/13/20.

Mr. Greenfield continues to monitor the industry legislative response to the issue of the business interruption coverage and will report back when there are some developments.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass-April 23, 2020

Mr. Doniel Bodner, CPA, of Morse & Co., the NCBA Independent Auditor, presented the 2019 Certified Audit Report.

Revenue from Operations for 2019 was \$6,335,285 or not was \$93,652 less than 2018.

Operating Expenditures for 2019 of \$4,572,000, excluding depreciation cost of \$2,529,976, reflect an increase of \$361,056 from 2018. This increase was due primarily to an increase of \$149,664 of Salary Cost, \$24,096 Employee Benefits Cost, \$68,572 of Retirement Plan, \$166,850 of Other Post Employee Benefits and \$29,012 of Biennial Inspection Costs. This was offset by a decrease in Repair & Maintenance Cost of \$88,386.

The Change in Net Position for 2019, which is the difference between revenue and expenses was (\$804,073).

The 2019 Covenant Net Revenue of \$2,785,593, which includes the Change in Net Position of (\$804,073) plus the Bond Interest of \$419,450, Other Post-Employment Benefits of \$640,240 and Depreciation of \$2,529,976, significantly exceeded the 2019 Aggregate Debt Service 0f \$669,450 by \$2,116,143.

The Certified Audit Report for the year ended December 31, 2019 was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Bodner reported that he will complete the Nassau County audit requirement by forwarding a copy of the report to the Nassau County Auditors, RSM, US, LLP and the Nassau County Audit Office, as required.

Mr. Blass reported that the New York State Comptroller's Office PARIS reporting is in process and will be completed by April 30, 2020. The PARIS Report is usually due by March 31, but there is a three-month extension to June 30, 2020, due to Corona 19 Virus.

Mr. Blass also reported on the revenues and expenses relating to the first three months of 2020. Operating Revenue for March 2020 was \$202,174, which was \$206,884 less than the revenues for March 2019. This revenue decline was caused by the fact that the NCBA did not collect tolls from cash paying customers for the last two weeks of the March due to the Corona 19 Virus.

For the first three months of 2020 revenues from Operations total \$1,776,740, which is \$203,402 or 10.27% less than revenue for the first three months of 2019.

Total revenue for the first three months of 2020 is only \$9,496 less than total revenue for the first three months of 2019. That is because NCBA was paid \$205,000 in a legal settlement in 2020.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi spoke and reported to the Commissioners that he wanted to reiterate that when the ventilation system is operating properly the toll booths at the Bridge are under positive pressure. That means that air blows out of the booths which would limit the flow of air from the outside into the breathing zone of the Booth personnel.

He also discussed that he was working with Mr. Grasso on procuring an engineering firm to design the elevation of the step down transfer for the Bridge. This RFP will be received in mid-May.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of March, 2020 were approved.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of March 2020.

The YTD overtime listing for March 2020 was down approximately 25.07% compared to March 2019.

Manager Grasso informed the authority that the DMV License plate readers will be installed and will be tested within the next two weeks (Approximately by May 15, 2020.) The cameras have no recording devices for audio.

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That gives people plenty of time to make a payment and doesn't impact our toll schedule at all. Furthermore, Mr. Grasso believes that after the initial notice of the imposition of a penalty fee, they will pay the initial toll willingly. He recommends a penalty fee of \$50 - \$100.

Mr. Grasso informed the commissioners that notification was received from the Nassau County Office of Management and Budget that \$187,500 in Marchiselli Grant funding is owed to the Authority, from the Roadway Approach Project (PIN 058.76.321 that was completed in 2007.

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May 21, 2020	via Video	Conference	(ZOOM)	because of	f ongoing	COVID 1	9 pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2020

DESCRIPTION			Al	MOUNT
WRIGHT FLOOD INSURANCE			\$	49,353.00
ALAN BLASS				6,000.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND				438.12
GUARDIAN				4,211.48
RICHNER COMMUNICATION				45.00
READY REFRESH				66.89
NY WATER				416.48
DELAGE LANDEN				279.00
KORN FERRY				2,240.00
SALERNO BROKERGE				9,548.00
APPRAISAL AFFILIATES				1,200.00
FRANCES RUSSO				400.00
OPTIMUM				553.90
ABRZ				168.00
ADP				587.76
LOWE'S				276.35
ARROW EXTERMINATING				97.00
NYSIF				3,655.94
RICHELIEU				130.28
CAPITAL ONE CARD				1,217.23
PSEG				4,559.33
SHELTER POINT LIFE				244.80
NATIONAL GRID				4,677.83
BANK OF NY MELLON				2,750.00
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE				53,631.31
NGL GROUP				1,850.00
eSCREEN				87.25
BRINKS				1,057.10
HOPKINS & HOPKINS				2,750.00
NEXTEL				152.28
SOUTH SHORE READY MIX				1,230.00
GLOBAL FUELING				776.80
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES				226.74
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**MEETING OF MAY 21, 2020** 

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON APRIL 23, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

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#### ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m, via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of March 26, 2020 were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield submitted the following to the Authority:

All flood insurance policies were renewed with the same limits as expiring, \$10,000.00 deductible and a slight increase in premium, Effective 4/13/20.

Mr. Greenfield continues to monitor the industry legislative response to the issue of the business interruption coverage and will report back when there are some developments.

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James J. Vilardi, Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2020

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
OPTIMUM	\$ 553.90
DE LAGE LANDEN	 279.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	438.12
LOWE'S	466.80
NY WATER	345.06
GUARDIAN	4,209.91
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CAPITAL ONE BANK	447.66
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	466.80
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
ADP	743.28
STAPLES	107.33
ISLAND ELEVATOR	705.00
NYSIF	3,655.92
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
FIVE TOWNS MASON	124.19
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
NATIONAL GRID	3,844.30
PSEG	4,196.15
BRINKS	1,057.10
NEXTEL	152.28
BANK OF NY MELLON	4,000.00
MOODY'S	11,500.00
BEST PFRODUCTS	530.00

**MEETING OF JUNE 18, 2020** 

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON MAY 21, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT:

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m, via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of April 23, 2020 were approved as amended.

### **Insurance Consultants Report**

- ❖ Mr. Greenfield spoke and reported to the Board that he has been working with Nicole Morton at Salerno Brokerage trying to see if he should adjust the payrolls because of the furlough of employees not taking tolls. He is awaiting a revised payroll for the renewal policy starting 7/1/20.
- ❖ He also reported that 19-20 worker's comp. experience modification is .81 or a credit of 19%. The authorities 2021 experience mod is .91, a credit of 9% and an increase of 10%.
- The broker has asked us to review again the option of switching to PERMA, a self-insured group which is subject to comp board approval because we are not a

taxing authority. Since we didn't think that we could get PERMA's approval we didn't do that this year, so, the next 2 choices are Group 90 or Group 497.

- Group 90 has a renewal premium of \$46,000.00 which has no dividend
- Group 497, is a safety group with a dividend. Group 497 is \$62,500 but they project a divot end of \$17,000, which would give a net cost of \$45,000 subject to payroll audit, with an upfront cost of \$12,440 more but at the end there would be a \$6,000 Savings.

I recommend that we stay with Group 90 as per the expiring policy and accept the renewal policy for the coming year.

❖ I continue to monitor the state and federal legislation proposed on the issue of business interruption and will advise any changes to the chairman.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board accepted Mr. Greenfield's recommendation to stay with Group 90 as per the expiring policy and accept the renewal policy for the coming year.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Blass reported that Mr. Bodner, the NCBA auditor, has completed the Nassau County Bridge Authority audit requirement by forwarding a copy of the audit report to the Nassau County Auditors, RSM, US, LLP and the Nassau County Audit Office, as required.

Mr. Blass also reported that he has completed and submitted the New York State Comptroller's Office PARIS reporting. The PARIS Report is usually due by March 31, but there is a three-month extension to June 30, 2020, due to Covid-19 Virus.

Mr. Blass reported that during April 2020, there was no revenue from Operations other than \$4,462 from No Funds and \$1,126 from Nice Buses.

This is because NCBA collected no tolls and sold no decals or cards due to the Covid-19 Virus.

During April 2019, NCBA collected \$406,230 from Operations, resulting in a decline of \$400,643.

For the first four months of 2020 revenues from Operations total \$1,782,328, which is \$611,012 or 125.53% less than revenue for the first four months of 2019. This revenue decline was entirely due to the Covid-19 Virus Shutdown.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of May 2020.

The YTD overtime listing for May 2020 was down approximately 38.19% compared to May 2019.

The Nassau County Bridge Authority Cash Analysis-Unrestricted and Restricted May 2020-April 2020 was presented to the Authority.

Hopkins and Kopilow Counsel to the Board Contract Extension was presented to the Authority. Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Contract Extension was approved. Hopkins and Kopilow, Esqs. is hereby retained to continue to continue to provide legal services to the Nassau County Bridge Authority as General Counsel, at the current annual retainer of \$33,000, payable in equal monthly installments, commencing April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, July 23, 2020 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2020

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
NY WATER	\$ 407.04
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	53, 242.71
STAPLES	132.01
GUARDIAN	4,187.09
HARDESTY & HANOVER	3,096.05
PETER GERBASI	3,540.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	365.10
READY REFRESH	66.89
RASON MATERIALS	1,000.00
CENTRE MILLWORK	251.98
FASTENAL	547.80
FIVE TOWNS MASON	113.39
CIMATO & SONS	299.00
FLOBAL FUNDING	495.00
LOWE'S	1,359.03
CAPITAL ONE CARD	312.89
OPTIMUM	553.89
NYSIF	3,766.93
MORSE & COMPANY	11,500.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
PSEG	3,496.46
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	53,242.71
KS STATEBANK	3,690.00
VICKIELEE VANDENBERG	68.04
PSEG	585.82
NATIONAL GRID	4,424.26

**MEETING OF JULY 23, 2020** 

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JUNE 18, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

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ABSENT:

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m, via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of May 21, 2020 were approved as amended.

A correction was also made to the minutes by Mr. Blass with regard to the Auditors. RSM,US,LLP who were Auditors for the past years to Marks Paneth LLP who are the Auditors for this year.

### **Insurance Consultants Report**

- ❖ Mr. Jeff Greenfield, Insurance Consultant informed the Board Members that all policies with the present brokers are renewed and up to date.
- ❖ He will continue to monitor the Albany Pandemic Bills on business interruption for commercial insurance policies. Specifically, Assemblyman Robert Carroll has

introduced a bill which would allow the Department of Financial Services to create a backstop fund out of the commercial insurance industry surplus capital to reinsure small business interruption losses. At the federal level congress woman Carolyn Maloney has sponsored a bill that would back stop insurers coverage for pandemic events, similar to the Terrorism Re-Insurance Act put together after 911. Last week the NYS Legislature met and didn't consider any bills.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

### Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass – June 18, 2020

Mr. Blass reported that during May 2020, Revenue from Operations totaled \$239,201. This amount was \$373,689 less than the Revenue from Operations for the first five months of 2019.

This is because Revenue was not collected until May 18, 2020 due to Covid-19.

For the first five months of 2020 revenues from Operations total \$2,021,529, which is \$984,701 or 32.76% less than revenue for the first five months of 2019. This revenue decline was entirely due to the Covid-19 Virus Shutdown.

Total revenue for the first five months of 2020 is only \$802,959 less than total revenue for the first five months of 2019. That is because NCBA was paid \$205,000 in a legal settlement in 2020.

Nevertheless, the NCBA cash position for 2020 has still increased by \$508,942. This is \$698,757 or 57.86% less than the cash increase for the first five months of 2019.

Operating expenses for the first five months of 2020 was \$590,513, which was \$7,974 or 1.33% less than 2019.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Manager Grasso reported on behalf of Mr. Gerbasi that LKB Consulting Engineers have initiated their design activities and in the process of finalizing their design alternatives/options report for review. Four options are currently contemplated. After review and discussion, the authority will have to select an option and direct LKB. LKB will then proceed with the detailed design (plans and specifications) of the selected option for bidding. Currently LKB are on schedule and there are no budget issues to discuss.

Upon a motion by Mr Hartstein seconded by Ms Elovich and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of May 2020 were ratified.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of May 2020.

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James J. Vilardi, Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2020

DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
ALBERT KEMPERLE		\$ 140.61
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT		4,656.00
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SPRAGUE		548.64
GLOBAL FUELING		508.37
NY WATER		548.74
CENTRAL LOCK & KEY		270.00
FRANCES RUSSO		400.00
HARDESTY & HANOVER		2,121.73
JOHNSON CONTROLS		630.44
HOPKINS & KOPILOW		2,750.00
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ABRZ		
BEST PRODUCTS		448.00
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RICHNER COMMUNICATION	84	4,203.68
READY REFRESH		142.80
ARROW EXTERMINATING		206.75
MEGAN MUDRY		97.00
BEST PRODUCTS		2.41
ADP		200.00
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1ST. SOURCE BANK		9,824.15
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE		52,854.11
FLEURY RISK MANAGEMENT		6,490.70
SIGNS NOW		1,050.00
ABOFF'S		1,187.37
ALAN BLASS		1,500.00
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES		896.11
STAPLES		112.71
NYSIF		3,766.93
OPTIMUM		556.94
DELL		2,634.77
CAPITAL ONE CARD		914.98
MAYFAIR POWER		1,582.30
FRANK SUPPLY		81.60

LOWE'S	309.49
PSEG	5,268.93
READY REFRESH	256.70
GLOBAL FUELING	491.15
CHEMSEARCH	195.85
MICHAELS ELECTRICAL	279.99
FASTENAL	147.02
CIMATO & SONS	102.00
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
PETER GERBASI	1,770.00
BRINKS	1,057.10
eSCREEN	48.75
NEXTEL	152.62
LOCKWOOD, KESSLER & BARTLETT	8,000.00
STAPLES	264.83
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,750.75
NY WATER	673.12

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JULY 23, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN
VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER
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HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype)) MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of March 26, 2020 were approved as amended.

### **Insurance Consultants Report**

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Mr. Greenfield submitted the following to the Authority:

• I have reviewed the July 1<sup>st</sup> workers compensation renewal policy with the state Insurance fund safety group 90. The deposit premium was \$45,203.19 with the final premium be calculated audit. The current experience modification factor is.91, a credit of 9%. The expiring experience modification was .81, so we lost10%. Flurry Risk Management Services will be billing a fee as in the past for their Services.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - July 23, 2020

Mr. Blass presented the 2020 NCBA Annual Budget to the Board. Operating Revenues are budgeted at \$6,300,000 while Operating Expenditures are budgeted at \$7,517,151. This will result in an estimated loss of \$1,515,201. According to the 2020 Budget, the Bond Covenant will be met. The Net Revenues needed for debt service are \$671.550. It is estimated the Net Revenues, after adding back Interest Expense, Depreciation and Other Post-Employment Benefits for 2020, will equal \$3,648,595, far exceeding the Loan Covenant. The 2020 NCBA Annual Budget will be presented to the NYS Comptroller's Office via the NYS PARIS System during August 2020, before the deadline of September 30, 2010.

Mr. Blass also reported that during June 2020, Revenue from Operations totaled \$559,910. This amount was \$57,282 less than the Revenue from Operations for the first six months of 2019.

For the first six months of 2020 revenues from Operations total \$2,581,439, which is \$1,000,537 or 27.93% less than revenue for the first six months of 2019. This revenue decline was likely entirely due to the Covid-19 Virus Shutdown.

Total revenue for the six months of 2020 is only \$826,056 less than total revenue for the first six months of 2019. That is because NCBA was paid \$205,000 in a legal settlement in 2020.

Nevertheless, the NCBA cash position for 2020 has still increased by \$742,724. This is \$777,850 or 51.16% less than the cash increase for the first six months of 2019.

Operating expenses for the first six months of 2020 was \$632,051, which was \$3,282 or 0.52% more than 2019.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi spoke to the authority about the elevation of the transformer. The Authority has received a design review report and the consultants are considering a new location to relocate and set-up the existing transformer after refurbishing it. The design report was sent to Mr. Grasso and he indicated that he would forward the design drawings to Mr. Gerbasi for review and comments. This work will be done with funds the Authority received from FEMA due to "Sandy" and will result in a flood resistant installation for the transformer.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of June, 2020 were Ratified.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of June, 2020.

The YTD overtime listing for June 2020 was down approximately 32.21% compared to June 2019.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried Four (4) coin Vaults Inventory tag numbers 000369, 000370, 000371, 000372 were declared Surplus/Obsolete and removed from inventory. (They are of no value)

Mr. Blass presented the Nassau County Bridge Authority Annual Budget Operations for 2021 to the Authority. Discussion took place and upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Nassau County Bridge Authority Annual Budget Operations for 2021 were approved.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, August 20, 2020 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2020

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
FRANK SUPPLY	\$ 86.86
PSEG	6,756.03
STAPLES	64.32
ARROW EXTERMINATING	334.00
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	43,605.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	365.10
LOWE'S	647.89
OPTIMUM	556.94
ADP	770.89
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
PARTS AUTHORITY	97.67
GUARDIAN	1,207.60
CAPITAL ONE CARD	1,055.12
ULTIMATE CAR & TRUCK	400.00
CIMATO & SONS	205.00
FIVE TOWNS MASON	386.48
NYSIF	3,766.93
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
NEXTEL	152.62
ISLAND ELEVATOR	678.00
SHELTER POINT	236.70
NY WATER	333.47
STAPLES	158.87
ABRZ INTERNATIONAL	530.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS	2,750.00
NGL GROUP	1,850.00
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	1,571.92
GLOBAL FUELING	551.57
ALL HOURS ENERGY	259.95
PARTS AUTHORITY	349.90
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
BRINKS	1,182.10
MULTI MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS	51,479.00
eSCREEN	38.50
READY REFRESH	106.85
PETER GERBASI	1,770.00

**MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2020** 

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER KEN HEHIR NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr Hartstein and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of July 23, 2020 were approved as amended.

### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Ken Hehir, submitted the following to the Authority:

- 1- Regarding the letter from Reliance Insurance (in liquidation) the NCBA should be receiving a payment of about \$1500 which pertains to returns of premiums that were paid to the carrier in approximately 2001, but were never used. The carrier was put into liquidation and taken over by the NY State Insurance Department. I am sure coverage was immediately replaced however paid premiums were due back to NCBA. The Liquidation Bureau has determined that you will be receiving \$1500.
- 2- When this happens, and a carrier is taken over by the Insurance Department, if there were to be a claim against your policy, the liability would be assumed by the Insurance Department...so there would be no period of "non-coverage". Since this was long before any of

the current board members or our tenure, this is somewhat of a 'best guess" but I am fairly confident in this as I have seen these before.

3- The NCBA had received a quote for "Storage Tank Pollution Liability" from Crum & Foster Insurance. The coverage is for Pollution Liability covering the 3 tanks maintained by the NCBA, 2 underground and 1 above ground. The Pollution Liability limit would be \$1 Million with a \$25,000 deductible and the premium would be \$1278 annually. I would recommend taking the policy as the coverage is very important.

### **Independent Auditors Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - September 24, 2020

Mr. Blass advised the Board that the 2021 NCBA Annual Budget was uploaded to the NYS Comptroller's Office via the NYS PARIS System during September 2020, before the deadline of September 30, 2020.

Mr. Blass also reported that during August 2020, Revenue from Operations totaled \$554,310. This amount was \$53,555 less than the Revenue from Operations for August 2019...

For the first eight months of 2020 revenues from Operations total \$3,724,223, which is \$1,135,131 or 23.36% less than revenue for the first eight months of 2019. This revenue decline was likely entirely due to the Covid-19 Virus Shutdown.

Total revenue for the eight months of 2020 is only \$998,287 less than total revenue for the first eight months of 2019. That is because NCBA was paid \$205,000 in a legal settlement in 2020.

Nevertheless, the NCBA cash position for 2020 has still increased by \$1,352,222. This is \$703,592 or 34.22% less than the cash increase for the first eight months of 2019.

However, a bond principal and interest payment for 2020 in the sum of \$465,975.00 is about to come due, which was already paid by 08-31-19, so the decrease in cash increase for the first eight months of 2020 is approximately \$1 million.

Operating expenses for the first eight months of 2020 was \$721,224, which was \$19,552 or 2.79% more than 2019. This was caused by an extra \$29,329 spent on Biennial Inspection Expense in 2020.

#### Manager's Report

### a. "Cashless" Toll System Pilot and Testing

Manager Grasso reported to the Authority that the cameras are working perfectly. The DMV data to bill the people that run the Plaza is very promising. If it continues this way they the authority will consider adding two more lanes in the future. Discussion took place about the fee to charge and subsequent suspension of registrations for non-payment. It costs approximately \$200.00 to repair the "barrier gate" or "boom gate" at the toll plaza and injuries can happen to the toll station employee. Signs will be posted informing every one of the new system.

#### b. "Off-Contract Pay Increase"

Manger Grasso presented to the Commissioner's correspondence he received received from William Petry, a laborer asking for a salary Increase. Discussion took place and it was agreed upon that since the NCBA Collective Bargaining Agreement does not currently offer any step increases he should speak to the Union delegate.

### c. Salt Dome/Intergovernmental Agreement with NYS DOT

Manager Grasso spoke about the new Salt Dome that was constructed in-house by Mr. Merola and his staff at the Nassau County Bridge Authority at a cost of less than \$100,000. The original bids to build the salt dome ranged from \$450,000.00 to \$770,000.00. The NYS-DOT has agreed to cement the area behind the Salt Dome for the Authority. The NCBA has an inter-governmental Agreement with the NYS-DOT.

#### d. Financial Advisor

#### e. Bicycle Accident

Manager Grasso spoke about the recent Bicycle Accident that occurred on the Bridge. All Insurance papers, etc. have been filed.

## **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi advised the Authority that he will be opening the Bid Documents for the Electrical Transformer Elevation/Relocation on September 25, 2020. After the bid opening Mr. Gerbasi will perform the required bid evaluation and assist with a recommendation and award.

Mr. Gerbasi also spoke about the repair work at the Toll Plaza with regard to the Air Conditioning Systems on the Toll Booths. It is a concern when the temperatures are high or low and the heating/air circulation is not working properly to create positive air pressure within the booths. The Board requested that be addressed as soon as possible either through repair or

replacement. The Chairman requested that Mr. Gerbasi look into using split systems to utilize as an interim measure before the Authority replaces the Toll Plaza Booths.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the months of July/August, 2020 were Ratified.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of August 2020.

The YTD overtime listing for August, 2020 was down approximately 14.42% compared to August 2019.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, October 22, 2020 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 pandemic.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

#### PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2020 DESCRIPTION **AMOUNT** BANK OF NY MELLON \$465,975.00 LEO JACOTIN 8,600.00 **OPTIMUM** 556.94 WOODMERE GLASS 375.00 **ALAN BLASS** 1,500.00 MICHAEL HOPKINS 2,751.00 NYS HEALTH INSURANCE 52,397.51 FIVE TOWS MASON 296.50 **BRINKS** 1,057.10 **NYSIF** 3,776.93 KS STATEBANK 3,690.10 **PSEG** 5,354.50 **GUARDIAN** 3,820.54 **KEVINS TRANSPORTATION** 215.00 GLOBAL FUELING 466.50 LOWE'S 474.82 CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND 389.44 ADP 911.71

**MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 2020** 

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON OCTOBER 22, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT:

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Rosenthal, seconded by Commissioner Hartstein, the Board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Matter.

At 6: 30 p.m. the Board Came out of Executive Session, no votes were taken.

All items scheduled for the October 22, 2020 meeting were tabled for the November 19, 2020 meeting.

This meeting was adjourned.

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James	J.	villardi,	Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2020

DESCRIPTION	<b>AMOUNT</b>
MEDICARE REIMBUSEMENT	\$ 3,904.20
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,338.00
NATIONAL GRID	311.65
SEABOARD MARINE	18,000.00
COLLLISION SPECIALISTS	325.24
NY WATER	531.29
CSEA BENEFIT FUND	340.76
STAPLES	391.36
RUSSO RECYCLING	160.00
NYSIF	3,776.93
CIMATO & SONS	144.00
FRANK SUPPLY	78.08
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	494.85
ULTIMATE CAR AND TRUCK	680.00
SPRAGUE	629.38
GUARDIAN	3,753.70
1 <sup>ST</sup> . SOURCE BANK	9,824.15
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATIONS	105.40
PETER GERBASI	1,770.00
SAFETY KLEEN	421.93
READY REFRESH	186.77
NEXTEL	152.62
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	55,671.38
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD SERVICES	1,518.32
NATIONAL GRID	314.68
LEO JACOTIN	5,900.00
AUTOMATIC CONTROL SYSTEMS	5,031.00
PSEG	5,317.45
LOWE'S	227.12
SHELTER POINT	219.60
SIGNS NOW	1,150.00
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
MINUTEMAN PRESS	469.17
NGL GROUP	1,850.00
GLOBAL FUELING SYSTEMS	5,160.06

**MEETING OF NOVEMBER 19, 2020** 

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON NOVEMBER 19, 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

**ALSO PRESENT:** 

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of October 22, 2020 were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield is actively working with Mike Justynowicz at the Breitstone Agency regarding the renewal of the bridge floater policy. The insurance carrier will only offer a one year renewal and I am in active negations on the renewal premium with the Breitstone Agency and will present at the next meeting my recommendations.

At the request of the chairman he is also monitoring legislation for business interruption coverage. The House of Representatives held hearings on pandemic insurance proposals last week. Representative Carolyn Maloney of NY introduced a bill H.R.7011 known as "Pandemic Risk Insurance Act". I will continue to monitor the progress of that bill and any other proposed legislation.

## **Independent Auditors Report**

## Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - November 19, 2020

\_Mr. Blass reported that during October 2020, Revenue from Operations totaled \$368,239. This amount was \$2,389 more than the Revenue from Operations for October 2019. This was the first month since March 2020, the beginning of COVID-19, that revenues from operations exceeded the revenues from the same month in 2019.

For the first ten months of 2020, revenues from Operations total \$4,520,677, which is \$1,135,525 or 20.08% less than revenue for the first ten months of 2019. This revenue decline was likely entirely due to the Covid-19 Virus Shutdown.

Total revenue for the first ten months of 2020 is only \$827,070 less than total revenue for the first ten months of 2019. That is because NCBA was paid \$205,000 in a legal settlement and a Marchiselli Grant of \$187,500 in 2020.

Nevertheless, the NCBA cash position for 2020 has still increased by \$1,512,230. This is \$619,892 or 29.07% less than the cash increase for the first ten months of 2019.

Operating expenses for the first ten months of 2020 was \$811,611, which was \$115,334 or 12.44 % less than 2019.

Finally, Mr. Blass reported that he continues to work with Vincent, Rosemarie and the NCBA Board in response to the "NCBA Limited Review Report" prepared by the Nassau County Comptroller's Office.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi spoke to the commissioner's about the repair work at the Toll Plaza with regard to the Air Conditioning/Heating Systems on the Toll Booths. It is a concern now that the Toll Booths do not have heat as the weather is changing and the temperature drops. Mr. Gerbasi continues to look into the use of mini requested by the Chairman. Mr. Gerbasi said it is imperative that the heat be fixed as soon as possible. Based on preliminary quotes, minimal repair cost to get the booths through the winter with comfortable temperatures for the toll collectors is between \$6,000.00 and \$7,500.00.

Mr. Gerbasi also spoke about the repair of the leaking Roadway Hatch. During rain events water is leaking into the Machine Room through the present hatch. The present hatch is 2 plates split down the middle. Mr. Gerbasi suggested Hardesty and Hanover design and specify a single piece replacement hatch similar to a water tight manhole cover.

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of October 2020 were ratified.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of October 2020.

The YTD overtime listing for October, 2020 was down approximately 1.65% compared to October 2020.

Manager Vincent Grasso spoke about the cash analysis. The Authority is in very good shape. The Capital Budget is fully funded.

Manager Vincent Grasso also spoke about "Omnia" a Procurement "Piggy Backing" Company where one governmental entity will extend the pricing and terms of their contract to other. It's competitively awarded and will include language allowing other governmental entities to utilize the contract. Here in New York you must purchase the exact same item-using the same terms and conditions as presented in the original solicitation. With "Cooperative Procurement" the action taken when two or more entities combine their requirements to obtain advantages of volume purchases, including administrative savings and other benefits. A variety of arrangements, whereby two or more public procurement entities (or agencies) purchase frim the same supplier or multiple suppliers using a single invitation for Bids (IFB) and more request for Proposals (RFP).

The Authority will find the use "Omnia" very advantageous. Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board approved joining "Omnia".

Counsel Michael Hopkins spoke to the Authority about the recent Labor Grievance. Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried. Be it **RESOLVED**, that MTH & Assocs. invoices both dated 11.17.20 in the matters of Vuono and Roth be and both are approved for payment.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, December 17, 2020 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 pandemic.

James	J.	Vilardi,	Chairman	
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## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2020

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
BRYANT A/C	\$ 200.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
GUARDIAN	3,509.26
LOCKWOOD, KESSLER & BARTLETT	26,000.00
PETER GERBASI	1,770.00
BEST PRODUCTS	265.00
CSEA	365.10
JOHNSON CONTROLS	693.21
MICHAEL HOPKINS	5.503.00
NY AMERICAN WATER	478.55
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
SALERNO BROKERAGE	1,476.18
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
STAPLES	138.91
READY REFRESH	146.81
PARTS AUTHORITY	39.99
WOODMERE GLASS	400.00
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	956.02
NYS INDUSTRIES FOR DISABLED	534.96
FORTE RTS	2,153.00
PSEG	12.96
CAPITAL ONE CARD	673.35
NEW ERA APPAREL	2,560.00
NY LABOR LAW POSTER	172.00
NYS RETIREMENT SYSTEM	268,866.00
PSEG	4,781.33
FIVE TOWNS MASON	164.95
NATIONAL GRID	1,269.60
OPTIMUM	1,059.96
NYSIF	3,776.93
LOWE'S	177.49
MULTI - MEDIA COMMUNICATIONS	21,400.00
WELDON, WILLIAMS & LICK	2,654.42
ADP	1,393.40
GLOBAL FUELING	621.22
NEXTEL	305.34
BRINKS	1,082.19
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	50,416.73
ISLAND ELEVATOR	678.00
MY FRIENDS CONSTRUCTION	24,000.00
FRANK SUPPLY	159.02

MEETING OF DECEMBER 17, 2020

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON DECEMBER 17. 2020 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

JEFFREY GREENFIELD NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS, ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

**ALSO PRESENT:** 

Manager Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m., via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of COVID 19 Pandemic.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of November 19. 2020 were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

The state insurance fund worker's compensation audit for the period 7/1/19-7/1/20 was issued with an additional premium of \$1,398.71.

The Renewal Bridge Floater policy with Ace American Insurance Co, through the Breitstone Insurance Agency was increased to \$141,657 and I am exploring an increase in the deductible as the request of the commissioners, to a \$5 million deductible.

Salerno Brokerage Insurance renewal proposal for the liability and the property coverage of the Bridge offices and buildings is being renewed with Zurich Insurance Co. at an increase in premium from the prior period which was \$144,000 and is now \$160,472.

Salerno Brokerage secured an alternate quote with National Union Insurance Co, and there premium was \$169,000. I recommend the renewal policy with the Zurich package.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms Elovich and unanimously carried the Board voted to accept the recommendation by Mr. Greenfield of the Zurich Package for Th Bridge Floater

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

### Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass - December 17, 2020

Mr. Blass reported that during November 2020, Revenue from Operations totaled \$312,445. This amount was \$33,003 less than the Revenue from Operations for November 2019.

For the first 11 months of 2020, Revenues from Operations total \$4,833,122, which is \$1,168,528 or 19.47% less than revenue for the first 11 months of 2019. This revenue decline was likely entirely due to the Covid-19 Virus Shutdown.

Total Revenue for the first 11 months of 2020 is only \$869,237 or 14.12% less than total revenue for the first 11 months of 2019. That is because NCBA was paid \$205,000 in a legal settlement and a Marchiselli Grant of \$187,500 in 2020.

Payroll and related expenses for the first 11 months of 2020 was \$2,803,570, which was \$83,649 or 2.90% less than 2019.

Operating expenses for the first 11 months of 2020 was \$848,041, which was \$117,975 or 12.21% less than 2019.

Nevertheless, the NCBA cash position for 2020 has still increased by \$1,321,339. This is \$660,113 or 33.31% less than the cash increase for the first 11 months of 2019.

Finally, Mr. Blass reported that he continues to work with Vincent, Rosemarie and the NCBA Board in response to the "NCBA Limited Review Report" prepared by the Nassau County Comptroller's Office.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi reported the following after the meeting: Evaluation work on the toll booth HVAC system was performed and repair/maintenance activities have been scheduled for the spring of 2021. The work will focus on restoring function for BOTH Heating and Cooling for at least 3 of the existing rooftop mechanical units."

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the paid vouchers for the month of November 2020 were ratified.

Mr. Alan Blass submitted to the Board his Accounting Consultant Proposal for 2021 and 2022 as follows:

Coordinate with the external auditors about various requirements of the NCBA audit.

- Share and explain all our NCBA work papers from our prior audits.
- Review various accounting entries and calculations prepared by NCBA personnel, as requested.
- Review all payroll Reports, as requested.
- Prepare annual 1099's and 1098.
- Monitor and ensure continuing proper internal accounting policies and procedures, as reports.
- Prepare and ensure compliance with all New York State Controller mandated PARIS reports.
- Assist with the preparation of the Annual and Monthly Budgets.
- Prepare monthly Budget Variance Reports; and
- Attend any NVBA Board meeting, s requested.

Our annual fee will continue to be \$18,000 per year and the NCBA will be billed \$1,500 per month. Beginning January 1, 2021

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board voted to unanimously accept Mr. Blass's proposal.

An On-Call Bridge Engineering Services One Year Contract Letter for the Atlantic Beach Bridge was submitted by Hardesty and Hanover. This On-Call bridge engineering service is for an as-needed basis for a one-year period beginning on the date of acceptance of their letter submitted by Hardesty & Hanover. This would include a 24 hours per day 7 days per week response to any critical issues that may arise with the structural, mechanical or electrical systems of the bridge. The billing fee will be the number of hours worked times the employee's current hourly rate times a 2,75 multiplier which includes Hardesty & Hanover's overhead and profit.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board voted to unanimously accept the On-Call Bridge Engineering Services One Year Contract-Atlantic Beach Bridge.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Statistics for the month of November 2020.

The YTD overtime listing for November 2020 was down approximately 0.75% compared to November 2020.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday, January 21, 2021 via Video Conference (ZOOM) because of ongoing COVID 19 Pandemic.

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2020

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
GLOBAL FUELING	\$ 597.92
AROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
NY WATER	365.14
STAPLES	447.04
GUARDIAN	3,672.28
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
PETER GERBASI	1,770.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	365.10
READY REFRESH	196.76
CARD USA	9,450.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
NATIONAL GRID	1,969.62
STAPLES	792.44
AUTOMATIC CONTROL SYSTEMS	5,531.00
MICHAEL HOPKINS	3,429.25
KS STATEBANK	3,690.10
NGL GROUP	1,850.00
NYSIF	3,776.93
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
ADP	603.25
FRANK SUPPLY	1,641.29
JOHNSON CONTROLS	674.58
PSEG	5,168.91
OPTIMUM	566.80
MINUTEMAN PRESS	156.64
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	51,059.95
BRINKS	1,057.10
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
HARDESTY & HANOVER	5,580.89
LOWE'S	423.40
CAPITAL ONE CARD	71.66
SPRINT	152.67
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	3,904.20
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,338.00

**MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2021** 

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JANUARY 17, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER (Video Conference)

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

ALAN BLASS, INDEPENDENT AUDITOR (Skype)

KEN HEHIR, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGINEERING CONSULTANT

ABSENT:

STANLEY KOPILOW, COUNSEL RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

ALSO PRESENT: NICHOLAS MIRAGLIA, ESQ

Manager Vincent Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Mrs. Elovich and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of December 15, 2018 were approved subject to any changes amended by Chairman Vilardi.

## **Insurance Consultants Report**

The Package Policy for the NCBA was renewed on 12/31/18. The binders and invoices were forwarded and reviewed for accuracy. They were correct according to the proposals for renewal.

When the actual policies are received, they will be reviewed and sent to the NCBA for the files.

The Board Members also asked that the Insurance Agent and NGL forward a review of the bidding and renewal process including carriers approached and any other bids received. This will be forwarded soon.

## **Independent Auditors Report**

## Minutes on Accounting NCBA Accounting Report by Alan Blass - January 17, 2019

Mr. Blass informed that the 2018 Audit will begin by Daniel Bodner of Morse & Co. during the week of 01-21-19.

Mr. Blass also informed the Board that the 1099's and W-2 were in the process of review and would be ready for release in a few days, in compliance with requirements.

Mr. Blass also announced that he has almost completed the 2019 Monthly Budget for review, which will be used in Monthly Budget Variance Reports.

Mr. Blass presented the Budget Variance Report for the month ended December 31, 2018.

Revenue from Operations of \$345,490 for December 2018 was less than Revenues from Operations for December 2017, by \$5,641.

For the 12 months ended December 31, 2018, Revenue from Operations of \$6,427,598 is down by \$17,542 from the 12 months of 2017, which equates to a 0.27% decrease. This decrease is due to a decrease in Decal sales, including both initial sales and renewals of \$15,180 and offset by an increase of \$2.00 fares and pass cards of \$15,028.

Other Income of \$72,760 for 2018 was down by \$15,252 from 2017 due primarily to the \$11,596 received from FEMA for Hurricane Sandy in 2017.

Payroll and related expenses for the 12 months of 2018 of \$2,955,718 was \$200,558 or 6.35% less than 2017. This was due primarily to a \$42,265 cost of overtime salary and \$63,341 less of required pension plan contributions.

Operating Expenses for the 12 months of 2018 of \$968,405 was \$81,317 or 9.17% more than 2017. This was caused by increased Biennial Inspection Expense (\$37,440), Toll Lane Maintenance Expense (\$15,691), FEMA Mitigation Expenses (\$50,772), Henry Marine Claim Fees (\$19,856) and Posillico Claim Fees (\$3,030). This is offset by a decrease in Insurance

Expense (\$13,371) Professional Fees (\$16,444), Repairs and Maintenance (\$23,287) and Utilities (\$29,079).

The unadjusted net loss for the 12 months of 2018 of (\$22,700) was \$420,305 less than the loss of \$443,005 12 months of 2017.

The NCBA cash position increase for the 12 months of 2018 was \$2,249,106.

This amount was \$200,519 more than the cash increase for the 12 months of 2017, which was \$2,048,587.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

### Mr. Gerbasi did not have anything to report

Mrs. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Reports/Financials for December 2018.

Mrs. Evola presented the Overtime Analysis biweekly comparison 2018 to 2017. Overtime is down approximately by approximately 21%.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of December, 2018 was approved.

Mr. Grasso advised the Board Members that the authority is fully prepared for the pending storm.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the meeting was adjourned at 5:07p.m.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday February 7, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2019

DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
SPRAGUE		670.74
ADP		260.52
DE LAGE LANDEN		279.00
CSEA		462.24
PETER GERBASI		1,610.00
GUARDIAN		4,021.42
CARD USA		6,300.00
FASTENAL		53.90
STAPLES		365.71
WOODMERE GLASS		850.00
OPTIMUM		518.94
1 <sup>ST</sup> . SOURCE BANK		9,824.15
ALAN BLASS		1,500.00
PSEG		10,780.82
HARDESTY & HANOVER		13,730.70
FRANCES RUSSO		375.00
BREITSTONE & CO.	[1	118,828.00
SALERNO BROKERAGE	1	137,563.88
NY WATER		229.64
READY REFRESH		176.78
NYSIF		4,244.29
AIRWELD		14.45
MICHAEL'S ELECTRICAL		119.38
STAPLES		88.30
ADP		317.20
NATIONAL GRID		3,425.59
CAPITAL ONE CARD SERVICES		696.71
ARROW EXTERMINATING		237.00
DUNBAR ARMORED		1,057.10
LOWE'S		249.29
SHELTER POINT LIFE		244.80
NEXTEL		152.31
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE		52,644.09
FRANK'S SUPPLY		319.60

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 7, 2019

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON FEBRUARY 7, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER (Video Conference)

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER ALAN BLASS, INDEPENDENT AUDITOR (Skype) JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

MICHAEL HOPKINS, COUNSEL

ABSENT: PETER GERBASI, ENGINEERING

ALSO PRESENT:

Manager Vincent Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Mrs. Elovich and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of January 17, 2019 were approved subject to any changes amended by Chairman Vilardi.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

The Board Members asked that the Insurance Agent and NGL forward a review of the bidding and renewal process including carriers approached and any other bids received. This is the listing that Mr. Greenfield received from Garber Atlas Fries and Associates, Inc. Insurance Co. 3070 Lawson Blvd. Oceanside, New York will be forwarded soon.

2018 Markets Approached and Responses

Property

Carrier

Response

Great American

Blocked

Arch Aspen Great Lakes (Munich Re)

RLI/Mt. Hawley

Seneca Custom Property

Starr Specialty

WKFC (Chubb Custom)

Quoted competitively Cleared-not quoted Declined-Appetite Declined-Appetite Declined-Appetite Cleared-not quoted Declined-Appetite

General Liability/Auto/Professional/EPLI

CarrierResponseGreat AmericanBlockedHudsonBlockedBritBlocked

Utica National Travelers Seneca

Safety National

Chubb

Philadelphia Liberty Mutual Scottsdale

Argonaut/Colony

Gen Star Northfield Declined out of appetite

Can only consider with a \$50k

retention on GL

Declined out of appetite Declined out of appetite

insufficient – insufficient time to

review

Declined – prohibited class Declined out of appetite Declined – out of appetite

## **Independent Auditors Report**

Alan Blass informed the Board that the annual audit for the year ended 12/31/18 has begun.

He was informed by Doniel Bodner, the independent auditor from Morse & Co., that the NCBA Annual Audited Financial Statement will be complete by March 15 2019, in time to be presented at the March 2019 Board Meeting.

There was no report on the January 2019 Budget Variance Report because the month of January 2019 was not yet closed due to the early date of the Board Meeting.

January and February 2019 Budget Variance Reports will both be presented at the March 2019 Board Meeting.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi was absent.

Mrs. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Reports/Financials for January 2019.

Mrs. Evola presented the Overtime Analysis biweekly comparison 2018 to 2017. Overtime is down approximately by approximately 21%.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of January 2019 was approved.

Mr. Grasso advised the Board Members that the authority is fully prepared for the pending winter storms.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board went into executive Session at 4:30 p.m.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board came out of executive session at 5:30 p.m.

Discussion took place with regard to the Henry Marine Litigation and Management Survey, Analysis and Proposal as follows:

### Resolution for Management Proposal

The Nassau County Board of Commissioners takes this opportunity to recognize the performance of Mr. Vincent Grasso.

- Reduction of the NCBA Work Force by 60%,
- Automating more than 75% of toll operations,
- Successful completion of two major infrastructure projects totaling more than \$20 Million on time and under budget within the constraints of a \$12 million borrowing cap,
- Funding of more than 90% of future obligations, such as capital plan and accrued time,

The NCBA Board of Commissioners wishes to acknowledge that the median salaries for other municipal managers in the local area are far in excess of those paid to Mr. Grasso. Recent new hires in the Town of Hempstead and Nassau County (both of which are under severe fiscal stress) for municipal managers start at \$179,000, often with no supervisory or budget responsibilities, such as those managed by the NCBA Management Team. The NCBA Board of Commissioners have followed a strict, conservative fiscal policy which has put the Authority on universally acknowledged sound financial ground and we wish to continue

that. As such, while we recognize that the performance of Mr. Grasso far exceed those of their

peers, in keeping with that policy, we cannot match the salaries of their peers.

Furthermore, the deserved increases will be phased in over three years of employment to lessen the financial impact. The schedule is:

	Manager
September 1, 2018 -	\$132,000
January 1, 2020 -	\$145,080
January 1, 2021 -	\$150,000

## Resolution for Management Proposal

The Nassau County Board of Commissioners takes this opportunity to recognize the performance of the NCBA Deputy manager Ms. Rosemarie Evola.

- Consistent budget surpluses every year,
- Unprecedented bond upgrade from Moody's Rating Service as well as notations from Moody's praising the fiscal management of the Authority,
- Accrual of more than \$7.5 Million in cash reserves

The NCBA Board of Commissioners wishes to acknowledge that the median salaries for other municipal managers in the local area are far in excess of those paid to Mrs. Evola. Recent new hires in the Town of Hempstead and Nassau County (both of which are under severe fiscal stress) for municipal managers start at \$179,000, often with no supervisory or budget responsibilities, such as those managed by the NCBA Management Team.

The NCBA Board of Commissioners have followed a strict, conservative fiscal policy which has put the Authority on universally acknowledged sound financial ground and we wish to continue that. As such, while we recognize that the performance of Mrs. Evola far exceed those of their peers, in keeping with that policy, we cannot match the salaries of their peers.

Furthermore, the deserved increases will be phased in over three years of employment to lessen the financial impact. The schedule is:

Deputy Manager

September 1, 2018 - \$120,000

January 1, 2020 - \$126,000 January 1, 2021 - \$132,000

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday March 28, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
NY WATER	\$ 43.91
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	462.24
ALL HOURS ENERGY	1,189.67
FRFANK SUPPLY	212.69
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
GUARDIAN	4,021.42
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	45.00
HINCK	516.96
STAPLES	173.76
ALERE SCREEN	87.00
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
NGL GROUP	1,850.00
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
ADP	262.23
NCBA MORSE & COMPANY	710.00
LOWE'S	11,500.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	112.07
HENRICH	45.00 590.61
STAPLES	222.20
NYSIF	4,244.29
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	112.80
ADP	525.11
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	529.73
READY REFRESH	166.79
NATIONAL GRID	4,476.53
ISLAND ELEVATOR	654.00
WELDON, WILLIAMS & LICK	2,552.00
PSEG	5,871.67
OPTIMUM	518.94
AIRWELD	14.45
DUNBAR	1,057.10
CENTRAL LOCK & KEY	74.50
HARDESTY & HANOVER	12,174.01
SALERNO FRANCES RUSSO	2,495.00
MAYFAIR POWER	375.00
AUTOMATIC CONTROL	1,623.80 426.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD	75.50
NY6S HEALTH INSURANCE	57,472.28
MORSE & COMPANY	11,500.00
HENRICH	1,455.66
	1,100.00

FORTE RTS PETER GERBASI	2,116.00 1,695.00
ALERE ESCREEN	87.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
BANK OF NY MELLON	210,975.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,753.00
FRANK SUPPLY	25.45
CARAH SOFT	2,070.00
ADP	274.24
WRIGHT NATIONAL INSURANCE	46,784.00
ALL HOURS ENERGY	1,341.88
NEXTEL	152.31
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00

MEETING OF MARCH 28, 2019

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON MARCH 28, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

**HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER (Video Conference)** 

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT

DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

MICHAEL HOPKINS, COUNSEL STANLEY KOPILOW, COUNSEL

ABSENT: PETER GERBASI, ENGINEERING ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT: BILL HOLTZMEYER, NASSAU COUNTY
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE
AURORA SCIFO, NASSAU COUNTY COMPTROLLERS

**OFFICE** 

Manager Vincent Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board went into executive Session at 4:30 p.m.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the Board came out of executive session at 4:57 p.m.

Discussion took place with regard to Poscillico Litigation and Henry Marine Litigation.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of February 7, 2019 were approved subject to amendments made by Chairman Vilardi.

**Insurance Consultants Report** 

Mr. Greenfield advised the Board that the Glatfelter Program was recently purchased by AIG Insurance Company.

As such, the State Insurance Fund, cannot recognize Glatfelter Brokerage Services as the Account Representative, as they are now an Insurance Company.

John Fleury, the Glatfelter Brokerage Services Manager, has formed his own company to continue to represent the public entities of the Safety Group, as well as Group 90 policyholders, so that there is a seamless transition.

These policies will no longer be able to be serviced by Glatfelter after 4/1, so we would need to submit BORs to NYSIF updating the policy Representative.

The letter simply needs to request NYSIF revise the policy Representative to Fleury Risk Management effective April 3, 2019. Please transpose the attached letter onto village letterhead, sign and e-mail back to my office. We will file with Fleury Management and the State Insurance Fund.

There will be no additional fee charged on these policies for the April-July 2019 period.

The transfer will allow Fleury Risk Management to continue to service the policy.

## **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Doniel Bodner, CPA, of Morse & Co., the NCBA Independent Auditor, presented the 2018 Certified Audit Report.

Revenue from Operations for 2018 was \$6,428,937 was \$18,317 less than 2017.

Operating Expenditures for 2018 of \$4,210,944, excluding depreciation cost of \$2,328,591, reflect a decrease of \$223,934 from 2017. This decrease was due primarily to a decrease of \$193,929 in employee benefits cost and retirement plan contributions of \$98,351. This was offset by an increase in other post-employment benefits cost of \$84,626. This increase was caused by new GASB accounting reporting regulations.

The 2018 Change in Net Position for 2018, which is the difference between revenue and expenses was (\$452,962).

The 2018 Covenant Net Revenue of \$2,778,169, which includes the Change in Net Position (\$452,962) plus the Bond Interest of \$429,150, Other Post-Employment Benefits of \$473,390 and Depreciation of \$2,328,591, significantly exceeded the 2018 Aggregate Debt Service 0f \$679,150 by \$2,099,019.

The Certified Audit Report for the year ended December 31, 2018 was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Bodner reported that he will complete the Nassau County audit requirement by forwarding a copy of the report to the Nassau County Auditors, RSM, US, LLP and the Nassau County Audit Office, as required.

Mr. Blass reported that the New York State Comptroller's Office PARIS reporting is in process and will be completed by March 31, 2018, as required.

Mr. Blass also reported that the Operating Revenue for the first two months of 2018 of \$1,571,085 was \$31,189 or 2.03% more than the first two months of 2018.

Mr. Doniel Bodner, Auditor and Alan Blass Financial Consultant presented the Authority with the 2018 Nassau County Bridge Authority Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Report year ended December 31, 2018. Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the 2018 Nassau County Bridge Authority Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report year ended December 31, 2018 was unanimously approved.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

#### Mr. Gerbasi was absent.

Mr. Grasso presented the following Memorandum from Peter Gerbasi, P.E. to the Authority regarding the **Bridge Rating Issue**.

As requested by the Authority, Hardesty & Hanover performed an analysis of the Atlantic Beach Bridge for Emergency Vehicle loads (EV2 and EV3 as required by the FAST ACT.

The Fast Act rating results were submitted to Vincent Grasso (February 28, 2019 and the document included a summary memo and the calculations as requested by the FHWA. The results of the analysis indicate that ten (10) structural bridge members do not adequately rate for the EV 3 loading. These members include FB. 1 and 2 on each leaf of the bascule spam and the main girders of the north and south flanking spans adjacent to the bascule span.

To address this issue, there are three (3) options available that the Authority can pursue. The three options are:

- 1. Strengthen these members under a design and construction contract.
- 2. Contact the local firehouses/emergency responders on both the Atlantic Beach and Lawrence sides of the bridge and ask for a complete list of the type and axle weights of each emergency vehicle they currently have in use, or
- 3. Load post the bridge for the EV3 vehicle.

Since the EV 3 vehicle has a very heavy loading with tight axle spacing it is highly unlikely that the local fire departments possess a piece of equipment coming even close to this loading configuration. With that in mind, H & H recommended that NCBA pursue option 2 which might cost the NCBA between 10,000 and 20,000. Once H & H receives and reviews the equipment list and determines that the EV3 load is presently not a reality for this bridge they can amend/finalize their memo to state that. After submission of the revised memorandum to FHWA, it would ultimately be up to FHWA to determine if that approach is adequate. If the FHWA is not satisfied, they may ask the Authority to load post the bridge as stated below. This posting which would not carry a significant cost, would not be a significant issue because EV3 loading is a special load case and has little or nothing to do with legal truck loads or bridge structure deterioration.

Should the Authority wish to not have the bridge load posted, they can always let a contract to design and install strengthening repairs for the ten (10) bridge members in question. However this option could cost in the ballpark of \$1,000,000.00.

Mr. Kopilow, Counsel to the Authority recommended options 2 and 3.

- 2- Contact the local firehouses/emergency responders on both the Atlantic Beach and Lawrence sides of the bridge and ask for a complete list of the type and axle weights of each emergency vehicle they currently have in use and
- 3- Load post the bridge for the EV3 vehicle.

Mr. Greenfield would also like Insurance Certificates mailed to Insurance Carrier with regard to the above..

Mrs. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Reports/Financials for February 2019.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal seconded by Mrs. Elovich and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of February 2019 was approved.

Mr. Grasso, Manager has received orders to be mobilized to Active Duty Military status effective April 12, 2019 for up to 365 Days.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday

April 11, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

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## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
BEST PRODUCTS	\$ 470.00
NYSIF	4,244.29
READY REFRESH	166.79
NATIONAL GRID	4,143.72
HARDESTY & HANOVER	5,609.94
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
NY WATER	251.01
SALERNO BROKERAGE	9,269.00
CSEA BENEFIT FUND	462.24
KS STATEBANK	3,690.10
GUARDIAN	4,021.42
ADP	721.73
LOWE'S	178.40
OPTIMUM	535.75
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,422.00
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,020.00
NY HEALTH INSURANCE	56,005.86
SAFETY KLEEN	421.93
ABRZ	24.00
PSEG	5,507.04
NEXTEL	152.31
DUNBAR	1,057.10
ALL HOLDS ENERGY	14.45
ALL HOURS ENERGY	2,424.53
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
KORN FERRY	5,880.00
STAPLES HENRICH	289.99
PARTS AUTHORITY	695.60
CARD USA	93.84
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	6,300.00
JOHNSON CONTROLS	45.00 589.20
SCHWING ELECTRICAL	
SPRAGUE	13,238.10 770.54
ADP	581.90
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
FRANK SUPPLY	39.68
CAPITAL ONE CARD	1,770.65
OTH TITLE OTTE CHIED	1,770.03

MEETING OF APRIL 11,2019

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON APRIL 11, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER (Video Conference)

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT

JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

STANLEY KOPILOW, COUNSEL

ABSENT: PETER GERBASI, ENGINEERING RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: BILL HOLTZMEYER, NASSAU COUNTY COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE JUDITH MUSSINGS, NASSAU COUNTY COMPTROLLERS OFFICE

Manager Vincent Grasso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Michael Kolb and Josh Klapper from TTI Consulting made an in depth presentation outlining Power Points as to the benefits of implementing an Easy Pass Program for the Nassau County Bridge Authority.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of March 28, 2019 were approved.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield advised the Board that everything is in order and all Insurance Certificates have been presented to him.

### **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Blass reported that Mr. Bodner completed the Nassau County audit requirements by forwarding a copy of the report to the Nassau County Auditors, RSM, US, LLP and the Nassau County Audit Office.

Mr. Blass reported that the New York State Comptroller's Office PARIS reporting has been completed and submitted by March 31, 2018, as required.

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for March 31, 2019, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$409,058 for March 2019 was more than Revenues from Operations for March 2018, by \$5,771.

For the three months ended March 31, 2019, Revenue from Operations of \$1,980,142 is up by \$36,959 from the first three months of 2018, which equates to a 1.90% increase. Most of this increase - \$26,312 - is from \$2.00 fares and pass cards.

Payroll and related expenses for the first three months of 2019 of \$692,101 was \$45,292 or 7.00% more than 2018.

Operating Expenses for the first three months of 2018 of \$506,154 was \$5,672 or 1.13% more than 2018. Insurance Expense was \$22,224 less than the first three months of 2018. This is offset by a \$21,134 increase in Repair and Maintenance Cost.

The net income/ (loss) for the first three months of 2019 of (\$30,010) was \$161,952 less than 2016. This is mostly because Bond Interest Expense of \$210,975 was \$103,088 more than 2018 due to a timing difference. The NCBA cash position increase for the first three months of 2019 of \$610,943 was \$88,944 less than the 2018 cash increase of \$699,887.

### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi was absent.

Mr. Grasso submitted to the Board the Nassau County Bridge Authority Original Cost Report prepared Appraisal Affiliates, Inc. with regard to the 2018 Deletions of fully depreciated surplus equipment. Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried 1 Laser Reader, 3 UPS's and 1 Monitor which were listed as fully depreciated equipment per the 2018 Inventory Listing by Appraisal Affiliates, Inc. were deleted.

Mrs. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Reports/Financials for March, 2019.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of March 2019 was approved.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday May 16,2019 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

## PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
SHELTERPOINT LIFE	\$ 254.40
CAPITAL ONE CARD	6,740.77
PSEG	5,355.52
LOWE'S	162.47
DUNBAR ARMORED	1,057.10
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
NCBA	671.65
GUARDIAN	4,105.85
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
FRANK SUPPLY	362.71
1 <sup>ST</sup> SOURCE BANK	9,824.15
NGL GROUP	1,850.00
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
MALVESE	2,733.29
CSEA	488.14
NY WATER	272.15
READY REFRESH	66.89
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
NATIONAL GRID	3,621.13
NYSIF	4,244,29
STAPLES	174.81
O'LEARY CONSTRUCTION	20,500.00
SEVILLE CENTRAL MIX	3,000.00
PARTS AUTHORITY	293.38
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
HARDESTY & HANOVER	983.20
RICHELIEU	334.33
SOUTH SHORE READY MIX	738.00
STICKERPOINT USA	75.00
BANK OF NY MELLON	2,750.00
APPRAISAL AFFILIATES	1,200.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	45.00
AIRWELD	14.45
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
JILLIAN DUTRA	130.00
AV OUTLET 0.00 VOIDED, PAYED BY CREDIT CARD	
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	56,005.86
ADP	268.16
PSEG	11.78
JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	626.91

**MEETING OF APRIL11, 2019** 

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON MAY 16, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

**HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER (Video Conference)** 

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER (SKYPE) ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT by Telephone

NICHOLAS MIRAGLIA, COUNSEL

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER
ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER
DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR
JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

ALSO PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL STATION MANAGER

Deputy Manager Rosemarie Evola called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of April 11, 2019 were approved.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield was absent. His report was tabled for the June 18, 2019 meeting. The Board instructed Mrs. Evola to contact Mr. Greenfield and have him solicit a quote from PERMA for the upcoming renewal of the NCBA's Workers Compensation Policy.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for April 30, 2019, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$413,197 for April 2019 was less than Revenues from Operations for April 2018, by \$6,221.

For the four months ended April 30, 2019, Revenue from Operations of \$2,393,339 is up by \$30,738 from the first four months of 2018, which equates to a 1.30% increase. Most of this increase - \$17,595 - is from \$2.00 fares and pass cards.

Payroll and related expenses for the first four months of 2019 of \$906,829 was \$63,899 or 7.58% more than 2018. This should reduce this month when reversing entries are entered.

Operating Expenses for the first four months of 2018 of \$549,401 was \$18,042 or 3.18%% less than 2018. Insurance Expense was \$31,224 less than the first four months of 2018. This is offset by a \$20,438 increase in Repair and Maintenance Cost.

The net income/ (loss) for the first four months of 2019 of (\$79,723) was \$188,279 less than 2018. This is mostly because Bond Interest Expense of \$210,975 was \$103,088 more than 2018 due to a timing difference. The NCBA cash position increase for the first four months of 2019 of \$774,881 was \$90,935 less than the 2018 cash increase of \$865,817

# **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi continues to work with Mr. Merola on the in house construction of the Salt Dome. Discussion took place with regard to consideration of the need for bracing the walls to allow their use as a "push Wall".

Discussion was held with regard to a collapsing roadway on the northwest side of the toll plaza. Mr. Gerbasi advised Mr. Merola and Mrs. Evola to check with the Nassau County Highway Maintenance Department as to culvert ownership. He feels that the culvert underneath it could be County property. Mr. Merola will call first and then send a letter. It is a Highway Safety issue.

Correspondence was received from an Atlantic Beach resident who complained about litter, uncut grass, and potholes on Acapulco Street and the Paddle Ball Courts. Mrs. Evola and Mr. Merola will contact the Mayor of Atlantic Beach, and Denise Ford for help with these matters. The Atlantic Beach Fire Rescue may be interested in using it for parking and might refurbish the area. In the meantime the grass has been cut.

Mrs. Evola presented to the Board:

# THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY PART-TIME TOLL COLLECTORS LISTING MAY 2018

#### HOURLY RATE INCREASE FOR PART-TIMERS

NAME		START DATE	# OF YEARS IN 2019:	CURRENT HOURLY RATE:	PROPOSED HOURLY RATE:
1. P. CA	APARELLI	4/18/1994	25	\$12.50	\$18.00
2. J. D'	AUGUSTINO	11/24/1995	24	\$12.50	\$18.00
3. M. B	ONZIGLIA	05/16/2016	3	\$12.00	\$14.00
4. A. CI	LARKE	09/17/2016	3	\$12.00	\$14.00
5. J. AL	EXANDER	3/11/2017	2	\$12.00	\$14.00
6. F. CE	STRA	10/15/2018	1	\$12.00	\$14.00
7. P. FA	BRIZIO	10/15/2018	1	\$12.00	\$14.00
8. F. VE	ETERE	10/15/2018	1	\$12.00	\$14.00

	CURRENT	PROPOSED	PROPOSED
	HOURLY	HOURLY	%
	RATE	RATE	INCREASE:
P/T employees with 10 years or more of tenure: P/T employees with 5 years, but less than 10 years tenure P/T employees with less than 5 years of tenure: Seasonal Employees:  (Minimum Wage starting 12/31/2018 for year 2019-\$12.00) (Minimum Wage starting 12/31/2019 for year 2020-\$13.00) (Minimum Wage starting 12/31/2020 for year 2021-\$14.00) (Minimum Wage starting 12/31/2021 for year 2022-\$15.00)	\$12.50	\$18.00	44%
	\$12.00	\$16.00	33%
	\$12.00	\$14.00	16.7%
	\$12.00	\$13.00	8.3%

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Proposed Hourly Rate increase for Part-Timers and Seasonals was unanimously approved, as indicated in the above memo and effective the first payroll in June 2019.

Mrs. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Reports for April 2019.

Mrs. Evola reported that overtime has been slightly higher this month.

Correspondence was received from Ashley Charnoff, Curriculum Coordinator from Torah Academy for Girls requesting permission to bring her third grade class to the Atlantic Beach Bridge for a class trip on June 5<sup>th</sup> (rain date June 6<sup>th</sup>). Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried, permission was granted with the following conditions:

1. A Facilities Use Agreement be completed and submitted with a Certificate of Insurance naming the NCBA as additional insured.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of April 2019 was approved.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Tuesday

June 18, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
FRANCES RUSSO	\$ 400.00
GUARDIAN	4,392.99
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
NY WATER	319.65
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	462.46
AIR WELD	82.40
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	8.00
MORSE & COMPANY	11,500.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
READY REFRESH	126.83
MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE	11,000.00
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
OPTIMUM	1,070.44
BEST PRODUCTS	530.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD	527.88
NATIONAL GRID	3,250.13
ISLAND ELEVATOR	678.00
ADP	720.36
MICHAELS ELECTRICAL	15.77
KORN FERRY	5,800.00
NYSIF	4,244.32
LOWE'S	274.15
RICHNER COMMUNICATIONS	45.00
PSEG	4,255.90
NEXTEL	304.50
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	58,745.70
DUNBAR ARMORED	1,057.10
NCBA	652.96
HENRICH	850.43
FRANK SUPPLY	714.76

**MEETING OF JUNE 19, 2019** 

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JUNE 18, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER (Video Conference)

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER (SKYPE) ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT by Telephone

MICHAEL HOPKINS, COUNSEL

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL STATION MANAGER ELI ROMANOFF FROM DYNAMIC INFRASTRUCTURE

Deputy Manager Rosemarie Evola called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of May 18, 2019 were approved.

Mr. Eli Romanoff from Dynamic Infrastructure gave an in depth presentation about Transforming Tunnel and Bridge visual data into productive asset. Using existing imagery from any source, Dynamic Infrastructure provides advanced capabilities to the leanest and budget constrained organizations. Dynamic Infrastructure helps maintenance managers and engineering teams save time and money by presenting existing surveys and future defects in a live, 3D model which can be shared with peers, contractors and suppliers. Dynamic Infrastructure presented their company and a tour of the live Atlantic Beach Bridge 3D model with its initial image portfolio. It is a one-time fee of \$25,000.00 for 24 hour customer support and service.(This item was tabled to the July 23<sup>rd</sup>. meeting.)

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield advised the Authority that PERMA, is a self-insured program, not an insurance program, thus the Workers Compensation Board (WCB) would need to approve the transfer to PERMA, if the PERMA proposal was accepted.

In the past, PERMA was not able to be approved by the WCB, as the NCBA was not a taxing entity or an entity that could raise debt. In order for PERMA to be able to get WCB approval for NCBA, special funding resolution is required.

If the Authority elects to move to PERMA they would be leaving the State Insurance Fund which is a fully insured program to go to a group self-insured program.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Authority will remain with the State Insurance Fund Group 90.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for May 31, 2019, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$612,890 for May 2019 was more than Revenues from Operations for May 2018, by \$18,272.

For the five months ended May 31, 2019, Revenue from Operations of \$3,006,229 is up by \$49,010 from the first five months of 2018, which equates to a 1.66% increase. Most of this increase - \$21,896- is from \$2.00 fares and pass cards and Replenish - Commercial \$9,030.

Payroll and related expenses for the first five months of 2019 of \$1,153,740 was \$30,158 or 2.68% more than 2018.

Operating Expenses for the first five months of 2018 of \$598,487 was \$27,766 or 4.43% less than 2018. Insurance Expense was \$16,337 less than the first five months of 2018. This is offset by a \$12,152 increase in Repair and Maintenance Cost.

The net income for the first five months of 2019 of \$139,444 was \$37,914 less than 2018. The NCBA cash position increase for the first five months of 2019 of \$1,207,699 was \$83,766 more than the 2018 cash increase of \$1,123,933.

# **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi continues to work with Mr. Merola on the in house construction of the Salt Dome. There has been continued progress.

Discussion was held with regard to a collapsing roadway on the northwest side of the toll plaza. Mr. Merola spoke to the County two times and was advised that the owner of the culvert is the NYSDOT.... "Letters will be sent to the NCDPW and NYSDOT "to obtain confirmation.

Mrs. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Reports/Financials for May, 2019.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of May 2019 was approved.

Correspondence was received from Mr. Merola recommending the 2006 Ford Crew Pickup Truck as a surplus vehicle and accepting sealed bids for its sale in "as is" condition with a minimum bid of \$1,000.00. The vehicle is no longer working. It does not start and the bottom is rotted out. Mr. Merola secured estimates to fix this vehicle from two local mechanic shops in the area and received a cost proposal of \$2,000.00 plus with no guarantee that the vehicle would be serviceable thereafter.

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum seconded by Mrs. Elovich and unanimously carried the motion to declare this vehicle surplus was approved.

Mr. Merola also submitted to Mrs. Evola a cost proposal from Gabrielli Truck Sales Ltd. for the purchase of a new 2019 Ford F-350 Pickup Crew Cab with a Snow Plow for a cost of \$39,597.00 per the NYCDCAS (Citywide Administrative Services procurement agreement Contract #'s 20161201561 Pickup and 20161200722 Plow. (This item was tabled to the July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Meeting.)

Correspondence was received from the Atlantic Beach Fire District who are interested in acquiring the Paddle Ball Courts on a lease agreement that will be furnished by the Atlantic Beach Bridge Authority. They are going to utilize the space for additional parking primarily. It is their understanding that the Bridge Authority will initially clean the property and remove the fencing so that the district can prepare the space to make it viable for the District to replace the paving, restore proper drainage, and make parking lines to declare legitimate parking spaces. A Certificate of Insurance must be given to the Authority.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Tuesday

July 23, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

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# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
NY WATER	\$ 304.46
STAPLES	572.19
KS STATE BANK	3,690.10
GUARDIAN	4,371.55
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
CARDUSA	3,780.00
ADP	591.67
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
WOODMERE GLASS	400.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
CSEA	511.14
DELAGELANDEN	279.00
READY REFRESH	96.86
NATIONAL GRID	1,418.79
CAPITAL ONE CARD	139.58
OPTIMUM	545.75
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
SPRAGUE	936.95
FASTENAL	214.24
FRANK SUPPLY	31.80
DUNBAR	1,057.10
NEXTEL	152.85
LOWE'S	234.35
PSEG	4,569.25
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
BEST PRODUCTS	200.00
CIMATO & SONS	32.00
HARDESTY & HANOVER	2,458.01
JOHNSON CONTROLS	589.20
HRNRICH	540.60
AIRWELD	150.95
NGL	1,850.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	45.00
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	57,375.78
ADP	290.96
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,824.00
MEDICRE REIMBURSEMENT	4,020.00

**MEETING OF JULY 23, 2019** 

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON JULY 23, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER (Military Leave) ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING (By Telephone)

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Telephone)

MICHAEL HOPKINS, COUNSEL

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR
ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL STATION MANAGER

Deputy Manager Rosemarie Evola called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of June 18 were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield informed the Authority that he has received the countersigned Savings Agreement service fee invoice for 7/1/19-7/1/20 from Fleury Risk Management for the Workers Compensation renewal policy.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Blass explained that all audit requirements, including sending copies to the County and to RSM, are in full compliance for the year ended December 31, 2018.

He also advised that he will be working with Rosemarie and Vincent on the budget for the year ended 2020. The budget will be proposed at the August Board Meeting. It will be uploaded onto the PARIS system by 09-30-19, as required.

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for June 30, 2019, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$575,746 for June 2019 was less than Revenues from Operations for June 2018, by \$48,693.

For the six months ended June 30, 2019, Revenue from Operations of \$3,581,975 is up by \$316 from the first six months of 2018, which equates to a 0.01% increase.

Payroll and related expenses for the first six months of 2019 of \$1,397,313 was \$45,325 or 3.35% more than 2018.

Operating Expenses for the first six months of 2018 of \$628,769 was \$57,098 or 8.32% less than 2018. Insurance Expense was \$16,337 less than the first six months of 2018. This is offset by a \$9,140 increase in Repair and Maintenance Cost. The extra cost in 2018 was for Legal Fees (\$23,517) and FEMA Mitigation Expenses (\$16,309).

The net income for the first six months of 2019 of \$238,668 was \$88,510 less than 2018. This was due to increased depreciation expense of \$146,016.

The NCBA cash position increase for the first six months of 2019 of \$1,520,574 was \$57,506 more than the 2018 cash increase of \$1,463,068.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

The Authority received replies to its recent inquiries to the local Fire Districts that identified their truck inventories. This data was compiled and forwarded to Hardesty & Hanover (H&H) so their staff can perform an updated load rating analysis of the bridge as required under the Fixing America's Surface transportation Act (FAST Act).

Mr. Gerbasi contacted the Village of Atlantic Beach Town Hall with regard to an inquiry into the ownership of Acapulco Road. He spoke to staff in the Mayor's Office who confirmed that Acapulco Road is not part of the Bridge Authorities property and that it is under the jurisdiction of Atlantic Beach. A follow up letter will be drafted and sent to the Mayor's Office that will request that they send a letter to the Authority stating this information.

Mr. Gerbasi also spoke about Eli Romanoff from Dynamic Infrastructure who gave a presentation to the Board about transforming the Bridge drawings, reports and other data such as photos into a productive tool for the authority. Dynamic Infrastructure has stated that this tool can, if utilized properly, help save time and money by presenting surveys and future defects in a live 3D model which can be easily shared between staff, contractors and suppliers.

Mr. Gerbasi will contact Bob Eslinger from H & H and set up a meeting with Mr. Romanoff to discuss this tool and get their opinion as to the degree that the software can be a benefit to the Authority.

Mr. Gerbasi received correspondence from the State as to the ownership of the culvert located North of the toll plaza by Nassau Expressway. As a result of our inquiry (to both the NYSDOT and NCDPW) expressing the Authority's concern as to the culvert and roadway condition in that location. A follow up letter will be sent to the County putting them on notice as to their ownership and our request for them to look into this matter expeditiously.

Mrs. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Reports/Financials for June 2019.

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of June 2019 was approved.

Mrs. Evola presented the overtime listing for June 2019. Overtime is slightly up due the lack of Bridge Operators.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, Seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the 2019 Ford F-350 pick Up Crew Cab 8' Box from Gabrielli Truck Sales at and outright purchase price of \$39,597.00 was unanimously approved. By purchasing this vehicle at the outright price of \$39,597.00 –v- the lease price of \$44,610.80 saved a cost saving of \$5,013.80 to the Authority.

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session and 6:15 pm.

Upon a motion by Mr. Maidenbaum seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the Board came out of executive session at 6:45 pm

Discussion took place with regard to Henry Marine and Poscillico.

Discussion also took place with regards to Mr. Michael Merola Bridge Maintenance Supervisor .

The Board received a recommendation from Ms. that Mr. Michael Merola be given the same part-time title of Deputy Manager of Maintenance, with an annual stipend of \$9,000.00. Mr. Merola would be on call 24/7 in the event of emergencies at the Bridge (i.e., bridge malfunction, snow or storm conditions and other system failures).

Additionally it was discussed among the Board that Mr. Merola be provided a salary increase in the amount of \$5,000.00 commencing August 8, 2019.

Upon motion by Mr. Elovich and seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the stipend in the amount of \$9,000.00 and the salary increase in the amount of \$5,000.00 commencing August 8, 2019 was approved by the Board.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday August 29, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
NY WATER	\$ 363.88
NATIONAL GRID	2,436.54
NYSIF	7,311.88
OPTIMUM	537.69
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
CALLAHEAD	109.50
CAPITAL ONE CARD	219.96
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
BRINKS	1,057.10
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
NYS UNEMPLOYMENT	2,367.18
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	615.49
FRANK SUPPLY	12.90
FIVE TOWNS MASON	118.00
DELL	3,443.21
DELL	1,541.97
HINCK	687,42
HOPKINS & HOPKINS	2,750.00
PSEG	5,624.91
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	60,374.32
BEST PRODUCTS	200.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
READY REFRESH	116.84
QUINN & SONS	450.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	486.80
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
STAPLES	411.84
FLEURY RISK MANAGEMENT	6,269.00
GUARDIAN	4,603.77
1 <sup>ST</sup> SOURCE BANK	9,824.15
ADP	359.81
SHELTERPOINT LIFE	252.00
NEXTEL	152.56
NCBA	781.23

MEETING AUGUST 29, 2019

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON AUGUST 29, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER (Military Leave) ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Telephone)

NICHOLAS MIRAGLIA, COUNSEL

ABSENT: RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR
ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL STATION MANAGER CARMELO AYALA

Deputy Manager Rosemarie Evola called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of July 23, 3019 were approved.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartman and unanimously carried the Board went into executive session at 4:45 p.m.to discuss personnel matters.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board came out of Executive Session at 5:10 p.m. and resumed with the regular meeting agenda...

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield apprised the Board that he has reviewed the 7/1/11-8/15/19 quarterly loss report for WC Policy 670 379-7 as well a review of open claims over \$10,000.00.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Blass advised that he reviewed and approved the budget prepared by Rosemarie the budget for the year ended 2020.

Upon approval, Mr. Blass will be uploaded onto the PARIS system by 09-30-19, as required.

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for July 31, 2019, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$669,515 for July 2019 was less than Revenues from Operations for July 2018, by \$18,041.

For the seven months ended July 31, 2019, Revenue from Operations of \$4,251,490 is down by \$17,725 from the first seven months of 2018, which equates to a 0.42% decrease.

Payroll and related expenses for the first seven months of 2019 of \$1,641,496 was \$126,331 or 8.34% more than 2018. There was an extra payroll included in 2019.

Operating Expenses for the first seven months of 2019 of \$662,813 was \$119,325 or 15.26 % less than 2018. Toll Lane Maintenance was \$35,443 less, Biennial Inspection Expense was \$27,120 less, FEMA Mitigation Expenses was \$25,986 less and Insurance Expense was \$14,990 less than the first seven months of 2018.

The net income for the first seven months of 2019 of \$432,463 was \$139,331 less than 2018. This was due to increased depreciation expense of \$170,352 in 2019.

The NCBA cash position increase for the first seven months of 2019 of \$1,928,020 was \$31,021 more than the 2018 cash increase of \$1,539,529.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi advised the authority that "Rescue Road" is not a road but an access way that runs north from Albany Blvd. and past the Atlantic Beach Rescue Building and exiting on to Alcapulco Road through Bridge Authority property under the south side Bridge approach ramp to the Bridge. This access way is not meant to be used for through traffic and it has pot holes and areas of rough pavement. It is very narrow and two cars cannot pass at the same time. Preliminarily it could cost in excess of \$35,000 to repair. It is the property of the Nassau County Bridge Authority. Discussion also took place about the request by the Village of Atlantic Beach for the NCBA to make these repairs.

Discussion took place with regards to the revitalization of the Toll Plaza which is focused on EZ Pass implementation and could involve the redesign of the toll booths, lighting, gate arms,

signage etc. The NCBA needs to proceed programmatically and various studies will have to be undertaken that will have to be sent out for RFP/Bid. It was stated that Sub-Committees should be formed to report back to the Authority regarding the various approaches to address this revitalization.

The Salt Dome is progressing and is approximately 60% complete, and will be ready for this winter season. The commissioners requested that the pavement in that area of the salt dome be repaired if possible.

A proposal was received from Rabco Engineering P.C. which included an Engineering Proposal; Structural Review Toll Booth Plaza. The Commissioners discussed this and determined that this work would be subject to procurement by an RFP. Mr. Gerbasi was requested to draft a scope of work so as to procure these professional services.

Ms. Evola advised the authority that a \$10,000.00 rebate from PSEG for the repair of the lights has been received.

Ms. Evola presented the Monthly Traffic Reports/Financials for July 2019.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of July 2019 was approved.

Ms. Evola presented the overtime listing for July, 2019. Overtime is slightly up due to the lack of Bridge Operators. A part-time Bridge Operator has just been hired this should alleviate some of the over-time.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich, seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board approved the sale of the Surplus Vehicle (2006 Ford Crew Cab Pickup Truck) sold "As Is" to the High Bidder Manuel Melendez for the sum of \$1,800.00.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday

September 12, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
HENRICH	\$ 385.00
HINCK	3,110.61
NGL GROUP	1,850.00
STAPLES	329.68
GUARDIAN	4,368.54
MINUTEMAN PRESS	85.00
NY WATER	276.67
READY REFRESH	126.83
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	279.60
DE LAGE LANDEN	279.00
SOUTH SHORE READY MIX	1,626.00
CALLAHEAD	109.50
NYS INDUSTRIES FOR DISABLED	534.96
CSEA	486.80
PIP PRINTING	279.50
ALL HOURS ENERGY	2,959.38
ADP	316.66
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
ISLAND ELEVATOR	678.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
RUSSO RECYCLING	500.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
SUCCESS TRANSPORT	6.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD	137.96
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
NYSIF	3,665.00
NATIONAL GRID PSEG	751.66
PARTS AUTHORITY	7,458.98
ADP	69.62
LOWE'S	510.11
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	1,649.62
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	2,750.25
ADP	58,322.13
CALLAHEAD	326.88
BANK OF NY MELLON	109.50
BANK OF NY MELLON	210,975.00
BRINKS	250,000.00
PSEG	1,057.10
DELL MARKETING	10.52
SAFETY KLEEN	3,952.50
The state of the s	421.93

STAPLES	436.49
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	45.00
NEXTEL	152.56
FRANK SUPPLY	68.71
MALVESE EQUIPMENT	390.00
SPRAGUE	813.65
SOUTH SHORE READY MIX	615.00

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER (Military Leave attended by Skype)

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Telephone)

MICHAEL HOPKINS ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE

**SUPERVISOR** 

ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL STATION MANAGER

CARMELO AYALA

Deputy Manager Rosemarie Evola called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of September 12, 2019 were approved as amended.

A general discussion took place concerning the Comptrollers Audit Report.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board went into executive session at 4:45 p.m.to discuss personnel matters with regards to Workman's Compensation.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the Board came out of Executive Session at 5:10 p.m. and resumed with the regular meeting agenda.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield advised the authority that a refund of \$1,992.58 was received from the Workmen's Compensation Board as a result of an audit from last year and was due to lower payroll from 7/1/18-7/1/19.

Mr. Greenfield also advised the authority that the storage tank policy was up for renewal.

In the past the policy was for two years. The storage tanks are over ten years old and they will only offer a one year renewal with no increase in cost. There are no other carriers for this type of Insurance.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the one year policy was approved.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

#### Minutes on Financial Consultant Report by Alan Blass -September 12, 2019

Mr. Blass advised that he reviewed and approved the 2020 budget prepared by Rosemarie Evola.

Specifically, Mr. Blass advised that the methodology used by Ms. Evola was to estimate a minimal increase in revenue. Accordingly 2020 Revenue is estimated at \$6,450,000. The revenue for 2018 was \$6,428,937.

Salary and related costs was estimated for 2020 based on a 7.5% increase from 2018, based on 3.5% increases for 2019 and 2020 plus .5% to be conservative.

Again, to be conservative, the remaining 2020 expenses were based on a 12% or 15% percent increase from 2018, based on experience.

The bank covenant requires revenues in excess of expenditures to be the total principal and interest payment of \$671,950 for 2020.

The expenditures for this purpose exclude non-cash expenses including depreciation, other post-employment benefit and interest.

The estimated net revenues for 2020, excluding the non-cash expenses, are estimated at \$2,418,029, far exceeding the required margin of \$671,950.

Upon a motion by Mrs. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the 2020 Operating Budget was approved as presented.

Mr. Blass will be uploading onto the PARIS system by 09-30-19, as required.

There was also a brief discussion of the findings in the Comptroller's Draft Audit Report.

Mr. Blass reported that he will attend the Exit Conference with the Comptroller's Office auditors to assist Ms. Evola.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi advised the authority to consider use of the New York State Purchasing List for contractors that would be able to perform the needed repair for the roadway under the bridge, the main parking lot area and the area around the Salt Dome where use and construction have caused deterioration..

The Salt Dome is still progressing nicely and it appears that it will definitely be completed so it can be used this winter.

A draft of an RFP for a structural evaluation of the toll booths structure and consideration of EZ Pass implementation has been drafted and will be forwarded to the Deputy Manager for review prior to issuing it to engineering companies for their response.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of August 2019 was approved.

Ms. Evola presented the overtime listing for August, 2019. Overtime is down year to date by 5%. (\$5,000.00)

Ms. Evola presented to the Board the new NADE Agreement and updated Insurance Certificate for Drug Testing. Bridge Counsel Michael Hopkins will review and advise.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 5:10 p.m. to discuss pending litigation and personnel matters.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Ms. Elovich the Board came out of Executive Session at 5:45 p.m.

RESOLVED, the Litigation captioned: NCBA vs HENRY MARINE INDEX # 7662/2014 pending in Supreme Court Nassau County be and the same is hereby settled in the amount of \$205,000.00; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Deputy Manager be and she is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

RESOLVED, the litigation captioned POSILLICO vs. NCBA INDEX #607623 pending in Supreme Court Nassau County be and the same is hereby settled in the amount of \$155.000.00; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Deputy Executive Manager be and she is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday October 17,

2019 at 4:30 p.m.

ames J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
DARLENE COLLINS	\$ 45.00
HRNRICH	512.45
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
LOWE'S	387.46
ADP	369.46
NY WATER	335.29
ALAN BLASS.	1,500.00
FIVED TOWNS MASON	19.95
NYSIF	1,673.36
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
CIMATO & SONS	68.00
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
NATIONAL GRID	696.17
ABRZ	515.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
GUARDIAN	3,881.10
CENTRE MILLWORK	200.99
KS STATEBANK	3,690.10
JOHNSON CONTROLS	589.20
NY LABOR LAW POSTER	79.50
CALLAHEAD	109.50
1 <sup>ST</sup> .SOURCE BANK	9,824.15
DELL MARKETING	1,806.95
MICHAELS ELECTRICAL	88.20
FASTENAL	768.42
O'LEARY CONSTRUCTION	30,000.00
NEXTEL	152.56
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	5,644.00
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	1,778.90
BRINKS	1,057.10
PARTS AUTHORITY	74.45
ALERE ESCREEN	48.50
ADP	304.80
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	53,600.98
OPTIMUM	1,075.38
PSEG	6,178.38
STAPLES  MEDICARE REPORTS (EVER SEVER)	230.61
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,824.00
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,020.00
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00

**MEETING OF OCTOBER 17, 2019** 

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON OCTOBER 17, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN

HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER (Military Leave attended by Skype)

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP

PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Telephone)

MICHAEL HOPKINS ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

ALSO PRESENT: MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE

**SUPERVISOR** 

ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL STATION MANAGER

CARMELO AYALA

Deputy Manager Rosemarie Evola called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of September 12, 2019 were approved as amended.

A general discussion took place concerning the Comptrollers Audit Report.

# **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield presented to the Board a listing from Salerno Brokerage as requested by the board from four additional insurance carriers with regard to the insurance for the storage tanks.

- 1. Liberty 1 yr. Annual Premium \$2,202.39 including TRIA taxes and fees. (not competitive)
- 2. Philadelphia 1 yr. Annual Premium, \$1,851.83 including TRIA, taxes and fees not competitive, confirmed release required)
- 3. Colony declined to quote.

#### 4. Mid-Continent – declined to quote

The Crum & Forster quotation presented to the Bridge Authority provides the broadest and the best premium (\$1,518.72).

Ms. Evola provided the signed application and Nassau County Functionally tests on Friday. Mr. Greenfield will be submitting those to UCPM today and will advise if Crum and Forester requires any additional testing or forms.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the one year policy was approved. Voted at the (September 12, 2019 Board Meeting)

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Blass briefly updated the Board on the Nassau County Comptroller's audit and the two related meetings that he attended.

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for August 31, 2019, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$607,864 for August 2019 was less than Revenues from Operations for August 2018, by \$23,321.

For the eight months ended July 31, 2019, Revenue from Operations of \$4,859,354 is down by \$41,045 from the first eight months of 2018, which equates to a 0.84% decrease.

Payroll and related expenses for the first eight months of 2019 of \$1,883,042 was \$87,095 or 4.85% more than 2018.

Operating Expenses for the first eight months of 2019 of \$701,672 was \$106,640 or 13.19 % less than 2018.

Toll Lane Maintenance was \$33,190 less, Biennial Inspection Expense was \$38,374 less and FEMA Mitigation Expenses was \$25,986 less than the first eight months of 2018.

The net income for the first eight months of 2019 of \$346,805 was \$147,298 less than 2018. This was due to increased depreciation expense of \$194,688 in 2019.

The NCBA cash position increase for the first eight months of 2019 of \$2,056,013 was \$47,390 more than the 2018 cash increase of \$2,008,623.

#### **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi advised the authority that the Salt Dome is nearing completion based on discussions with Mr. Merola. It will be ready for the winter season. Many thanks to Mr. Merola and his staff who performed this construction "in house" at a savings in excess of \$250,000.00 as compared with the lowest competitive bid received for the work. The commissioners have directed that a final cost will developed when the construction is completed.

Mr. Gerbasi requested that the authority confirm with Mr. Hopkins that they can work with the current Nassau County DPW requirements contractor to utilize that contracts bid pricing to repair Acapulco Road and the NCBAs maintenance areas. This will be in the alternative to using the New York State Contractors list. Ms. Evola and Mr. Gerbasi will contact Nassau County DPW to identify the currant Nassau County contract.

Discussion also took place regarding on going procurement for Phase I of the possible Toll Booth Renovations and the absence of working lighting on the Bridge approach road. It was stated that the lighting is part of the State Roadway on I 78 and does not belong to the Bridge Authority. Ms. Evola and Mr. Gerbasi will send a letter to the NYSDOT requesting that this issue be addressed.

Upon a motion by Ms. Elovich seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Paid Vouchers for the month of September 2019 was approved.

Ms. Evola presented the overtime listing for September, 2019. Overtime is down year to date by 14 %.

An E-Mail was received from Austin Glickman, Long Beach Fire Department for southbound passage (dedicated land) through the bridge plaza on Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup> at approximately 11:15-11:30. A multitude of police vehicles will escort between 50 to 300 motorcycles and civilian vehicles from the Rockaways, over the Atlantic Beach Bridge, into Long Beach for the inaugural Ride 4 Remembrance Motorcycle Charity Ride. The dedicated lane is for all vehicles to pass through as to not create any hazardous conditions for other motorists.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal, seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the request was granted with the following conditions:

- 1. In the future a 60 days' notice must be presented to the Authority.
- 2. Insurance Certificates required 30 days before the actual Ride 4 Remembrance Charity Ride specifying Events
- 3. The Nassau County Bridge Authority must be added as additional Insured.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal seconded by Mr. Maidenbaum and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 5:15 p.m. to discuss pending personnel matters.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal the Board came out of Executive Session at 5:45 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the meeting was adjourned at 6: 15 p.m.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday

November 21, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

ames J. Vilardi, Chairman

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	\$ 762.63
SIGNS NOW	375.00
CALLAHEAD	109.50
GUARDIAN	4,208.71
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
NGL GROUP	1,850.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE FUND	462.46
ADP	359.03
ULINE	876.38
NY WATER	322.13
READY REFRESH	403.51
NYSIF	3,665.94
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,770.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
OPTIMUM	548.49
NATIONAL GRID	669.02
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
MAYFAIR POWER	875.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
CAPITAL ONE CARD	805.28
HENRICH	1,564.71
SHELTER POINT LIFE	252.00
LOWE'S	102.85
NYS UNEMPLOYMENT	1,809.97
PSEG	4,773.80
CSEA BENEFIT FUND	462.46
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	57,375.78
STAPLES ALERE ESCREEN	215.41
ALERE ESCREEN	38.50
DE LAGE LANDON	279.00
SALERNO BROKERAGE	1,518.72
PETER GERBASI ADP	1,695.00
BRINKS	306.06
NEXTEL	1,057.10
POSILLICO & FORCHELLI	152.67
BEST PRODUCTS	155,000.00
PPST L KODOCTP	265.00

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY HELD ON NOVEMBER 21, 2019 LAWRENCE, NEW YORK

PRESENT: JAMES J. VILARDI, CHAIRMAN HELEN ELOVICH, MEMBER

VINCENT GRASSO, MANAGER (Military Leave attended by Skype)

ROSEMARIE EVOLA, DEPUTY MANAGER

RUSSELL ROSENTHAL, MEMBER ALAN HARTSTEIN, MEMBER PETER GERBASI, ENGIEERING

ALAN BLASS, FINANCIAL CONSULTANT (By Skype))

MICHAEL HOPKINS ESQ. COUNSEL

ABSENT: DONIEL BODNER, AUDITOR

SHALOM MAIDENBAUM, MEMBER

JEFF GREENFIELD, NGL INSURANCE GROUP VINCENT GRASSO, MAMAGER (Military Leave)

MICHAEL MEROLA, BRIDGE MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR

ALSO PRESENT: ANTHONY ANSELMO, TOLL STATION

MANAGER

CARMELO AYALA

Deputy Manager Rosemarie Evola called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein seconded by Mr. Rosenthal and unanimously carried the minutes of the Meeting of October 17, 2019 were approved as amended.

#### **Insurance Consultants Report**

Mr. Greenfield submitted the following memo to Ms. Evola.

To Commissioners of the Nassau County Bridge Authority

Date: November 18, 2019

From Jeffrey Greenfield & Ken Hehir

Meeting Thursday November 21, 2019

I regret that both I and my partner Ken are unavailable to attend Thursday's meeting due to long standing, out of town business and commitments.

Please be advised that I have been working closely for the past month with Rose with respect to the controverted claims. At this point in time I think it's a matter for legal representation to attend the hearing.

Respectfully submitted

Jeffrey Greenfield.

#### **Independent Auditors Report**

Mr. Blass prepared the Budget Variance Report for September 30, 2019, which was included with the package of meeting materials presented to the Board.

Revenue from Operations of \$430,997 for September 2019 was less than Revenues from Operations for September 2018, by \$6,334.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2019, Revenue from Operations of \$5,290,351 is down by \$47,370 from the first nine months of 2018, which equates to a 0.89% decrease.

Payroll and related expenses for the first nine months of 2019 of \$2,119,844 was \$109,124 or 5.43% more than 2018.

Operating Expenses for the first nine months of 2019 of \$744,282 was \$113,146 or 13.20% less than 2018.

Toll Lane Maintenance was \$33,190 less, Biennial Inspection Expense was \$45,365 less, FEMA Mitigation Expenses was \$39,441 less and Fees – Henry Marine Claim was \$20,990 less than the first eight months of 2018.

The net income for the first nine months of 2019 of \$308,581 was \$182,863 less than 2018. This was due to increased depreciation expense of \$219,024 in 2019.

The NCBA cash position increase for the first nine months of 2019 of \$2,231,440 was \$36,161 more than the 2018 cash increase of \$2,195,279.

# **Engineering Consultants Report**

Mr. Gerbasi submitted to the authority the Draft Nassau County Bridge Authority RFP with regards to the Tollbooth Plaza improvements. The proposal for the renovation/modernization of the Toll Plaza and the tollbooths will begin in the new year.

The Salt Dome is now operational. The County roadwork requirements Contractor Land Tec Construction will estimate and repair the roadway surfaces that are in need of repair at the Salt Dome location and Rescue Road..

State DOT-Lights along 878 have been indicated as the responsibility of the Village of Lawrence. The Chairman directed that Peter and Rose will draft a letter to be sent to Mayor Edelman

The 2020 Decal Sales Chart was presented to the Board as follows

2020 DECALS	****
2020 DECALS-RENEWALS-FLYERS-ON LINE	11/19/19
STOP 2020 RENEWALS	1/31/20
2020 DECALS-NEW DECALS	12/17/19
2019 DECALS-SHUTOFF	1/7/20
2019 CARDS-SHUT OFF	1/14/20
STOP SELLING 2019 CARDS	12/16/19
STOP SELLING 20/19 DECALS (INCLUDING TRANSFERS)	12/3/19

#### SAME AS LAST YEAR

Vickie - Renewals

Carina & Andrew---New Decals

Anthony—Reconciliations

12/19/19 to 1/7/19 downstairs (Anthony, Mel, Vickie, Thomas)

11 AM to 7 PM

Closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day

Ms. Evola apprised the board of the Periodic Review: Moody's announced completion of a periodic review of the ratings of the Nassau County Bridge Authority. See annexed cover letter dated October 18, 2019.

The A-2 Rating on Nassau County Bridge Authority's (NCBA or authority) toll facility revenue bonds reflects the strong fiscal stewardship of the authority by the current management that continues to support consistent and improving financial performance.

The A-2 Rating is constrained by the concentration of the authority's revenue in a single bridge that is reliant on warmer weather conditions in the summer months to generate toll revenues and is the <u>Best for the Bridge</u>.

Correspondence was received from the County of Nassau, Department of Public Works regarding Deicing Material. This year (2019) they will leave the deicing material at Inwood then remove what is left and transfer it to the new Salt Dome at the Authority.

Upon a motion by Mr. Rosenthal seconded by Mr. Hartstein and unanimously carried the Board went into Executive Session at 5:15 p.m. to discuss pending litigation matters.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Mr. Rosenthal the Board came out of Executive Session at 5:30 p.m.

Upon a motion by Mr. Hartstein, seconded by Ms. Elovich and unanimously carried the Meeting was adjourned at 6: 00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Bridge Authority will take place on Thursday January 16, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.

James J. Vilardi, Chairman

# MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE

# Announcement of Periodic Review: Moody's announces completion of a periodic review of ratings of Nassau County Bridge Authority, NY

#### 18 Oct 2019

New York, October 18, 2019 -- Moody's Investors Service ("Moody's") has completed a periodic review of the ratings of Nassau County Bridge Authority, NY and other ratings that are associated with the same analytical unit. The review was conducted through a portfolio review in which Moody's reassessed the appropriateness of the ratings in the context of the relevant principal methodology(ies), recent developments, and a comparison of the financial and operating profile to similarly rated peers. The review did not involve a rating committee. Since 1 January 2019, Moody's practice has been to issue a press release following each periodic review to announce its completion.

This publication does not announce a credit rating action and is not an indication of whether or not a credit rating action is likely in the near future. Credit ratings and outlook/review status cannot be changed in a portfolio review and hence are not impacted by this announcement. For any credit ratings referenced in this publication, please see the ratings tab on the issuer/entity page on www.moodys.com for the most updated credit rating action information and rating history.

Key rating considerations are summarized below.

The A2 on Nassau County Bridge Authority's (NCBA or authority) toll facility revenue bonds reflects the strong fiscal stewardship of the authority by the current management that continues to support consistent and improving financial performance. The authority benefits from the recent comprehensive rehabilitation of facilities resulting in limited capital needs and no debt plans. NCBA has strong liquidity and debt service coverage metrics, which offset the statutory framework capping aggregate bonds outstanding.

The A2 rating is constrained by the concentration of the authority's revenue in a single bridge that is reliant on warmer weather conditions in the summer months to generate toll revenues. Additionally, there are limited prospects to organically grow traffic levels owing to the mature economy of its service area. Finally, the authority's labor contracts constrain management's ability to contain costs during a historically flat revenue growth environment.

This document summarizes Moody's view as of the publication date and will not be updated until the next periodic review announcement, which will incorporate material changes in credit circumstances (if any) during the intervening period.

The principal methodology used for this review was Publicly Managed Toll Roads and Parking Facilities published in March 2019. Please see the Rating Methodologies page on www.moodys.com for a copy of this methodology.

This publication does not announce a credit rating action. For any credit ratings referenced in this publication, please see the ratings tab on the issuer/entity page on www.moodys.com for the most updated credit rating action information and rating history.

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Kurt Krummenacker MANAGING DIRECTOR

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
NATIONAL GRID	\$1,376.86
CENTRAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS	8.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	237.00
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	731.25
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	1,047.50
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
OPTIMUM	552.96
NYSIF	3,665.94
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	45.00
CSEA EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND	462.46
GUARDIAN	4,208.71
ALAN BLASS	5,000.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
NY AMERICAN WATER	265.42
READY REFRESH	196.78
CAPITAL ONE CARD	61.22
CALLAHEAD	109.50
MICHAELS ELECTRIC	464.43
CARD USA	6,300.00
ADP	741.39
PSEG	4,177.36
WELSBACH ELECTRIC	4,196.80
ULTIMATE CAR & TRUCK CENTER	225.00
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	57,269.70
NYS RETIREMENT SYSTEM	252,903.00
RICHNER COMMUNICATION	45.00
ISLAND ELEVATOR	678.00
FRANCES RUSSO	400.00
BRINKS	1,057.10
LOWE'S	246.23
NEXTEL	152.67
ALL HOURS ENERGY	169.95
SIDHAL INDUSTRIES	284.94
SPRAGUE	802.89
NASSAU COUNTY BRIDGE AUTHORITY	770.62

# PAID VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2019

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
READY REFRESH	\$ 116.84
NGL GROUP	1,850.00
ARROW EXTERMINATING	97.00
GUARDIAN	4,208.71
NY WATER	341.06
NATIONAL GRID	2,014.74
STAPLES	245.85
CAPITAL ONE CARD	242.44
LOWE'S	119.50
NYS HEALTH INSURANCE	52,653.67
ALL HOURS ENERGY	254.93
HENRICH	698.20
PSEG	5,383.35
HOPKINS & KOPILOW	2,750.00
DELAGE LANDEN	279.00
ALAN BLASS	1,500.00
PETER GERBASI	1,695.00
NYSIF	3,665.94
KS STATE BANK	3,690.10
ALAMA SERVICE	1,119.00
ADP	702.50
US POSTAL SERVICE	176.00
JOHNSON CONTROLS	630.44
HARDESTY & HANOVER	54,269.12
BRINKS	1,057.10
OPTIMUM	537.96
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,690.00
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT	4,020.00

**MEETING OF JANUARY 16, 2020**