

CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE AND TUNNEL COMMISSION

Regular Meeting
CBBT Administration Building
July 11, 2023
9:30 a.m.
Minutes

Commission Members Present: Frederick T. Stant, III; Chris Snead; Keith Colonna; Reeves W. Mahoney; Gregory L. Duncan, Sr.; William H. Ferguson; Mark C. Bundy; Phillip R. Custis; Patrick E. Corbin.

Commission Member Absent: None.

District Staff Present: Jeffrey B. Holland; Thomas R. Anderson, III; Michael T. Crist, P.E.; Edward A. Spencer; Brittany E. Cannon.

District Advisors Present: Hugh L. Patterson, Commission Counsel.

Guests Present: Alumni Commissioner, Stephen A. Johnsen.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Chairman, Frederick T. Stant, III, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and welcomed everyone.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MAY 25, 2023 MEETING, as distributed:

Motion made by Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Ferguson, to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2023 Commission meeting, as distributed. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no public comments to be heard, nor any comments submitted in writing prior to the meeting.

4. TRAFFIC & REVENUE REPORT – MAY & JUNE 2023:

Mr. Holland reported that traffic for May 2023 totaled 379,277 vehicles, which was an increase of 6,710 vehicles or 1.8% over May 2022. E-ZPass utilization totaled 74.8%. Revenue for May 2023 totaled \$6,044,691 which was an increase of \$31,680 or 0.5% over May 2022. Gas prices were \$4.69 in May 2023, versus \$3.47 in May 2022. There were 33 hours of wind restrictions in May 2023, versus 32 hours in May 2022. There were 69 hours of tunnel lane closures in May 2023, versus 45 hours in May 2022.

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\$6,044,691, which was an increase of \$31,680 or 0.5% over June 2022. Gas prices were \$3.47 in June 2023, versus \$4.69 in June 2022. There were 30 hours of wind restrictions in June 2023, versus 7 hours in June 2022. There were 78 hours of tunnel lane closures in June 2023, versus 97 hours in June 2022.

For the calendar year-to-date through June 2023, vehicles were up 5.4% and revenue was up 4.3%. For the fiscal year-to-date through June 2023, vehicles were up 0.5% and revenue was up 0.3%.

Chief Spencer reported that on Thursday, June 22 at 1:50 p.m., at approximately Mile Post 1 a northbound tractor-trailer traveling in the left hand lane struck the curb 51' south of Mile Post 1 causing the tire to blow. After the blow out the front drivers side tire went up onto the curb and the truck crashed through the guardrail landing in Chesapeake Bay. On Friday, June 23, the tractor-trailer was recovered by Crofton Industries. There was one fatality and one personal injury, approximately \$80,000 (total loss) in vehicle damages for the tractor-trailer and approximately \$2,000 in damages to the vehicle struck by debris and \$50,000 in damages to District property. A video of the incident was reviewed.

5. PRELIMINARY ACTUAL TO BUDGET ANALYSIS FY 2023:

Mr. Anderson reported that projected actual expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, totaled \$16,839,868; budgeted expenditures totaled \$17,658,800; for a variance of \$818,932 or 4.6% under budget.

6. UPDATE ON FY 2024 INSURANCE RENEWAL:

Mr. Anderson updated the Commission regarding the VRSA Insurance renewal for property, liability, worker's compensation, cyber liability, and LODA insurance for the upcoming fiscal year. The total renewal cost was a variance of approximately \$28,822 or an 8.84% increase from the previous year. This increase is the result of increasing the cyber liability coverage. The total premium for FY 2024 is \$354,835 versus the expired premium of \$326,013 for 2023. The District's annual insurance policy line item funds are allocated in the annual operating budget that the Commission approves in May of each year.

7. PARALLEL THIMBLE SHOAL TUNNEL EXPENDITURES TO DATE:

Mr. Anderson presented the attached report of Project expenditures to date.

8. UPDATE ON PARALLEL THIMBLE SHOAL TUNNEL (PTST) CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Crist reported that during recent mining operations, Chessie struck an obstruction that was determined to be a ship's anchor. CTJV is currently developing a plan to remove the anchor as well as assess and repair the cutterhead as necessary. Once corrective actions have been complete, mining will resume. On Two Island, work on the mass excavation of the receiving pit continues as mud mats are installed and waterproofing is underway. On

the south end of Two Island, the installation of the pipe pile wall continues and CTJV hopes to begin limited dredge work at the southern end of the pipe pile wall very soon.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

a. Mr. Holland announced that the next Regular Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, September 12, 2023.

10. ADJOURN:

With no further business coming before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Frederick T. Stant, III, Chairman

Gregory L. Duncan, Sr., Treasurer

Brittany E. Cannon, Assistant Secretary

Attachment