



**MINUTES**  
**AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 51**  
**200 Southern Boulevard**  
**Albany, New York**  
**November 18, 2019**

The following committee members were present:

Joanne M. Mahoney, Chair  
Robert Megna, Vice-Chair  
Jose Holguin-Veras, Ph.D., Board Member  
Heather Briccetti, Board Member

In Tarrytown:

George Miranda, Board Member

Constituting a majority of the members of the Thruway Authority Board.

Members of the Board excused:

Stephen Saland  
Donald Rice

Staff Present:

Matthew Driscoll, Executive Director  
Matthew Trapasso, Chief of Staff  
Christopher O'Brien, General Counsel  
Matt Howard, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer  
Richard Lee, Chief Engineer  
Major Doug Keyer, Troop T  
Harry Lennon, Director of Internal Audit  
Joseph Igoe, Deputy General Counsel  
Jennifer Givner, Director of Media Relations & Communications  
Kevin Allen, Director of Purchasing  
Mark Hixson, Director of Maintenance and Operations  
Kim McKinney, Chief Information Officer  
John Barr, Acting Director Administrative Services  
Dave Malone, Director of Accounting & Disbursements  
Scott Hollis, Information Technology Specialist  
Peter Nilsson, Information Technology Specialist  
Kathleen LeFave, Board Secretary

Staff Present in Tarrytown:

Khurram Saeed, Director of Communication New NY Bridge

Also in attendance:

Brendan Kennedy, Engagement Partner, BST  
Jonathan Gibbs, Senior Manager, BST  
Baer Katigbak, BST  
Ariel Chung, BST  
Greg Floyd, News Channel 6  
Jimmy Vielkind, Wall Street Journal  
Jon Campbell, Gannett  
Fred Abramson, OGS Media Services Center  
Dan Keating, OGS Media Services Center

Audit Committee is comprised of Chair Donald Rice along with committee members Robert Megna; George Miranda and Chair Joanne Mahoney (who serves in the ex-officio capacity). The Audit Committee began at 11:26 a.m.

Ms. LeFave recorded the minutes as contained herein (public notice of the meeting had been given).

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**Item 1**

**Approval of Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting No. 50**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Audit Committee approved the minutes of the previous meeting held on September 23, 2019.

**Item 2**

**2019 and 2020 Audits, Initiatives and Projects Plan**

Harry Lennon submitted for review and acceptance the 2019 and 2020 Audits, Initiatives and Projects Plan.

Copies of the plan were provided to the Committee Members and are maintained in Authority records. Detail of the Committee Members discussion with staff are included in the video recording of and maintained by the Authority.

Upon motion and duly made and seconded, the Audit Committee approved the 2019 and 2020 Audits, Initiatives and Projects Plan.

**Item 3**

**Review and Accept the GASB 75 (OPEB) Actuary Valuation Report for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2019**

Mr. Howard submitted for review and acceptance the GASB 75 (OPEB) Actuary Valuation Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019

Copies of the report were provided to the Committee Members and are maintained in Authority records. Detail of the Committee Members discussion with staff are included in the video recording and maintained by the Authority.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Audit Committee accepted the Actuary Valuation Report.

#### **Item 4**

#### **Presentation from BST on Audit Plan Year ending December 2019**

Brendan Kennedy of BST presented an overview of the scope of services for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019.

Copies of the audit plan were provided to the Committee Members and are maintained in Authority records. Details of the Committee Members discussion with Mr. Kennedy and staff are included in the video recording of the meeting and maintained by the Authority.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Audit Committee accepted BST's 2019 Audit Plan.

#### **Item 5**

#### **2020 Audit Plan for the Bureau of Fiscal and Toll Audit**

Matt Howard submitted for review and acceptance the Bureau of Fiscal and Toll Audit's 2020 Audit Plan for the Bureau of Fiscal and Toll Audit. Copies of the plan were provided to the Committee Members and are maintained in Authority records.

Detail of the Committee Members discussion with staff are included in the video recording of the meeting and maintained by the Authority.

#### **Adjournment**

There being no other business to come before the Audit Committee, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

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