

**PROCEEDINGS OF NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2009**

Chairman Dilts called the Authority into session in the Executive Boardroom of the Authority's Administration Offices, Woodbridge, New Jersey, at 10:39 A.M.

PRESENT

(Participating via telephone conferencing): Chairman Stephen Dilts; Commissioner Michael DuPont; Commissioner Harold Hodes; Commissioner Clive Cummis; and Commissioner Ulises Diaz.

Executive Director Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti (participating via teleconference); Deputy Executive Director John O'Hern; and Secretary Rose Stanko.

NOTICE OF MEETING

This is a special meeting of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. Notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 in that notice has been given to two newspapers and notice has been forwarded to the Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey. In addition, notice of said meeting has been and is being displayed in the main lobby of the Authority's Administration Headquarters in Woodbridge.

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RECUSALS

The Secretary reported that no advisements of recusal or abstention had been submitted for this agenda

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At this juncture, Chairman Dilts opened the floor for public comment pertaining to the item being presented for Board approval. There was no response.

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The presence of a quorum confirmed, the Members of the Authority then moved on the following matter being considered:

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Executive Director Gutierrez-Scaccetti presented the recommendation contained in the memorandum dated December 18 2009, concerning the **Authorization to Implement Alternate Toll Collection at the Pascack Valley Toll Plaza on the Garden State Parkway.**

In furtherance of its efforts to improve traffic flow on the Garden State Parkway ("Parkway"), staff of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority ("Authority") recommended the implementation of an alternate toll collection strategy at the Pascack Valley Toll Plaza, located at approximately milepost 166.1 on the Parkway. Specifically, staff has recommended that the Parkway Toll Schedule be adjusted so that Pascack Valley Toll Plaza will be toll free in the northbound direction and in the southbound direction at the Pascack Valley Toll Plaza the existing toll rates for all vehicle classifications be doubled.

On November 19, 2009, the Turnpike Authority, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-5.11, held a Public Hearing at Montvale Service Area, which is located at approximately milepost 171.0 on the Parkway, to receive public comment regarding the implementation of alternate toll collection at Pascack Valley Toll Plaza on or about January 8, 2010. Notice of the hearing was advertised in eleven newspapers, ten days in advance of the Public Hearing. The Authority's Deputy Executive Director served as the hearing officer and a certified court reporter provided the official transcript of the hearing. Two (2) local elected officials appeared at the hearing. They did not object to the adjusting of the Parkway Toll Schedule. Rather, they raised issues unrelated to the hearing, namely local roadway issues. The public comment period remained open until November 26, 2009. No written comments were submitted.

Submitted for approval is the following resolution that authorizes the implementation and commencement of alternate toll collection at the Pascack Valley Toll Plaza effective on or about January 8, 2010 and approves a revised Parkway Toll Schedule reflecting such alternate toll collection, as outlined above.

On December 18, 2009, the Authority received the pre-approval letters from the Governor and State Treasurer in accordance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-3(F). Thus, it is respectfully recommended that the Authority's Board authorize the implementation of the alternate toll system as described above and set forth in the resolution.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IMPLEMENTATION OF ALTERNATE TOLL COLLECTION AT
THE PASCACK VALLEY TOLL PLAZA ON THE GARDEN STATE PARKWAY AND
ADOPTING AND APPROVING A REVISED TOLL SCHEDULE TO REFLECT SUCH
ALTERNATE TOLL COLLECTION**

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to implement alternate toll collection at the Pascack Valley Toll Plaza on the Garden State Parkway effective on or about January 8, 2010; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:23-5(g), by Resolution No. 405-04, the Authority adopted the existing Garden State Parkway Toll Schedule (the "GSP Toll Schedule");

WHEREAS, the Authority desires to revise the GSP Toll Schedule to reflect the implementation of alternate toll collection at the Pascack Valley Toll Plaza on or about January 8, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New Jersey (the "State") and the Treasurer of the State have each approved the revisions to the GSP Toll Schedule provided for in this Resolution prior to the adoption of this Resolution in accordance with the requirements of Section 3(F) of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Act of 1948, constituting Chapter 454 of the Laws of 1948 of the State, as amended and supplemented (the "Act").

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The implementation and commencement of alternate toll collection at the Pascack Valley Toll Plaza on the Garden State Parkway effective on or about January 8, 2010 is hereby authorized and approved.

SECTION 2. The revised GSP Toll Schedule submitted herewith as Exhibit A which reflects the implementation of alternate toll collection at the Pascack Valley Toll Plaza on the Garden State Parkway, is hereby adopted and approved and shall become effective on or about January 8, 2010 upon the commencement of such alternate toll collection.

SECTION 3. Except as otherwise revised or modified as provided in Section 2 hereof, the current toll rates for all toll plazas and ramps on the Garden State Parkway shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. The Executive Director of the Authority is hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions necessary and desirable to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately in accordance with the Act.

Reviewed by the Law Director and the Finance Comptroller.

On motion by Commissioner Hodes, seconded by Commissioner Diaz Authority unanimously approved the recommendation, as presented; and received and filed the memoranda.

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Upon conclusion of business, the Chairman opened the floor to public comment on other matters. There was no response.

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The motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner DuPont seconded by Commissioner Hodes and, after the voice vote, the motion was duly adopted. The Authority adjourned the special meeting at 10:46 A.M.

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Rose Stanko
Secretary

APPROVED:

Stephen Dilts, Chairman and NJ Department of Transportation Commissioner

Michael R. DuPont, Treasurer

Harold L. Hodes, Commissioner

David G. Evans, Commissioner (ABSENT)

Raymond M. Pocino, Commissioner (ABSENT)

Clive S. Cummis, Commissioner

Troy Singleton, Commissioner (ABSENT)

Ulises E. Diaz, Commissioner