

A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on September 13, 2006, 8:30 A.M. at the Jamestown Police Department Conference Room.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman David A. Darlington.

Members Present:

David A. Darlington, Chairman

Richard E. Eannarino, Vice Chairman

Arthur H. Fletcher

Stephen C. Waluk

William Chuck Alves, DOT

Invited Guests:

Buddy Croft, Executive Director

Christine Callahan, Controller

Peter M. Janaros, P.E., Director of Engineering

Marianne Hillier, Director of Operations

Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance

Jo-Ann Head, Executive Assistant

Lori Caron Silveira, Legal Counsel

Bernard Jackvony, Esq., Legal Counsel

Meredith Holderbaum

Item No. 2

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed

unanimously to approve the minutes of August 2, 2006 meeting.

Item No. 3

Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve: Tillinghast Licht – Legal Counsel

General Employment Matters \$ 312.88

General Matters 2006 3,823.46

\$ 4,136.34

Item No. 4

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to ratify: Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas, Inc.

Newport/Pell Bridge

Other Engineering Services – 2005 Deck Repairs

Invoice RA293991 \$ 1,155.25

Invoice RA296414 297.35

Other Engineering Services – Toll Plaza

Invoice RA293992 769.53

Replacement Value & Maximum Probable Loss Value

Invoice 300815 11,271.79

2005 Annual Inspection

Invoice 300831 1,477.95

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Item No. 4 (con't) Water Pier Repairs 24,338.49

Structure 'E' Deck Replacement Type Study

Invoice 296403 37,547.70

Main Cable Investigation

Invoice 300830 22,156.71

Median Barrier Study

Invoice 300835 23,510.08

Total \$122,524.85

Item No. 5

**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher,
passed unanimously to ratify: Parsons Transportation Group, Inc. –**

Mt. Hope Bridge

Maximum Probable Loss Determination

Invoice 06060731-B \$ 8,604.90

Deck CSS Contractor Submittal Review and Deck CSS

Invoice 06060731-C 10,714.59

Construction Support & Field Inspection Services

Bill No: 27 799.01

Construction Support Tower Rehabilitation

Invoice 06060731-D 64,444.52

Underwater Inspection Services

Invoice 6060731 28,052.76

Total \$112,615.78

Item No. 6

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to ratify: Cianbro Corporation – Mt. Hope Bridge

Structural Rehabilitation/Painting

Application No. 002 \$548,251.55

Item No. 7

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to ratify: Aetna Bridge Company – Mt. Hope Bridge

On-Call Deck Maintenance

Application No. 4 \$390,102.02

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Item No. 8

Peter M. Janaros P.E., informed the Board that a Bridge Ramp Project

Hearing on September 25, 2006 from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. at the CCRI Newport Campus. The Board authorized the Director of Engineering to attend and give RITBA's position and comments at the meeting

Item No. 9

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve and be ratified at the October Board meeting the Proposal for Newport/Pell Bridge resetting of Rocker Bearings on Piers 30E and 35E at a cost not to exceed \$50,300

Item No. 10

Insurance sub-committee meeting reported.

Item No. 11

Chairman's Report – David A. Darlington

- **Welcomed RITBA Controller Christine H. Callahan**
- **Draft RITBA Audit report and M D O analysis will not be ready until the October 11th meeting**
- **Discussed Newport Preservation Society's traffic opinion**

Item No. 12

Executive Director's Report – Buddy Croft

Recent Meetings/Events

John Duval, Andy Gurley – UBS, Bob McGreen – Merrill Lynch, Evan Smith, Chuck Newton, Bruce Kaiser, Gary Dougherty – US Bank,

Facilities Tour, Bill Granahan, Keith Stokes, Unicom, Joe Esposito – Administrator Pension, Trudy Coxe, Mt. Hope Contractor Progress Report Meeting, Maureen Gurghigian – First Southwest, Charlie Petit, Chief Tighe.

Upcoming Events/Meetings

- **Ed Lavallee – Newport**
- **IBTTA Dallas – 9/18 to 9/20**
- **IBTTA Maintenance Conference – Newport 10/23 to 10/25**

Staff Meetings – 2006

- **Senior Staff – 9/7, 9/14, 9/28, 10/5, 10/19, 10/26, 11/16, 11/30, 12/7**
- **Office Staff – 9/28, 10/19, 11/16, 12/7**

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Labor Management - 10/12 (Quarterly)

Miscellaneous Issues

- 1) Town Water**
- 2) Insurance**
- 3) TransCore**
- 4) RIPTA**
- 5) Fast Pass/EZ Pass**
- 6) Office – Water/AC/Rest Rooms etc.**
- 7) Revenues**
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- 9) Revenues**

Item No. 13

Controller's Report – Christine Callahan

1. Traffic and Revenue

- July 2006 Traffic and Revenue Summary**

2. Operating and Maintenance Expenses Compared to Budget

- Month-ended and Year-to-Date July 31, 2006**

Item No. 14

Director of Engineering Report – Peter M. Janaros, P.E.

Newport/Pell Bridge

- Reported on the International Conference for Cable Supported Structures.**

Conference Validates Main Cable Inspection and Dehumidification of Anchorage specified in Ten Year Plan

- Contract 05-12 Electrical/Security Beginning now – Aetna/Audet**

Contract for \$5.5 M

- **Underground Tanks Removal: Will receive Proposal from Lincoln Environmental next month.**
- **Water Main connection approval received from Jamestown. Lee Connaughton will assist with Bid Documents.**
- **Design for Rocker Bearing is ongoing so the bearings can be reset this Spring.**
- **Design of Median Barrier and Structure E ongoing**
- **Weather Station contract to be started end of September by SSI**

Mt. Hope

- **Underwater Inspection Complete: Underwater structure in good shape for 75 year old bridge**
- **05-6 Deck Repairs done for year – Repairs were more than double anticipated amount. This required change to contract as discussed in earlier meetings.**

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Item No. 14 (con't)

- **05-11 Tower Rehabilitation/Painting – ongoing. South approach painting is almost complete. North Tower painting is beginning.**
- **RIDOT Traffic counts received from Joe Bucci this week. Will be distributed to Chairman and Vice Chairman as requested.**

IBTTA October Maintenance Conference support by our major contractors and consultants was good.

Item No. 15

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to go into executive session at 10:12 A.M. pursuant to RI General Law 42-46-5 (a) (2) Potential Litigation and Litigation.

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to come out of executive session at 10:59 A.M.

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to seal the minutes of the executive session at 11:00 A.M.

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:01 A.M.

Earl J. Croft, III

Secretary