

**A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Wednesday March 14, 2007, 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 P. Eannarino, Vice Chairman**

**Stephen C. Waluk**

**William Chuck Alves**

**Members Absent:**

**Arthur H. Fletcher**

**Invited Guests:**

**Buddy Croft, Executive Director**

**Christine H. Callahan, Controller**

**Peter M. Janaros, PE, Director of Engineering**

**Marianne Hillier, Director of Maintenance**

**Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance**

**JoAnn Head, Executive Assistance**

**Stephen Clarke, Union Steward**

**Bernard A. Jackvony, Legal Counsel**

**Natalie Jackvony, Legal Counsel**

**Meredith Holderbaum, Senate Fiscal Office**

**Item No. 2**

**Approval of the minutes to the February 7, 2007 was deferred until the April meeting.**

**Item No. 3**

**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve: Tillinghast Licht – Professional Services**

**Rendered through 1/31/07      \$3,870.85**

**Item No. 14**

**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to ratify: Parsons Transportation Group, Inc. – Mt. Hope Bridge**

**Construction Support Tower Rehabilitation**

**Invoice 06110886-D    \$ 62,174.02**

**Invoice 06120818-D      23,222.21**

**Deck CSS Contractor Submittal Review & Deck Other**

**Invoice 061200818          531.23**

**Total \$ 85,927.46**

**Item No. 5**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to ratify: Maguire Group Inc.**

**On Call Construction Inspection Services 06-1**

**Newport/Pell Bridge**

**Security and Electrical Upgrades \$ 327.71**

**On Call Deck Maintenance 11,099.46**

**Mt. Hope Bridge**

**Tower Painting and Rehabilitation 27,440.15**

**On Call Deck Maintenance 493.00**

**Total \$ 39,360.32**

**Item No. 6**

**Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve the “Acceptable” Ten –Year Renewal and Replacement Plan as presented in their Proposal by PB Americas, Inc. – Newport/Pell Bridge and Parsons Transportation Group – Mt. Hope Bridge dated February 6, 2007.**

**Item No. 7**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve RITBA’s Contract renewal with Coastal Electric Inc., for one additional year on the option of two additional one year renewals ending February 2008.**

## **Item No. 8**

**The Board discussed the RITBA Insurance/Premium Reduction and recommendation from RITBA Insurance Consultant William Granahan at AJG. After discussion with Starkweather & Shepley, Inc., effective March 1, 2007, the last six months of the RITBA Insurance/Premium was readjusted to a \$55,000,000 deductible with a savings of approximately \$190,000.**

## **Item No. 9**

### **Chairman's Report – David A. Darlington**

**The Chairman reported that the meeting in Washington on March 5th and 6th with the Executive Director regarding E-Z Pass and environmental issues was well received by our Congressional representatives.**

## **Item No. 10**

### **Executive Director's Report – Buddy Croft**

#### **Meetings**

- Attractions Council 2/9/07**
- Senior Staff Mtg. – 2/22/07**
- George Zainyth – 2/27/07**
- Meetings with Congressional Delegation – 3/5 & 3/6/07**

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## **Item 10 (con't)**

- **Meeting with IBTTA – 3/5/07**
- **Lincoln Environmental – 3/2, 3/6, & 3/9/07**
- **Nixon Peabody 3/8/07**
- **Senior Staff 3/13**
- **Office Staff 3/13**

## **Issues / RFP's**

- **Union Grievances**
- **Fire Alarm ??**
- **Transcore / Toll Plaza**
- **3 Part-time Casuals**
- **Void Revenue Cards – Part-time Casuals**
- **Violations**
- **Waterline / Auditors / Lawn Beauticians / Brinks**
- **2007-2008 Budget Preparation**
- **Insurance**
- **Preparedness Plan**

## **Upcoming Meetings / Events**

- **MS Bike Tour – 6/23 & 6/24/07**
- **Tall Ships – 6/27 – 7/1/07**
- **Violations Summit – IBTTA- Boston 7/30 – 8/1/07**
- **Annual Meeting – IBTTA – Vienna 10/6 – 10/10/07**

**Item No. 11**

**Controllers Report – Christine Callahan**

**Finance Report**

**1. Traffic and Revenue**

- **January 2007 Traffic and Revenue Summary**

**2. Operating and Maintenance Expenses Compared to Budget**

- **Month-ended and Year-to-Date January, 2007**

**3. Construction in Process Expense Summary**

- **R&R Cash Flow Year-to-Date, FY2007**

**4. Daily Cash and Investment Summary**

- **As of Tuesday, March 13, 2007**

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**Item No. 12**

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

**Newport/Pell Bridge**

- **Aboveground heating oil tanks are now operational / Removal of old underground tanks within the next two months**

**Item 12 (con't)**

- **Weather Station to be commissioned next month**

- **Contract 06-6: Bearing 30E/35E Reset to be Bid March 28, 2007**  
**Photo's circulated.**
  - **Contract 06-7: Cable Investigation Piasecki to start work in field in June**
  - **Contract 05-12: Electric Security 1) Poles ongoing now 2) Anchorage Dehumidification soon. 3) Transformer/Generator underway - Photo's circulated**
  - **Structure "E" and Median studies ongoing**  
**Mt. Hope Bridge**
  - **05-11: Rehabilitation & Painting of Towers by Cianbro – South tower painting this year**
- R. F. P.'s – Landscaping in April / Municipal Waterline in May**

**Item No. 13**

**Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to go into Executive Session pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5 (a) (1) Personnel Matters; Organizations Structure and RI General Laws 42-46-5 (a) (2) Potential Litigation and Litigation at 9:50 A.M.**

**Motion by, seconded by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 11:27 a.m.**

**Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to seal the minutes at 11:28.**

**Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by William Chuck Alves,  
passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:29 a.m.**

**Buddy Croft**

**Secretary**