

**The Annual Meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Thursday May 1, 2008, 8:30 A.M at the Jamestown Philomenian Library.**

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

**Members present:**

**David A. Darlington, Chairman**

**Arthur H. Fletcher**

**Stephen C. Waluk**

**William Chuck Alves**

**Members absent:**

**Richard P. Eannarino, Vice Chairman**

**Invited Guests:**

**Buddy Croft, Executive Director**

**Christine H. Callahan, CFO/Controller**

**Marianne Hillier, Director of Operations**

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

**Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance**

**JoAnn Head, Executive Assistant**

**Bernard A. Jackvony, Legal Counsel**

**Jay Johns, Wilbur Smith**

**Item No. 2**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves,**

**passed unanimously to amend the By-Laws and move the Annual Meeting from Wednesday May 7, 2008 to Thursday May 1, 2008.**

**Item No. 3**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to elect the following RITBA officers:**

- David A. Darlington, Chairman**
- Richard P. Eannarino, Vice Chairman**
- Buddy Croft, Secretary**

**Item No. 4**

**Motion by William Chuck Alver, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 12, 2008 meeting. Arthur H. Fletcher noted that motions made to go into executive session were not correct. He was not in attendance and the error will be corrected.**

**Item No. 5**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve: Moses Afonso Jackvony Legal Counsel  
Professional Services Rendered thru February 29, 2008  
Invoices 950977 and 950978 \$ 366.50**

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**Item No. 6**

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

**Professional Services Rendered from February 1, 2008 to March 31, 2008 \$ 2,198.17**

**Item No. 7**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to approve: Pannone, Lopes & Devereaux Legal Counsel**

**Professional Services Rendered thru March and April  
\$16,878.69**

**Item No. 8**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to ratify: Piasecki Steel Construction Corp. – Newport/Pell Bridge**

**Main Cable Investigation Steel Repairs  
Application No. 6 \$50,600.00**

**Item No. 9**

**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to ratify: Maguire Group Inc. – Newport/Pell Bridge**

**Security and Electrical Upgrades Contract 05-12  
Invoice 05-12-16D \$ 6,935.75**

**Item No. 10**

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

**Construction Support Tower Rehabilitation**

**Invoice 8011236 \$ 8,786.96**

**Deck CSS Contractor Submittal Review and Deck CSS**

**Invoice 8011235 716.66**

**\$ 9,503.62**

**Item No. 11**

**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher,  
passed unanimously to ratify: PB Americas, Inc. – Newport/Pell  
Bridge**

**CSS & Special Main Cable Investigation 06-7**

**Invoice 351421 \$ 7,123.82**

**Invoice 348956 7,647.53**

**2006/2007 Inspection of Structural Steel Elements**

**Invoice 348957 1,974.28**

**Resetting of Rocker Bearings on Pier 30E & 35E**

**Invoice 348971 1,135.73**

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**Item No. 11 (con't) Security/Electrical Upgrades – CSS**

**Invoice 351415      1,644.75**  
**Fiscal Integrity Coordination w/RDW**  
**Invoice 351197      17,887.34**  
**Total \$ 37,413.45**

**Item 12**

**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher,  
passed unanimously to ratify:      Wilbur Smith Associates –  
Newport/Pell Bridge**

**EZ Pass Implementation**

**Invoice 518538    \$ 14,474.39**  
**Invoice 519397      15,601.20**  
**Invoice 520265      18,233.46**  
**Invoice 521395      29,949.32**  
**Invoice 522144      24,827.71**  
**Total \$103,086.08**

**Item 13**

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

**Structural Rehabilitation / Painting**

**Application No: 017    \$487,107.21**

**Item No. 14**

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

**unanimously to discuss and ratify Item No. 14 in Executive Session.**

**Item No. 15**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to approve the RITBA Budget for FY 2009: July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009.**

**Item No. 16**

**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve the continuation of Interim Toll Collection System Maintenance Services for RITBA – April 1, 2008 – September 30, 2008.**

**Item No. 17**

**Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to award Aetna Bridge Contract 08-4 Roadway Repairs / On-Call Maintenance on the Newport/Pell Bridge in an amount not to exceed \$2,327,744.**

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**Item No. 18**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves,**

**passed unanimously to accept PB Americas, Inc. Proposal for Construction Support Services Contract 08-4 Roadway Repairs on the Newport/Pell Bridge in an amount not to exceed \$71,000.**

**Item No. 19**

**Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to table Item No. 19, Roadway Repairs / Construction Inspection Services, Maguire Group Contract 08-4 Newport/Pell Bridge.**

**Item No. 20**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve the RITBA to advertise for employees and send out “Invitation to Bid” on equipment for Jamestown / Newport Landscaping Services along Rt. 138 in Jamestown at a capital cost not to exceed \$245,000. Included in that cost is personnel not to exceed \$100,000.**

**Item No. 21**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously with the Chairman David A. Darlington recusing himself from the discussion and vote, to award Pannone Lopes & Devereaux as General Counsel on an as needed basis for a contract term of two years with options for two(2) additional twelve (12) month options upon mutual agreement. It was noted that firms that bid on the RFQ are qualified and may be called if need be for their expertise.**

**Item No.22**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve the award of EZ Pas Integrator on the Newport/Pell Bridge to Caseta in the amount of \$1,800,000.**

**Item No. 23**

**The Chairman tabled Item No. 23 Token Phase-Out Program.**

**Item No. 24**

**OMITTED from the agenda before distribution.**

**Item No. 25**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to approve the purchase of a Weigh In Motion (WIM) machine from monitoring of overweight vehicles by the Rhode Island State Police on the Newport/Pell and Mt. Hope Bridges. The approximate cost is \$25,000 - \$30,000.**

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**Item No. 26**

**Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve the agreement prepared by Pannone, Lopes**

**& Devereaux for Contract 07-4 Professional Engineering Services related to the Parsons / Modjeski split of the scope of work.**

**Item No. 27**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve the donation request to Audubon Society of Rhode Island in the amount of \$5,000.**

**Item No. 28**

**Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed with Stephen C. Waluk recusing himself from the discussion and vote, to approve the request from Jonathon Stevens, Director of Economic Development, to plant ornamental grasses or shrubs along the guardrail at the first ramp exit to Newport.**

**Item No. 29**

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

- Received signed petitions opposing the reinstatement of tolls on the Mount Hope Bridge from Senator David E. Bates**
- Correspondence to Governor Carcieri and the Legislation stating that the Board has agreed to not make any adjustment on rate increase until the Blue Ribbon Panel has completed its study in November 2008.**
- \$500,000 from Federal Funds for E-Z Pass received**
- Change the process of appropriations in the form of a resolution for future meetings**

- **Thanked Buddy, Chris and Peter regarding budget preparation.**

**Item No. 30**

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

**Meetings / Events**

**3/18 Senior Staff**

**3/18 Office Staff**

**3/18 EZ Pass Bids**

**3/19 Wilbur Smith Re: EZ Pass Bids**

**3/24 NE Toll Assn. Mtg. – Boston**

**3/28 Wilbur Smith Re: EZ Pass Bid / Back Office**

**3/31 Congressional Breakfast @ Inn on the Crossings**

**4/1 Meetings with Congressional Delegation in DC Re: Appropriations**

**4/1 Chris Callahan**

**4/4 Senior Staff**

**4/7 EZ Pass Interview**

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**4/8 Jim Crawford – IAG (EZ Pass)**

**4/9 Wilbur Smith Conference Call**

**4/11 Chris Callahan**

**4/15 Jonathan Stevens Re: Farewell Ramp Plantings**

**4/15 Conference Call – PLD Re: Parsons / Medjeski**

**4/15 Legal RFQ Bid Opening**

**4/16 State Police Re: Mt. Hope Over weights**

**4/21 Legal counsel Interviews**

**4/22 Wilbur Smith Re: Back Office RFQ**

**4/23 Poughkeepsie NY – EZ Pass**

**4/24 RI DLT - Union**

**4/25 Staten Island NY – EZ Pass**

**4/29 Cyber-terrorism Workshop – Bryant University**

**Issues / Updates**

**EZ Pass Backroom RFQ**

**Waterline**

**AC / HC**

**Fiberoptics Equipment**

**Governors Blue Ribbon Transportation Panel**

**Next Board Meeting – Jun 11th**

**Item No. 31**

**CFO/Controller's Report, Christine H. Callahan**

**Finance Report – May 1, 2008**

**1. Traffic and Revenue**

• **March 2008 Traffic and Revenue Summary**

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

• **Month-ended and Year-to-Date February, 2008**

**3. Construction in Process Expense Summary**

**Item No. 32**

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

**Omitted**

**Item No. 33**

**Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to go into Executive Session Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5 (a)(1), Personnel Matters, RI General Laws 42-46-5(a)(2) Potential Litigation, Litigation , RI General Laws 42-46-5 (a) (3), RI General Laws 42-46-5(a) (5) The acquisition or lease of real property for public purposes, or the disposition of publicly held property and approval of March 12, 2008 Executive Session minutes at 10:00 A.M.**

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**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to come out of Executive session at 10:10 A.M. and seal the minutes.**

**Motion by William Chuck Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:11 A.M.**

**Buddy Croft**

**Secretary**