

The annual meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Wednesday May 5, 2010, 8:30 a.m. at the Jamestown Philomenian Library in Jamestown.

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 A.M. by Chairman David A. Darlington.

Members Present:

David A. Darlington, Chairman

Stephen C. Waluk

Arthur H. Fletcher

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, Director of Engineering

Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance

JoAnn Head, Executive Assistant

Robert S. Knychalski, Legal Counsel

Meredith Pickering, Fiscal Advisor

Item No. 2

Chairman David A. Darlington thanked William “Chuck” Alves, who is

retiring from the Department of Transportation for his years of dedicated service to the State as well as the RITBA.

Chairman David A. Darlington welcomed Jim Swanberg to the RITBA staff as our new Security Consultant.

Chris Powel, Chairman of the Jamestown Conservation Committee, presented the Board with a picture of the Ospreys that are nesting on bridge property. The RITBA hosts the site in conjunction with the Jamestown Education Foundation.

Item No. 3

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by, William “Chuck” Alves, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2010 meeting.

Item No. 4

Election of RITBA Officers:

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by, William “Chuck” Alves, passed unanimously to elect David A. Darlington, Chairman of the RITBA. William “Chuck” Alves and Arthur H. Fletcher, commended the Chairman’s leadership.

Motions by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to elect

Richard P. Eannarino, Vice Chairman of RITBA.

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Motions by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to elect Buddy Croft, Secretary of RITBA

Motions by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to elect Christine H. Callahan, Treasurer of RITBA.

Item No. 5

**Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, second by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve:
Adler Pollock & Sheehan
Professional Services for the Month of March 2010
\$ 1,575.00**

Item No. 6

**Motion by William “Chuck” Alves, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve: Pannone, Lopes & Devereaux
Professional Services for the Month of April 2010
\$ 12,401.00**

Item No. 7

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by, William “Chuck” Alves,

passed unanimously to ratify: Design for Contract 09-1

Invoice 414317 \$ 3,014.34

Invoice 411885 8,428.05

Invoice 415498 3,162.22

Design for Contract 08-4 Bridge Deck Repairs

Invoice 414307 1,691.33

Invoice 407592 9,443.69

Median Barrier Study

Invoice 411890 858.79

Total \$ 26,598.42

Item No 8

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by, William “Chuck” Alves, passed unanimously to ratify: Aetna Bridge Company – Mt. Hope Bridge

On-Call Deck Maintenance – Contract 05-6

Partial Payment No. 18 \$ 4,468.00

Item No. 9

Motions by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve Contract 07-2 one year renewal with Central Nurseries, Inc. in the amount of \$21,747.

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Item No. 10

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by, William “Chuck” Alves, passed unanimously to approve Abhe & Svoboda’s Bid Proposal for Contract 09-1A Steel Repairs and Protective Coating on the Newport/Pell Bridge in an amount not to exceed \$41,363,310.00.

Following a brief discussion among the Board members, including the fact that the motion to award the contract was tabled at a previous meeting, the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Item No. 11

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by, William “Chuck” Alves, passed unanimously to approve PB Americas, Inc. Proposal for Construction Support Services Costs for Contract 09-1A Steel Repairs and Protective Coatings on the Newport/Pell Bridge and an overall cost estimate of no-to-exceed \$315,400.

Chairman Darlington questioned what CSS (Construction Support Services) are and why we need that service.

Peter M. Janaros, P.E. responded that the CSS is to provide the technical design support on contract submittals and design interpretations. The inspection services will be provided by Keville Enterprises.

Item No. 12

Chariman's Report – David A. Darlington

- **Informed the Board that the Department of Transportation will be awarding the RITBA with the Transportation Innovative Award for the E-ZPass implementation at the Newport/Pell Bridge.**

Item No. 13

Executive Director's Report – Buddy Croft

4/14 Lost Hero Quilt

4/15 Mtg. w/Rich DeRienzo

4/15 Mtg. w/ Jim Swanberg

4/16 John Simmons / RIPEC

4/16 Host NH DOT/E-ZPass

4/19 NE Tourism @ Newport

4/19 FEMA Tabletop Follow-up @ RIEMA

4/20 NE Tourism @ Newport

4/20 Steel & Painting Bid Opening

4/21 Senior Staff

4/21 RDW

4/21 Dave Kellogg

4/22 Terry Fleming – Park Row Associates

4/23 Len Lopes Re: Unpaid Legislation

4/27 Senior Staff

4/29 Newport Chamber Event

5/3 John Flynn – House Legal Counsel

5/3 Red Re: Maintenance to do list

5/3 Staff Mtg. Re: Unpays

5/3 Senior Staff

5/4 Bond Sale Follow up

5/4 House Oversight ??

5/4 Token Salvage Bids open

Misc

138 Maintenance /Lawn cutting

RISE Audit

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Item No. 14

Finance Report – Christine Callahan

• Traffic and Revenue

a. Traffic and Revenue – March, 2010

• Operating and Maintenance Expenses Month –ended and Year-to Date March, 2010

• Daily Cash and Investment Summary as of Friday, April 30, 2010

• BNY Mellon First Quarter 2010 Economic and Investment Review

• Traffic and Revenue is up over the prior year. There was also an increase in away transponders due to the ETC and fare increase.

• The Chairman requested a review of accounts to see if expenses may be better suited to different accounts

Item No. 15

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

Newport/Pell Bridge

- **Ten year Plan Implementation: Working with Jim Swanberg on Security Implementation Items**
- **09-1 Steel Repairs / Painting – Original Bids opened Feb.22, 2010 – Per Direction of Board Re-Bid April 20, 2010 #09-1A – Notice of Intent to Award to be sent this week**
- **10-1 CIS On-Call Inspection Services Award; working on contract agreement with Keville & Proposal for Board review**
- **08-4 Deck Repairs / Seal Replacements: begin April by Aetna**
- **Micro Grinding: Coordination with RIDOT to profile bridge deck & evaluate benefits v. costs – RIDOT Governor’s interest item. Mass DOT on Monday – Thanks to RIDOT for coordination**
- **Toll Plaza Light Poles: Coastal Electric replace in April – completed**
- **Pending 09-1 CSS Proposal from PB for Contract 09-1 – Next month for Board review**
- **Inspection: FCM Inspection in Spring by PB – second half of award from October starts this month**
- **ELUR Pending agreement w/Town of Jamestown on wording – ready to close out with DEM – Meeting with Town pending**
- **First Responder Training completed in November w/Newport Fire Department – Ongoing with Jim Swanberg to schedule**
- **Ramp Project: Awaiting Newport’s endorsement**
- **RFP selection Newport engineer of record and inspections – selection this summer – need evaluaton committee**

- **Studies status – Median Barrier; complete, ready for design}**
West approach pavement, ready for design } Per Ten Year Plan
Deck evaluation; on going}
- **Administration Bldg. A/E services – awaiting interviews /selection**
- **Training exercise with EMA – Bridge Incident Response w/Stakeholders. EOP noted as strength of RITBA**
- **Weigh In Motion (WIM) by State Police for overweight vehicles today**

Mt. Hope Bridge

- **Ten Year Plan implementation: Working with Jim Swanberg on Security Implementation Items**
- **08-1 Tower Pier Rehab: Project Closeout Springtime: Claim by Contractor pending but undocumented so far.**
- **09-7 Design of Mt. Hope On-Call Maint. Contract: Currently under design review by RITBA; Bid in July**
- **Pending Design Proposal from Parsons on Design of North approach Steel Repairs & Painting – Board review / approval in June**
- **Pending Inspection Proposal from Modjeski & Masters for FCM / In-Depth Inspection this Summer/Fall**

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Item No. 16

Operations Report – Marianne Hillier

- **State Police at Newport/Pell on Thursday May 20th and Mt. Hope Bridge on Friday May 21st.**

- **In the prices of interviewing and hiring Seasonal Toll Collectors – There were 32 applicants**

Motions 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, Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5(a) (2) Potential Litigation, and Litigation, Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5(a) (3) Security Matters at 9:35 A.M.

Motion by William “Chuck” Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to come out of Executive session at 10:01 A.M. and seal the minutes.

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 A.M.

**Buddy Croft
Secretary**