

A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Thursday, December 22, 2011 at 8:30 A.M. at the Jamestown Philomenian Library.

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 A.M. by Chairman David A. Darlington.

Members Present:

David A. Darlington, Chairman

Arthur H. Fletcher

Stephen C. Waluk

Deborah M. Brayton

Michael P. Lewis, Director DOT

Invited Guests:

Buddy Croft, Executive Director

Nancy E. Parrillo, CFO

Peter M. Janaros, Director of Engineering

Marianne Hillier, Director of Operations

Kathryn O'Connor, EZ-Pass Supervisor

Jeannine Bourassa

Bernard A. Jackvony, Legal Counsel

Item No. 2

No public comments were made.

Item No. 3

Motion by Michael P. Lewis, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2011 meeting.

Item No. 4

David A. Darlington welcomed new Board member Deborah M. Brayton to the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority.

Item No. 5

David A. Darlington recognized Richard P. Eannarino's exemplary years of service to the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority

Item No. 6

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to approve:

Adler Pollock & Sheehan

Professional Services for the months of Oct. & Nov.

\$ 14,848.43

Item No. 7

Motion by Michael P. Lewis, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve:

Pannone, Lopes & Devereaux & West

Professional Services for the months of Oct. & Nov.

\$ 10,560.55

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Item No. 8

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify:

Aetna Bridge – Mt. Hope & Newport/Pell Bridge

On-Call Maintenance

Application No. 10 \$ 309,699.33

Application No. 11 331,241.25

Application No. 12 362,542.84

Application No. 13 258,638.21

Deck Repairs Newport/Pell

Application No. 25 72,496.16 Application No. 26

60,437.82

\$ 1,395,055.61

Item No. 9

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify:

Amman & Whitney – Mt. Hope Bridge

Contract 09-7 CSS

Invoice No. 1776 No. 4 \$ 17,083.47

Invoice No. 1776 No. 6 7,487.58

Invoice No. 1776 No. 7 8,094.54

\$ 32,665.59

Item No. 10

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify:

Burgin Lambert Inc.

Bridge & Toll Administration Building

Invoice No. 0000016 \$ 10,930.35

Invoice No. 0000019 5,657.32 \$ 16,587.67

Item No. 11

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify:

E.W. Burman, Inc. – Newport/Pell Bridge

Application No. 3 \$ 121,096.80

Application No. 4 258,415.20

\$ 379,512.00

Item No. 12

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify:

Keville Enterprises, Inc. – Mt. Hope

09-7 CIS

Invoice No. 1112-07 \$ 13,108.69

Item No. 13

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify:

Parsons Transportation Group – Mt. Hope Bridge

Contract 10-11 Design

Invoice No. 13 \$ 6,820.00

Invoice No. 14 14,582.61

Contract 09-7 CSS

Invoice No. 12 8,737.55

Invoice No. 13 3,707.32

\$ 33,847.48

Item No. 14

The approval of Parsons Brinckerhoff’s Evaluation and Recommendation - Micro Grinding on the Newport/Pell Bridge was tabled. Michael P. Lewis and Peter M. Janaros, P.E. will meet for further review and report back to the Board.

Item No. 15

The approval of Parsons Brinckerhoff’s Proposal for Steel Repairs & Painting East Approach on the Newport/Pell Bridge was tabled.

Item No. 16

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, second by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously in the form of a resolution; to approve E.W. Burman, Inc. Newport/Pell Bridge Administration Building Adjustment in the

amount not to exceed \$19,146.00.

Item No. 17.

Motion by Michael P. Lewis, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously in the form of a resolution; to approve Burgin Lambert Inc. Administration Building Adjustment in the amount not to exceed \$10,255.00.

Item No. 18

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously in the form of a resolution; to approve and award Contract No. 11-14 to VION Municipal Capital to Construct an Open Road Tolling (ORT) Under a Private Public Partnership (PPP) Arrangement. VION Municipal Capital Proposal will provide for \$4,500,000.00 in up front capital to fund the project and the Authority will continue to receive toll, while VION will be paid solely from the violation process.

Item No. 19

Motion by Michael P. Lewis, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously in the form of a resolution; to approve E-ZPass Back Office Operations and to further contract negotiations between the Authority and several of the bidders. The Authority interviewed four (4) bidders: ACS/XEROX, CSTIS America, Faneuil, and the State of Maine.

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Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher passed unanimously in the form of a resolution; to approve the following law firms to be placed on the Authority's list of qualified law firms: Adler, Pollock & Sheehan; Edwards Wildman; Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West; Robinson & Cole; Taft & McSally; and Taylor Fay to provide services in the following areas; environmental, litigation, labor and employment, legislative services counsel, bridge/construction, and finance/bond counsel.

Item No. 21

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher passed unanimously in the form of a resolution; to approve and award Petro Contract Number 11-6 for Heating Fuel at the Newport/Pell Bridge. Petro quoted a total approximate contract cost of \$26,100 assuming 7000 gallons used (based on past history) is approximately \$25,900 per year for fuel combined with a \$200.00 yearly maintenance contract. The contract is for a term of 1 year.

Item No. 22

Chairman's Report

- Reported on the barge that sunk below the Newport/Pell Bridge during winter storm on Oct. 29th**

Item 23

Director's Report

- **11/3 – Bldg. Progress Mtg., Eident, Jacobs Conference Call, IAG Conference Call**
- **11/8 – IAG Policy Com., Pre-bid – Back Office, Senior Staff, Pre-bid – ORT / PPP**
- **11/9 – Mtg. @ AP&S, Barge Conf. Call**
- **11/10 – Bldg. Progress Mtg., Eident Mtg., Mtg. w/ ACS, Barge Conf. Call**
- **11/13 – Eident Road Race**
- **11/14 – MS Bike Mtg.**
- **11/15 – Senior Staff, Office Staff, PLD&W, RDW, Barge Conf. Call**
- **11/16 – Barge Conf. Call**
- **11/17 – Bldg. Progress Mtg., Barge Conference Call**
- **11/18 – Bill Burgin**
- **11/21 – Mtg. w/ Jamestown Re: Wind Turbine, Barge Conf. Call, AP&S**
- **11/22 – Senior Staff, Mtg. w/ Unified Command, Barge Conf. Call,**
- **11/23 – Barge Conf. Call**
- **11/25 – Barge Conf. Call**
- **11/28 – Media / Elected Officials Barge Tour**
- **11/29 – IAG Conf. Call**
- **11/30 – Senior Staff, Gov. Chaffee, Barge Conf. Call**
- **12/1 – Bldg. progress report, Barge Conf. Call**
- **12/2 – Barge Conf. Call**
- **12/3 – Barge Conf. Call**

- **12/5 – NE Director Mtg. @ Tobin Bridge, Barge Conf. Call**
- **12/6 – Senior Staff, Barge Conf. Call**
- **12/7 – Jacobs Conf. Call, Barge Conf. Call**
- **12/8 – IAG Exec. Director Mtg. – NYC**

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- **12/9 – Raising of Barge, Barge Conf. Call**
- **12/12 – Back Office & ORT / PPP Interviews**
- **12/13 – AP&S, Speaker Fox, Barge Conf. Call, Speaker Fox**
- **12/14 – RDW, Barge Conf. Call**
- **12/15 – Bldg. Progress Mtg., Senior Staff**
- **12/16 – Maine Conf. Call, RDW**
- **12/19 – Visit Maine**
- **12/20 – Senior Staff, PLD&W**
- **12/21 – Mtg. w/ Board Member**
- **12/22 – Bldg, Progress Mtg., Board Mtg., RDW**

Item 24

Finance Report

- **October 2011 MTD / YTD Financial Report**
- **Traffic and Revenue Reports**

Item No. 25

Engineering Report

Newport/Pell Bridge

- **Ten Year Plan Implementation - 2011 Plan approved by Board July 13, 2011**
- **09-1 Steel Repairs / Painting - Original Bids opened Feb. 22, 2010 - Per direction of Board Re-Bid April 20, 2010- Awarded May 17, 2010 - Abrasive Blasting and painting - ongoing (35 of 75 units complete).**
- **Note: East Support Barge sunk during Oct. 30th, 2011 storm. Contractor to address schedule impact**
- **08-4 Deck Repairs, Rideability Improvements / Seal Replacements by Aetna. Ongoing thru December,**
- **Approach Span Inspection Proposal by WSP – Sells this month; Started work in September and finished in December – Main Span Side Spans began in November**
- **ELUR - ready to close out with DEM: ATC finalizing**
- **First Responder Training w/ Newport Fire Department complete**
- **Ramp Project: RIDOT received city endorsement and will proceed**
- **Studies status - Median Barrier Wind study complete; some structural limitation needs to be studied further for high winds. - Testing in Wind Tunnel complete. Median helps to stabilize structure: Formal Report due this Winter**
- **West approach pavement; ready for design - Deck evaluation; ongoing**
- **Administration Bldg. – Approved for award July 13, 2011. Construction Work on-going. Steel framing and roofing ongoing.**
- **Micro-grinding of deck study by PB to be presented in December/meeting with RIDOT scheduled for January 10, 2012**

Mt. Hope Bridge

- **Ten Year Plan implementation - Ongoing - Plan approved by Board July 13, 2011**
- **08-1 Tower Pier Rehab: Project Closeout: Extra cost notification by Contractor denied**
- **10-11 Design of North approach Steel Repairs & Painting ongoing – Bid January 2012**
- **Modjeski & Masters Proposal for Annual Inspection approved July 13, 2011. Field work complete; report due this winter**
- **Intersection / Drainage upgrade by DOT at Portsmouth end of bridge**
- **Aetna Bridge 09-7 On Call Maintenance Contract: - Work this year on Deck / Steel Repairs ongoing**
- **Ammann & Whitney Contract: Transfer of Engineer of record duties complete**
- **Underwater Inspection in October by A&W: Field work done with report due this winter**

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Item No. 26

Operations Report

- **Month of November approximately 2,662 assists**
- **150 un-mounted tags – 5 or 6 per day**
- **924 vehicles in e-zpass lanes with cash**

- **274 vehicles with call e-zpass messages (negative balance) Average 9 per day**

Item No. 27

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to go into Executive Session Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5 (a) (2), Potential Litigation, Litigation, Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5(a) (3), Security Matters at 10:31 A.M.

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously, all Board Members present voted aye, to come out of Executive Session at 11:00 A.M. and seal the minutes.

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously, all Board Members present voted aye, to adjourn the meeting at 11:02 A.M.

**Buddy Croft
Secretary**