

# STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

## Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, January 11, 2006

In attendance were:

Lt. Eric C. LaRiviere  
Mr. Bernie Frezza  
Mr. John DiTomasso

Ms. Janis Loiselle declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and, upon a motion duly made and seconded, were unanimously accepted by the State Traffic Commission. It was voted to continue to follow the procedures and policy of the State Traffic Commission as previously established.

### Old Business

#### **BARRINGTON ==> COUNTY RD HWY 114**

*Creation Date*

**12/13/2005**

*Disposition*

**Continued**

*Item Number*

**40205**

Request from the Barrington Police for an advance left turn signal on northbound Rt. 114 at Federal Road.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

#### **BARRINGTON ==> NAYATT RD**

*Creation Date*

**12/13/2005**

*Disposition*

**Continued**

*Item Number*

**40206**

Request from the Barrington Police for pedestrian crosswalks on Nayatt Road in the vicinity of the Rhode Island Country Club's 14th and 18th holes.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

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**BURRILLVILLE ==>> SHERMAN FARM RD HWY 98**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>11/02/2005</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40185</b>

Request from the Burrillville Police to change the existing speed zones of 25 MPH, 35 MPH and 40 MPH to a consist posted 40 MPH speed limit on Sherman Farm Road (Rt. 98).

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* Southbound from the Mass. State Line 40 MPH to a point .5 of a mile north of Rt. 96. From a point .5 of a mile north of Rt. 96 to Rt. 96 30 MPH.  
Northbound from Rt. 96 to the Mass. State Line 40 MPH.

*Work Order Number:*

**CRANSTON ==>> NATICK AV**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>12/13/2005</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40207</b>

Request from RIDOT to review the signalized intersection of Rt. 37 at Natick Avenue.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* Permissive to protected left turn

*Work Order Number:*

**CRANSTON ==>> WAYLAND AV**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>12/01/2005</b>	<b>Continued</b>	<b>40204</b>

Request from Representative Peter G. Palumbo to study Wayland Avenue in regards to traffic calming safety related issues.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**LITTLE COMPTON ==>> MEETINGHOUSE LN**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>11/02/2005</b>	<b>Continued</b>	<b>40189</b>

Request from the Little Compton Police to review the area in and around The Commons for restricted parking, handicap parking, and the present parking and existing crosswalk's location in the vicinity of the Wilbur McMahon School.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

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**NARRAGANSETT ==> OCEAN RD**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>11/02/2005</b>	<b>Denied</b>	<b>40190</b>

Request from the Town of Narragansett for a crosswalk on Ocean Road north of The Towers.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* Denied crosswalk north of the towers. Approved to install Pedestrian warning signs in the vicinity of the existing crosswalk on Ocean Road at Narragansett Avenue.

*Work Order Number:*

**NEWPORT ==> J T O CONNELL RD**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>11/23/2005</b>	<b>Continued</b>	<b>40198</b>

Request from the City of Newport to modify the existing traffic signal to include a left turn signal for northbound Farewell Street at Van Zandt Avenue and for southbound J.T. Connell Highway at Van Zandt Avenue.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**NORTH SMITHFIELD ==> DOUGLAS PK HWY 7**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>12/13/2005</b>	<b>Continued</b>	<b>40209</b>

Request from Representative Raymond C. Church for a flashing signal on Rt. 7 at Mattity Road.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

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**NORTH SMITHFIELD ==> GREAT RD HWY 146A**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>12/13/2005</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40208</b>

Request from Representative Raymond C. Church to add left turn signals on Rt. 146A at the following locations:

Rt. 146A southbound at St. Paul St. - Approved

Rt. 146A southbound at South Main St. - Approved and approved to re-stripe South Main St. for a left turn bay.

Rt. 146A northbound at School St. - Denied. Approved optimizing timing for a 6 month period.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**NORTH SMITHFIELD ==> GREENVILLE RD HWY 104**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>11/23/2005</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40197</b>

Request from the Town of North Smithfield for the following:

-Review the posted speed limits and school zone limits of the high/junior high school and the elementary school.

- Review the spacing of th existing speed limit signs and reconsider the permitted passing zone within the school zone of the Halliwell School.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* Approved 40 MPH posted speed limit for all approaches and 30 MPH School Zone speed limits for all approaches.  
Approved to relocate existing School Zone signs 200' in advance of the Halliwell School boundaries and re-stripe the passing zone to No Passing on Rt. 102.

*Work Order Number:*

**RICHMOND ==> SHANNOCK RD**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>11/23/2005</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40199</b>

Request from theTown of Richmond to install No Parking signs along Shannock Village Road.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* Approved No Parking Either Side signs on Shannock Village Rd. southerly side from North Rd. to West Shannock Rd.

*Work Order Number:*

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**SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> HWY 138**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>04/07/2005</b>	<b>Continued</b>	<b>40100</b>

Request from Senator V. Susan Sosnowski to review the uniformity of the speed limits on Rt. 138 in the Towns of South Kingstown and Richmond.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> MAIN ST US 1A**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>12/13/2005</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40210</b>

Request from the South Kingstown Police to review the location of the existing crosswalk and permitted crossing time at the intersection of Main St. and Columbia St.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* Approved pedestrian push buttons and pedestrian heads.

*Work Order Number:*

**WARREN ==> SCHOOL HOUSE RD**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>11/23/2005</b>	<b>Continued</b>	<b>40202</b>

Request from the Town of Warren to install a stop sign and stop bar for Schoolhouse Road at Long Lane.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**WESTERLY ==> GRANITE ST US 1**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>11/23/2005</b>	<b>Denied</b>	<b>40203</b>

Request from Senator Dennis L. Algieri to modify the existing traffic signals to include advance left turn signals for Granite Street onto Cross Street and John Street.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**New Business**

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**EAST GREENWICH ==>> DAVISVILLE RD HWY 403**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>01/04/2006</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40213</b>

Request from RIDOT to approve temporary and permanent traffic control changes in the Towns of East Greenwich and North Kingstown under Rhode Island Contract #2005-CH -(084) Relocated Route 403 / Route 4 Interchange - Phase 2.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**EAST GREENWICH ==>> DIVISION ST**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>01/04/2006</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40214</b>

Request from the Town of East Greenwich to lower the existing speed limit of 45 MPH to 35 MPH on Division Street from Route 2 to First Avenue.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* Approved to lower the existing 45 MPH posted speed to 35 MPH for a 6 month period, in which case the STC will review the area prior to the July 12, 2006 meeting.

*Work Order Number:*

**NARRAGANSETT ==>> KINGSTOWN RD**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>01/04/2006</b>	<b>Study</b>	<b>40215</b>

Request from the Town of Narragansett to install a pedestrian signal to the existing traffic signal at the intersection of Kingstown Road and Narragansett Avenue.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

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**NORTH SMITHFIELD ==> N MAIN ST HWY 146A**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>01/04/2006</b>	<b>Study</b>	<b>40216</b>

Request from the Town of North Smithfield for the following:

Rt. 146A ( Great Rd.) at Greenville Rd. - Add left turn lane northbound and straight through lane on Rt.146A with delayed left green signal.

Rt. 146A at West Acres Turnaround - Stop sign for traffic crossing Rt. 146 to Rt. 146A.  
- Yield sign for traffic merging onto 146 northbound.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**PROVIDENCE ==> US 1**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>01/04/2006</b>	<b>Study</b>	<b>40218</b>

Request from Senator Harold M. Metts for a pedestrian signal and crosswalk on North Main St. in the vicinity of the Providence Center to the University Heights Shopping Plaza.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**PROVIDENCE ==> US 1**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>01/04/2006</b>	<b>Study</b>	<b>40217</b>

Request from Mr. Bernard Lebby Providence Traffic Engineer for a 2 Hour Parking zone in front of 845 North Main St. between Abbott St. and Royal St.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

**SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> MAIN ST**

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>01/04/2006</b>	<b>Study</b>	<b>40219</b>

Request from the South Kingstown Police to review the pedestrian traffic signal at the intersection of Indian Run and Kingstown Rd.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

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### WARWICK ==> POST RD US 1A

*Creation Date*

**01/04/2006**

*Disposition*

**Study**

*Item Number*

**40220**

Request from Representative Al Gemma to relocate the existing pedestrian signal between 1160 and 1175 Post Rd. to the intersection of Post Rd. and Norwood Ave.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*

### Special Event

#### SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> OLD POST RD HWY 1A

*Creation Date*

**01/04/2006**

*Disposition*

**Approved**

*Item Number*

**40221**

Request from the South Kingstown Police to permit the following events to be held by using state highways as designated in their letter to the STC dated December 14th and December 27, 2005:

The Adeline LaPlante Memorial Center's Annual Chiller Chase 5K Run/Walk on January 15, 2006.

The URI Physical Therapy Department's Spring into Motion Road Race on April 29, 2006.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Work Order Number:*



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The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, February 08, 2006 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 10:57AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Rocchio, P.E.  
Secretary

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Ms. Janis Loiselle  
Acting Chairperson