



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, March 12, 2008

In attendance were:

Ms. Janis Loiselle

Mr. Bernie Frezza

Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Ms. Janis Loiselle declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:00 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

EAST PROVIDENCE ==>> HENDERSON BRIDGE

Creation Date
1/31/2008

Disposition
Approved

Item Number
40514

Prohibit bicyclists from using the travel lanes during all construction phases where a minimum of 15 feet of pavement width is not maintained.

Require bicyclists to dismount and use the sidewalk area during the phases of construction in which a minimum of 15 feet of pavement width is not maintained and the only means of providing bicyclists access across the bridge is the sidewalk.

Comments:

Action Taken: Approved the installation of Share The Road warning signs for the areas where bicycles are allowed back on the road.

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Voting Results
Unanimous



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FOSTER ==> DANIELSON PK US 6

Creation Date
1/31/2008

Disposition
Approved

Item Number
40515

Request from Congressman James R. Langevin on behalf of Ms. Marion Law to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Rt. 94 and U.S. Rt. 6.

Comments: 2 warrants were met.

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Motion 2nd
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Voting Results
Unanimous

LINCOLN ==> FRONT ST HWY 123

Creation Date
1/31/2008

Disposition
Action Taken

Item Number
40517

Request from Representative William J. McManus to install a traffic signal on Front St. at Franklin St.

Comments: This intersection did not meet MUTCD warrants for a traffic signal. The existing pedestrian signal is also in conflict with the guide lines in the MUTCD. Because the pedestrian signal is not at the intersection a car turning right out Franklin Street will not see the red light, thus causing a pedestrian vehicle conflict. The STC considered two options based on these facts:

- 1) Remove the existing pedestrian signal.
- 2) Move the pedestrian signal to the intersection as requested.

Based on the pedestrian signal's use for the retirement home on Franklin Street, the STC voted to approve the traffic signal with the stipulation that Federal and State funds can not be used based on it not meeting an MUTCD warrant.

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Motion 2nd
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Voting Results
Unanimous



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SCITUATE ==> DANIELSON PK

<i>Creation Date</i> 1/31/2008	<i>Disposition</i> Action Taken	<i>Item Number</i> 40518
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Request from Senator Leo R. Blais on behalf of his constituents for the installation of a flashing signal in the Village of North Scituate for the purpose of slowing traffic down for those motorists who disregard the posted speed limit in the area.

Comments: Approved to install a Reduced Speed Ahead sign within the North Scituate Village.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i> Chief Thomas P. Tighe	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous
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New Business

BURRILLVILLE ==> SHERMAN FARM RD HWY 98

<i>Creation Date</i> 2/29/2008	<i>Disposition</i> Approved	<i>Item Number</i> 40522
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Request from RIDOT to approve changing the old gross weight posting of 5 TONS to a temporary new gross weight posting of 3 TONS for the Shippee Bridge on Rt. 98, in the Village of Harrisville.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i> Chief Thomas P. Tighe	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous
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NORTH KINGSTOWN ==> TEN ROD RD HWY 102

<i>Creation Date</i> 2/29/2008	<i>Disposition</i> Approved	<i>Item Number</i> 40523
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Request from RIDOT to approve creating a right turn lane in addition to painting right turn pavement arrows and installing a Right Lane Must Turn Right sign on northbound Rt. 102 at Old Baptist Rd.

Comments: Request was corrected to reflect the right turn lane request was from Representative Kenneth Carter.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i> Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Chief Thomas P. Tighe	<i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous
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NORTH PROVIDENCE ==> MINERAL SPRING AV HWY 15

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/29/2008	Study	40524

Request from Representative Arthur J. Corvese to approve installing a left turn protective arrow signal for eastbound Mineral Spring Ave. traffic turning left onto northbound Smithfield Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Thomas P. Tighe	Unanimous

PROVIDENCE ==> ELMWOOD AV US 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/29/2008	Approved	40525

Request from Representative Thomas C. Slater for the installation of a No U Turn restriction on northbound Elmwood Avenue at Carlisle Street .

Comments: U-turning traffic would block through vehicles.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Chief Thomas P. Tighe	Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

WEST WARWICK ==> PROVIDENCE ST HWY 33

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/3/2008	Study	40527

Request from West Warwick Police for the installation of a No Passing on the Right sign on Providence Street at the intersection of Wakefield Street and River Street.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Thomas P. Tighe	Unanimous



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Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, March 12, 2008

Minutes from the meetings held on February 13, 2008 and March 7, 2008 were accepted and approved.

The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, April 09, 2008 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 11:39AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE
Secretary

Approved: _____

Ms. Janis Loiselle
Acting Chairperson