



# STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

## Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, April 09, 2008

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In attendance were:

Ms. Janis Loiselle

Mr. Bernie Frezza

Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Mr. John DiTomasso

Ms. Janis Loiselle declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:02 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

#### CUMBERLAND ==> MENDON RD HWY 122

*Creation Date*  
1/7/2008

*Disposition*  
Approved

*Item Number*  
40513

Request from Representative Kenneth A. Vaudreuil for the installation of a crosswalk at Davenport's Restaurant, 1070 Mendon Road.

*Comments:* Pedestrian count was high during the PM hours totaling approximately 50 per hour from pedestrian coming from the restaurant.

*Action Taken:* Pedestrian signing was also approved.

*Motion Made*  
Chief Thomas P. Tighe

*Motion 2nd*  
Mr. John DiTomasso

*Voting Results*  
Unanimous

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#### NORTH PROVIDENCE ==> MINERAL SPRING AV HWY 15

*Creation Date*  
2/29/2008

*Disposition*  
Denied

*Item Number*  
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:* Left turns were light and would impact thru and right turns.

*Action Taken:*

*Motion Made*  
Mr. Bernie Frezza

*Motion 2nd*  
Chief Thomas P. Tighe

*Voting Results*  
Unanimous

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## WEST WARWICK ==> PROVIDENCE ST HWY 33

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

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:* Motor Vehicle Code permits passing on the right when done with caution.

*Action Taken:*

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

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## New Business

### BRISTOL ==> HOPE ST HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>4/4/2008</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40528</b>

Request from RIDOT to approve the existing mid-block crosswalk on Hope St. at Washington St.

*Comments:* Hope St. at this location is a two lane low speed road and is in the vicinity of the end of the bike path.

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
<b>Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<b>Mr. John DiTomasso</b>	<b>Unanimous</b>

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### CUMBERLAND ==> BERKLEY BRIDGE 076901

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>4/4/2008</b>	<b>Approved</b>	<b>40529</b>

Request from RIDOT to approve the removal of the posted weight limit of 5 TONS and change it to reflect NONE for the Berkley / Martin St. Bridge.

*Comments:* Bridge was reconstructed and no longer requires weight limit posting.

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
<b>Mr. John DiTomasso</b>	<b>Chief Thomas P. Tighe</b>	<b>Unanimous</b>

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### LINCOLN ==> FRONT ST HWY 123

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/4/2008	Study	40530

Request from the Lincoln Police Department to approve a fire pre-empt signal on Front Street for the Lonsdale Fire Department's fire house entrance.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. John DiTomasso	Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

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### PORTSMOUTH ==> E MAIN RD HWY 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/4/2008	Study	40532

Request from the Town of Portsmouth to reconfigure East Main Road roadway from 4 lanes to 3 lanes.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. John DiTomasso	Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

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### RICHMOND ==> KINGSTOWN RD HWY 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/4/2008	Approved	40531

Request from RIDOT to approve the following:

Traffic signal on Rt. 138 and Richmond Commons.

Change the traffic signal phasing on Rt. 138 at Brooks / Stop & Shop.

Westbound approach (Brook's) existing - one protected left turn lane and one through lane.

Westbound approach (Brook's) proposed - two permissive through lanes.

*Comments:* Richmond Commons met warrants. Brooks signal showed left turns were light and signal would work better with two through lanes.

*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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### SMITHFIELD ==> SANDERSON RD HWY 5

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/4/2008	Study	40533

Request from the Town of Smithfield to approve the installation of a "State Property - No Trespassing - No Parking sign along the sate's right - of - way on the easterly side of Sanderson Road.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

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

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### WOONSOCKET ==> BLACKSTONE BRIDGE 093901

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/4/2008	Approved	40534

Request from RIDOT to approve the removal of the posted weight limit for the Blackstone St. bridge. The bridge has been replaced and the safety is no longer an issue.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. John DiTomasso	Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

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### Special Event



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## STATEWIDE

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>4/4/2008</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Approved</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>40535</b>
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Request from the following cities and towns to use state highways as designated in their letters to the STC:

- BARRINGTON - To close and detour traffic for the CVS Charity Classic on June 22, 23, and 24, 2008 beginning each day at 6:00 AM.
- CRANSTON - The Will Speck Memorial Day Parade on 6/8/2008.
- GLOCESTER - The Gloucester Memorial Day Parade on 5/26/2008.
- JAMESTOWN - The Annual Ali Dunn Packer Memorial Road Race.
- MIDDLETOWN - The Aquidneck Island National Police Parade on 5/4/2008.
- NARRAGANSETT - The 19th Annual MS Walk on 4/20/2008, the Annual 5K Foot Pursuit on 4/27/2008, the 2nd Annual Race for Grace, and the 21st Annual Narrow River Run and Walk on 5/17/2008.
- PORTSMOUTH - The St. Anthony's Church Processions on July 19, 20, 2008.
- SOUTH KINGSTOWN - The Celebrate Summer 5K Run / Walk on 7/19/2008 and the A Place To Grow's 5K Walk / Run on 5/18/2008.
- WARREN - The Veteran's Annual Memorial Day Parade on 5/26/2008 and the Fireman's Memorial Day Parade on 6/8/2008.
- WESTERLY - The 5K Road Race to benefit the Special Olympics on 4/10/2008.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i> <b>Chief Thomas P. Tighe</b>	<i>Motion 2nd</i> <b>Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<i>Voting Results</i> <b>Unanimous</b>
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The minutes of April 9, 2008 and the minutes of the special meeting held on April 23, 2008 were unanimously approved during this meeting of May 14, 2008.

The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 10:40AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE  
Secretary

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

Ms. Janis Loiselle  
Acting Chairperson