



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, November 05, 2008

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 11:05 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

BURRILLVILLE ==> EAST AV HWY 107

Creation Date
6/30/2008

Disposition
Denied

Item Number
40579

Request from the Burrillville Town Council to replace the existing yield sign on East Ave. at Harrisville Main St. with a four-way stop or a traffic signal.

Comments:

Action Taken: Approved traffic pattern warning signs.

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Voting Results
Unanimous

CRANSTON ==> RESERVOIR AV HWY 2

Creation Date
7/29/2008

Disposition
Continued

Item Number
40591

Request from RIDOT to prohibit left turns onto Reservoir Ave from Pleasant St., Carlton St. & Sprague Ave. from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM on weekdays.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Motion 2nd
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Voting Results
Unanimous



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EAST PROVIDENCE ==> BULLOCKS POINT AV

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/2/2008	Approved	40600

Request from City of East Providence to install a crosswalk at new Riverside Library

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

PORTSMOUTH ==> BRISTOL FERRY RD HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/23/2008	Continued	40585

Request from Representative Raymond E. Gallison, Jr to approve "No Parking on both sides of northern portion Bristol Ferry Road next to the Mt. Hope Bridge.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

PORTSMOUTH ==> E MAIN RD HWY 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/5/2008	Continued	40547

Request from the Town of Portsmouth to approve a 25 MPH speed limit on East Main Road from the Police Station to Sprague Street

Comments:

Action Taken:

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



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PROVIDENCE ==> ELMWOOD AV US 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/3/2008	Approved	40605

Request from the City of Providence to approve the existing crosswalk located at 645 Elmwood Avenue

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

SCITUATE ==> DANIELSON PK

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/5/2008	Continued	40548

Request from the Town of Scituate to extend the 30 MPH speed limit to a point west of the Trinity Church.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

SMITHFIELD ==> DOUGLAS PK HWY 7

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/30/2008	Continued	40568

Request from Senator John J. Tassoni, Jr. to study the traffic weave on Douglas Pike between I-295 and Thurbur Boulevard, for possible improvements.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

New Business



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BARRINGTON ==> SOWAMS RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/3/2008	Study	40623

Request from the Barrington School department to install "No Parking, Stopping or Standing" signs in front of 349 Sowans Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

BRISTOL ==> HOPE ST HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/3/2008	Study	40615

Request from the Town of Bristol to study the safety of the existing crosswalk located in front of the Benjamin Church Manor located at 1014 Hope Street.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

CHARLESTOWN ==> POST RD U.S. 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/30/2008	Study	40608

Request from R.I.D.O.T. for the installation of "No U-Turn" signs on Route 1, in both directions, at the following jug handles:
Wildflower Road, East Beach Road, West Beach Road, Ross Hill Road & Warren Road.

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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CRANSTON ==> ATWOOD AV HWY 5

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/15/2008	Study	40616

Request from Representative Stephen R. Ucci for the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Atwood Ave. (R.I. 5) and Walnut Grove Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

CRANSTON ==> PLAINFIELD PK HWY 14

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/1/2008	Approved	40612

Request from R.I.D.O.T. to add a left turn phase on Plainfield Pike eastbound at Comstock Parkway, into the proposed development.

Comments: The developer will pay for modifications.

Action Taken:

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

CUMBERLAND ==> MANVILLE HILL RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/1/2008	Study	40614

Request from Senator Roger A. Picard for left and right turn lanes from Manville Hill Road onto Mendon Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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



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JOHNSTON ==> SIMMONSVILLE AV

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/21/2008	Approved	40617

Request from RIDOT to approve a new weight posting on the Simmonsville Bridge to 2 axle - 11 tons, 3 axle - 15 tons, 4-axle - 22 tons.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

LITTLE COMPTON ==> LONG HW

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/1/2008	Approved	40613

Request from the Little Compton Police to lower the speed limit on Long Highway from 40 MPH to 30 MPH.

Comments: Speed limit on the State portion of the highway will now match the town portion.

Action Taken:

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

NARRAGANSETT ==> POINT JUDITH ROAD HWY 108

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/21/2008	Study	40618

Request from Senator James C. Sheehan for a left turn phase on Point Judith Road at the intersection of Knowles Way.

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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NORTH SMITHFIELD ==>> PROVIDENCE PK HWY 5

<i>Creation Date</i> 9/30/2008	<i>Disposition</i> Approved	<i>Item Number</i> 40609
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Request from Senator John J. Tassoni, Jr. for the creation of a School Zone and the installation of a flashing School Zone Speed Limit sign assembly on Providence Pike, Rt. 5 for the North Smithfield Elementary School.

Comments: Town will pay for the installation and maintenance of the flashing School Zone sign.

Action Taken: Approved a 30 MPH School Zone Speed Limit and the installation of flashers.

<i>Motion Made</i> Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Chief Thomas P. Tighe	<i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous
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PORTSMOUTH ==>> W MAIN RD HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i> 9/30/2008	<i>Disposition</i> Denied	<i>Item Number</i> 40610
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Request from Representative Amy G. Rice for the installation of a left turn lane with left turn signal at the intersection of Union Street and West Main Road.

Comments: Roadway widening is needed. The RIDOT will look at the area for possible modifications.

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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SMITHFIELD ==>> DOUGLAS PK HWY 7

<i>Creation Date</i> 10/28/2008	<i>Disposition</i> Study	<i>Item Number</i> 40621
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Request from the the Town of Smithfield to prohibit parking on both sides of Douglas Pike from 500' south to 500' north of Limerock Road.

Comments:

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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WARWICK ==> W SHORE RD HWY 117

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/21/2008	Study	40619

Request from Mayor Scott Avedisian to study parking and traffic issues on West Shore Road, in Conimicut Village section of Warwick.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

WESTERLY ==> AIRPORT RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/28/2008	Approved	40622

Request from the R.I.D.O.T. to approve a traffic signal on Airport Road at the entrance to Westerly Crossing - Phase II.

Comments: The developer will pay for modifications.

Action Taken:

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

WOONSOCKET ==> MENDON RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/21/2008	Study	40620

Request from Senator Roger A. Picard to install a left turn signal on Mendon Road at Elder Ballou Meeting House Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
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Special Event



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STATEWIDE

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Requests from the following cities and towns to use state highways as designated in their letters to the STC.

Barrington - Annual "Trot Off Your Turkey" 5K Road Race, Saturday, November 29, 2008, beginning at 9:45.

Johnston - Annual Homecoming Parade, November 8, 2008, beginning at 10:00 AM.

North Kingstown - Annual Veterans Day Parade on Tuesday, November 11, 2008 beginning at 10:00 AM.

South Kingstown - Annual 5K Pumpkin Run / Race on Sunday, October 26, 2008 beginning at 11:00 AM.

- The Crabman Sprint Triathlon on Sunday, July 26, 2009 beginning at 7:00 AM.

- Peace Dale Revitalization Committee Holiday Gala, Friday, December 5, 2008 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

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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The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 11:34.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE
Secretary

Approved: _____

Ms. Janis Loiselle
Acting Chairperson