



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, December 09, 2009

In attendance were:

Ms. Janis Loiselle

Mr. Bernie Frezza

Mr. John DiTomasso

Ms. Janis Loiselle declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:20 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 ==> MIDDLE HWY.

<i>Creation Date</i> 10/2/2009	<i>Disposition</i> Approved	<i>Item Number</i> 40762
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Request from Barrington Police for a crosswalk to be installed on Middle Highway just north of the intersection of Upland Way.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

<i>Creation Date</i> 10/2/2009	<i>Disposition</i> Denied	<i>Item Number</i> 40760
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Request from Barrington Police to lower the speed limit from 30 mph to 25 mph on Washington Road.

Comments: Approved to install 25 mph school signs at the St. Luke Elementary School.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i> Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Mr. John DiTomasso	<i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous
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COVENTRY ==> MAIN ST HWY 115

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/22/2009	Denied	40772

Request from RIDOT to change the control beacon (flasher) to a full traffic signal and to eliminate some parking on the approaches to the intersection of Main Street and Lincoln Avenue/Broad Street.

Comments: Signal does not meet warrants. Approved to post No Parking zones to coincide with state law.

Action Taken:

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

CRANSTON ==> ATWOOD AV HWY 5

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/5/2009	Continued	40776

Request from Senator Beatrice Lanzi requesting a traffic signal at the Intersection of Atwood Avenue and Walnut Grove Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

JOHNSTON ==> ATWOOD AVE. R.I. 5

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/5/2009	Denied	40774

Request from Johnston Police for a crosswalk with flashing lights on Atwood Avenue in the area of 1651 Atwood Avenue.

Comments: Safest place to cross is at the Cherry Hill Road traffic signal.

Action Taken:

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



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JOHNSTON ==> ATWOOD AVE. R.I. 5

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/5/2009	Approved	40775

Request from Johnston Police to change the school zone speed limit from 20mph to 25mph on Atwood Avenue in the vicinity of Cherry Hill Road and Memorial Drive.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

LINCOLN ==> GEORGE WASHINGTON HWY HWY 116

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
6/29/2009	Tabled	40719

Request from RIDOT to modify the traffic signal at George Washington Highway and Old River Road such that northbound and southbound Old River Road have separate green phases.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

LITTLE COMPTON ==> PECKHAM RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/2/2009	Continued	40759

Request from Town of Little Compton to review the 40 mph speed limit on Peckham Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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



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LITTLE COMPTON ==> PECKHAM RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/8/2009	Continued	40771

Request from Little Compton Police to lower the speed limit from 40 mph to 35 mph on Peckham Road between the Long Highway intersection and end after the "S" turn, west of Willow Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

PROVIDENCE ==> SMITH ST US 44

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/21/2009	Continued	40757

Request from Providence City Council for the installation of pedestrian crossing signals and fluorescent crosswalks within the immediate vicinity of 243 and 244 Smith Street.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

SCITUATE ==> DANIELSON PK

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

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

This request will be continued until Danielson Pike is restriped.

Comments: Restriping of the road reduced the speed, but 40 mph is appropriate.

Action Taken:

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



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TIVERTON ==> MAIN RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
6/29/2009	Tabled	40721

Request from Town of Tiverton to determine where parking can be allowed on Main Road (from Souza Road to State Avenue).

Comments: Tabled until the Town decides where to establish parking.

Action Taken:

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

WARWICK ==> MAIN AV HWY 113

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/1/2009	Continued	40736

Request from RIDOT for crosswalk studies on Main Avenue at Greenfield Avenue and Main Avenue at Earl Street.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

WESTERLY ==> WINNAPAUG RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/2/2009	Continued	40758

Request from Senator Algieri and Representative Azzinaro to review the 40mph speed limit between Shore Road and Airport Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

New Business



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BARRINGTON ==> NEW MEADOW RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/17/2009	Approved	40779

Request from Barrington Police to install school zone flashers on New Meadow Road.

Comments: Town to pay for the installation and maintenance of the flashers.

Action Taken:

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

BARRINGTON ==> SOWAMS RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/4/2009	Approved	40789

Request from Barrington Police to install school zone flashers on Sowams Road.

Comments: Town to pay for the installation and maintenance of the flashers.

Action Taken:

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

BRISTOL ==> FERRY RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/24/2009	Action Taken	40784

Request from RIDOT on behalf of Roger Williams University to prohibit parking along lower Ferry Road between November 1 to April 1.

Comments: Snow Route Signs to be installed along the parking area.

Action Taken: The only area voted to change from 3 hour to no parking is from 20' north of the Roger Williams exit.

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



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BRISTOL ==> HOPE ST HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/19/2009	Denied	40780

Request from Town of Bristol for no parking on Route 114, 30 feet north of the driveway opening at 221 Hope Street.

Comments: Suggest the Town to request parking boxes which could help the issue. The Town will be responsible for installing these boxes.

Action Taken:

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

CRANSTON ==> ELMWOOD AV US 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/1/2009	Approved	40786

Request from RIDOT to install an "Exempt" sign for the railroad crossing Elmwood Avenue on the Warwick/Cranston line.

Comments: Rail line is out of service.

Action Taken:

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

JOHNSTON ==> ATWOOD AVE. R.I. 5

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/30/2009	Approved	40785

Request from Town of Johnston to remove traffic signs related to Memorial Avenue being a one way. This Town road will be changed to a two way operation. The Town also requests a crosswalk from the High School exit across Atwood Avenue and Memorial Avenue.

Comments: Approved two-way road on Memorial Avenue and denied crosswalk on Atwood Avenue. Safest place to cross is at the Cherry Hill Road signal.

Action Taken:

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



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JOHNSTON ==> PUTNAM PK. U.S. 44

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/17/2009	No Action	40777

Request from RIDOT to perform a speed study to determine an appropriate speed limit for the section of Route 44 from the Smithfield Town line to Scenery Lane in Johnston.

Comments: Existing 40 mph speed limit is appropriate.

Action Taken:

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

NARRAGANSETT ==> NARRAGANSETT AV US 1A

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/3/2009	Approved	40788

Request from Town of Narragansett to delineate parking spaces (20 to 22 feet in length) along both the north and south side of Narragansett Avenue ending 6 feet before driveways between Kingstown Road and Caswell Road and paint the curbing for a distance of 15 feet on either side of each fire hydrant to delineate no parking in the same area.

Comments: Install parking boxes. The Town will be responsible for the installation of these boxes. Denied curb painting.

Action Taken:

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

NORTH KINGSTOWN ==> TOWER HILL RD US 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/23/2009	Study	40781

Request from Town of North Kingstown Planning Director for a marked crosswalk approximately 120' north of the intersection of Tower Hill Road and Oak Hill Road to connect Razez Motorcycle Center to their parking lot across the street.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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



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PORTSMOUTH ==> W MAIN RD HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/2/2009	Study	40787

Request from RIDOT to study the feasibility of installing left turn lanes on West Main Road at Union Street, Raytheon, King Charles, and Corey and Hedly.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

PROVIDENCE ==> NARRAGANSETT BLVD. U.S. 1A

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/23/2009	Study	40782

Request from City of Providence to determine if a traffic signal should be installed at the intersection of Narragansett Boulevard and Ohio Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

WARWICK ==> WARWICK AV HWY 117

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/17/2009	Study	40778

Request from Senator McCaffrey for a traffic study at the intersection of Warwick Avenue and Squantum Drive to determine the feasibility of having a left turn arrow heading north on Warwick Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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



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WESTERLY ==> WATCH HILL RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/7/2009	Approved	40790

Request from RIDOT to reconsider a crosswalk across Watch Hill Road at Setting Sun Drive.

Comments: Meets the minimum site stopping distance.

Action Taken:

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

STATEWIDE

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/23/2009	Approved	40783

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

Narragansett - Annual MS Walk on April 18, 2010.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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



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The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 12:07.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE
Secretary

Approved: _____

Ms. Janis Loiselle
Acting Chairperson