



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, August 26, 2010

In attendance were:

Mr. Michael P. Lewis

Mr. Bernie Frezza

Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Chief Thomas P. Tighe declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 3:15 PM.

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 ==> NAYATT RD.

Creation Date
7/1/2010

Disposition
Approved

Item Number
40866

Request from Representative Joy Hearn and Senator David Bates to perform a comprehensive safety study on Nyatt Road to determine short term and long term improvements relative to schoolchildren/pedestrian safety, as well as, motorists safety.

Comments: Approved items on the roadways conditions table dated 8/25/10:
Approved: delineations were feasible, approved electronic driver feedback signs, approved school zone flashers, colored crosswalks and in-road pedestrian warning signs. Last 3 items to be installed, owned and maintained by the Town.

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. Michael P. Lewis

Voting Results
Unanimous



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BRISTOL ==> HOPE ST HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/7/2010	Continued	40869

Request from Bristol Police to maintain the crosswalk at Wardwell Street with flashing pedestrian lights in the RIDOT Resurfacing project.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Cpl. Ann Assumpico	Unanimous

CHARLESTOWN ==> POST RD U.S. 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/7/2010	Continued	40867

Request from Charlestown Police to reduce the speed limit on U.S. Route 1 from 50 MPH to 40 MPH between the Westerly Town Line and Tamanco Drive in Charlestown.

Continue to July 2011 Meeting.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. John DiTomasso	Cpl. Ann Assumpico	Unanimous

COVENTRY ==> WASHINGTON ST HWY 33

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/1/2010	Denied	40855

RIDOT request, on behalf of the Knotty Oak Village Tenant Association, to install a traffic signal on Washington Street at Contentment Drive.

Comments: Does not meet MUTCD warrants.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Michael P. Lewis	Unanimous



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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/25/2010	Continued	40846

Request from Representative Scott M. Pollard to evaluate whether the traffic signal at Putnam Pike and Money Hill Road operates more efficiently and safely on flash or in full operation mode.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. John DiTomasso	Cpl. Ann Assumpico	Unanimous

JOHNSTON ==> HARTFORD AVE. U.S. 6, U.S. 6A

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/25/2010	Continued	40845

Request from Johnston Police for the installation of a flashing light or pavement markings/warning signs or other safety devices at 1126 Hartford Avenue, Tri-Town Community Action Agency.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. John DiTomasso	Cpl. Ann Assumpico	Unanimous

PAWTUCKET ==> ARMISTICE BLVD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/1/2010	Continued	40865

Request from City of Pawtucket to install two crosswalks on Armistice Boulevard at (1) Slater Memorial Park Entrance and at (2) the bike path.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Cpl. Ann Assumpico	Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



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PAWTUCKET ==> BROADWAY US 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
6/4/2010	Continued	40853

Request from Pawtucket Police to install a stop sign at the end of Exit 29 on I-95 northbound, merging onto Broadway heading north.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Cpl. Ann Assumpico	Unanimous

PORTSMOUTH ==> W MAIN RD HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/2/2009	Continued	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. John DiTomasso	Cpl. Ann Assumpico	Unanimous

PROVIDENCE ==> ELMWOOD AV US 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/1/2010	Approved	40856

Request from Providence Police to install a school zone on Elmwood Avenue with flashing lights and reduce the speed on Elmwood Avenue between Princeton Avenue and Whitmarsh Street.

Comments: Approved 20 MPH school speed zone and flashing school zone sign. City to own, install and maintain.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Michael P. Lewis	Unanimous



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WARWICK ==> BALD HILL RD HWY 2

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/1/2010	Continued	40857

Request from RIDOT to examine the operation of the traffic signal at Quaker Lane.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

WOONSOCKET ==> DIAMOND HILL RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/1/2010	Continued	40858

Request from Representative Lisa Baldelli-Hunt to add a right turn lane at the intersection of Diamond Hill Road and Social Street for the Social Street northbound approach.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Cpl. Ann Assumpico	Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

New Business



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CRANSTON ==> NEW LONDON AV HWY 2

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
8/23/2010	Approved	40876

Request from RIDOT to approve the new configuration and traffic signal phasing for the intersection of New London Avenue and Howard Avenue, as designed in the Pastore Center Access Improvements. New London Avenue; Southbound - 2 left turn lanes, 2 through lanes, Northbound - 1 left turn lane, 3 through lanes, Signal Phasing - Northbound, Southbound left turns; Northbound, Southbound through; Howard Avenue; Garden Hills Drive (split phasing on side street).

Comments: Changes were based on increased traffic due to DMV.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Michael P. Lewis	Unanimous

LINCOLN ==> FRONT ST HWY 123

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/30/2010	Approved	40874

Request from Senator Edward O'Neill for permission for the Town to paint the middle of the existing crosswalk on Front Street in front of the Post Office.

Comments: Approved on the condition that the Town will maintain.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Michael P. Lewis	Unanimous

LINCOLN ==> FRONT ST HWY 123

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/26/2010	Study	40873

Request from Lincoln Police to prohibit parking on the eastbound side of Front Street in the vicinity of St. Jude's Church. Additionally, clarify the No Parking signing on the westbound side in the vicinity of the crosswalk.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Cpl. Ann Assumpico	Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



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STATEWIDE

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7/26/2010	Approved	40872

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

Middletown - Triathlon on September 25, 2010.

South Kingstown - Annual Memorial Parade on September 26, 2010.

South Kingstown - Annual Veteran's Day Parade on November 11, 2010.

Warren - The Christopher Stone Fund Road Race on September 5, 2010.

West Warwick - Annual Thomas P. Medeiros/Brian St.Germain Memorial 5K Road Race on September 6, 2010.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. Michael P. Lewis

Voting Results
Unanimous



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The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 3:33pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE
Secretary

Approved: _____

Chief Thomas P. Tighe
Chairperson