



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, November 10, 2010

In attendance were:

Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Cpl. Ann Assumpico

Mr. Bernie Frezza

Mr. John DiTomasso

Chief Thomas P. Tighe declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:15 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

BRISTOL ==> HOPE ST HWY 114

Creation Date

10/4/2010

Disposition

Denied

Item Number

40885

Request from Representative Raymond E. Gallison, Jr. to prohibit parking in the vicinity of 249 Hope Street.

Comments: Shoulder wide enough for parking.

Action Taken:

Motion Made

Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd

Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results

Unanimous



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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> |
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| Mr. Bernie Frezza | Cpl. Ann Assumpico | Unanimous |

EAST PROVIDENCE ==> WILLETT AVE. R.I. 103

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 10/7/2010 | Approved | 40892 |

Request from City of East Providence to install crosswalks at the intersection of Willett Avenue and Crescent View Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

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

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 5/25/2010 | No Action | 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: Study showed full traffic signal is needed at certain times of the day and flash at other times.

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> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 10/4/2010 | Denied | 40889 |

Request from Town of Johnston to designate a handicap parking space on Atwood Avenue in front of St. Rocco's School.

Comments: ADA requires 15 feet shoulder and shoulder is only 7 feet wide.

Action Taken:

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

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

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 5/25/2010 | Action Taken | 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: Approved crosswalk between Route 6 and Johnston Senior Center and re-strip to 3 lanes.

Action Taken:

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

NEWPORT ==> FARWELL ST

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 10/4/2010 | Approved | 40884 |

Request from City of Newport for a left turn phase on southbound Farewell Street at Van Zandt Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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



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WARWICK ==>> FORGE RD

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| <i>Creation Date</i> 9/8/2010 | <i>Disposition</i> Continued | <i>Item Number</i> 40879 |
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Request from City of Warwick to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Potowomut Road and Old Forge Road.

Continue to July 2011 Meeting

Comments:

Action Taken:

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| <i>Motion Made</i> Cpl. Ann Assumpico | <i>Motion 2nd</i> Mr. Bernie Frezza | <i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous |
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WARWICK ==>> MAIN AV HWY 113

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|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <i>Creation Date</i> 9/1/2009 | <i>Disposition</i> Approved | <i>Item Number</i> 40736 |
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Request from RIDOT for crosswalk studies on Main Avenue at Greenfield Avenue and Main Avenue at Earl Street.

Comments: Additional warning signs to be installed.

Action Taken:

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| <i>Motion Made</i> Mr. Bernie Frezza | <i>Motion 2nd</i> Mr. John DiTomasso | <i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous |
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WESTERLY ==>> LANGWORTHY RD

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| <i>Creation Date</i> 10/6/2010 | <i>Disposition</i> Approved | <i>Item Number</i> 40891 |
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Request from Westerly Police to conduct a speed study on Langworthy Road to determine if the existing 25 MPH speed limit is appropriate.

Comments: Approved speed limit to 30 MPH.

Action Taken:

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



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BRISTOL ==> METACOM AV HWY 136

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
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| 11/1/2010 | Study | 40896 |

Request from Representative Raymond E. Gallison, Jr to install crosswalks and an exclusive pedestrian phase at the intersection of Metacom Avenue and Bay View Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

CHARLESTOWN ==> POST RD U.S. 1

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 11/5/2010 | Approved | 40906 |

Request from RIDOT to implement near term safety improvements from Westerly Town Line to South Kingstown Town Line.

Comments:

Action Taken: The following applies to the 6 traffic signals on Post Road, Warren, Ross Hill, West Beach, East Beach and Wildflower - increase yellow from 4.5 to 5.0 and increase red from 1.5 to 2.0. Add traffic signal ahead warning sign and deer crossing sign at project limits.

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

CHARLESTOWN ==> POST RD U.S. 1

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
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| 11/5/2010 | Approved | 40904 |

Request from Representative Donna Walsh requesting an "Observatory" Sign Plaque attached to the existing Ninigret Park signs.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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



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LINCOLN ==> FRONT ST HWY 123

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
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| 11/1/2010 | Study | 40901 |

Request from Senator O'Neil to reduce the speed limit on Front Street from 30 MPH to 25 MPH.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

PORTSMOUTH ==> E MAIN RD HWY 138

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 11/1/2010 | Study | 40895 |

Request from Representative Rice and Senator Levesque to make short term improvements such as signs, flashers and re-timing the existing traffic signals on East Main Road to provide gaps for in through traffic. Also, the reduction in travel lanes from 4 to 3.

To make long term improvements such as installation of a traffic signal, which should be studied during June, to coincide with programs at the athletic fields across from Oakland Farm.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

WARWICK ==> AIRPORT CONNECTOR

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
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| 11/5/2010 | Study | 40905 |

RIDOT request on behalf of a citizen to install a No Right on Red sign at the bottom of Airport Connector Eastbound onto Post Road South.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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



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WARWICK ==> NARRAGANSETT PW

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| 11/1/2010 | Study | 40899 |

Request from Warwick Police to provide a left turn lane on Narragansett Parkway at the intersection of Warwick Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

WARWICK ==> WARWICK AV HWY 117

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 11/1/2010 | Study | 40900 |

Request from Warwick Police to provide a left turn lane on Namquid Drive and Partition Street at their 4-way intersection of Warwick Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

WESTERLY ==> WESTERLY BRADFORD RD HWY 91

| <i>Creation Date</i> | <i>Disposition</i> | <i>Item Number</i> |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 11/4/2010 | Study | 40903 |

Request from Westerly Police to reduce the speed limit on Route 91 from 45 MPH to 35 MPH between Westerly Bradford Road through Newton's Marsh.

Comments:

Action Taken:

| <i>Motion Made</i> | <i>Motion 2nd</i> | <i>Voting Results</i> |
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| 11/1/2010 | Continued | 40898 |

Request from Senator Lou Raptakis to review the Business Logo Sign Fee for Existing Approved Signs.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Cpl. Ann Assumpico

Voting Results
Unanimous

STATEWIDE

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| 11/3/2010 | Approved | 40902 |

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

Portsmouth - 5K Road Race on May 30, 2011.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous



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The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, December 08, 2010 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 11:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE
Secretary

Approved: _____

Chief Thomas P. Tighe
Chairperson