



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, April 13, 2011

In attendance were:

Chief Thomas P. Tighe

Mr. Bernie Frezza

Mr. John DiTomasso

Captain David Tikoian

Chief Thomas P. Tighe declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:10 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> 1/24/2011	<i>Disposition</i> Continued	<i>Item Number</i> 40932
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Request from Town of Barrington to consider geometric improvements to the South Lake Drive approach to Middle Highway.

Comments:

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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BRISTOL ==> METACOM AV HWY 136

<i>Creation Date</i> 11/1/2010	<i>Disposition</i> Continued	<i>Item Number</i> 40896
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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> Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Mr. John DiTomasso	<i>Voting Results</i> 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>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. John DiTomasso	Unanimous

CRANSTON ==> SCITUATE AV HWY 12

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/26/2010	No Action	40913

Request from City of Cranston for safety and capacity improvements to the intersection of Scituate Avenue and Phenix Avenue.

Comments: Intersection will be addressed under the High Hazard Contract.

Action Taken:

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

CUMBERLAND ==> MENDON RD HWY 122

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/1/2011	Continued	40939

Request from Cumberland Police to prohibit right turns on red for Martin Street onto Mendon 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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EXETER ==> TEN ROD RD. R.I. 102

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/1/2011	Continued	40943

Request from RIDOT to approve a stop sign at the end of the new Shartner's Farm Driveway onto Ten Rod Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

FOSTER ==> MOOSUP VALLEY RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/7/2011	No Action	40930

RIDOT request on behalf of a citizen to establish and post a speed limit on Mossup Valley Road.

Comments: 35 MPH speed limit was previously approved by the STC. No modifications needed. Additional signs to be installed.

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>
12/14/2010	Continued	40920

RIDOT request on behalf of Libreria Habacuc Christian Bookstore to install a crosswalk at 761 Hartford 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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JOHNSTON ==> PLAINFIELD PK. R.I. 14

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/31/2010	Continued	40927

Request from Representative Stephen R. Ucci to install a center turn lane on Plainfield Pike in the vicinity of Nardolillo Street.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

JOHNSTON ==> PLAINFIELD ST. R.I. 14

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/31/2010	Continued	40921

Request from Town of Johnston to investigate traffic calming measures on Plainfield Street in the vicinity of St. Brigit's Church.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/31/2011	Continued	40933

Request from Mayor Polisenia to study the feasibility of changing Putnam Pike from 4 lanes to 3 lanes in the vicinity of Scenery Lane.

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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LINCOLN ==> FRONT ST. R.I. 123

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

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

Comments:

Action Taken: 25 MPH speed limit was approved from River Road to Lonsdale Avenue.

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

LINCOLN ==> HWY 146

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/1/2011	Continued	40938

Request from Senator Edward O'Neil to install Great Road Historic District exit signs on Route 146.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

NARRAGANSETT ==> GALILEE CONNECTOR RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/1/2011	Continued	40940

Request from RIDEM to conduct a safety review of the appropriateness of the currently allowed parking on the east side of the Galilee Connector.

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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NARRAGANSETT ==> S FERRY RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/1/2010	Continued	40917

Request from Town of Narragansett for a left turn light on South Ferry Road, turning south onto Boston Neck Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

NORTH PROVIDENCE ==> MINERAL SPRING AV HWY 15

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/26/2010	Continued	40907

Request from North Providence Police to maintain the NO RIGHT TURN ON RED for the Mineral Spring Westbound approach to Douglas Avenue. Also, request to designate the right lane on the Westbound approach to a right turn only lane.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

PORTSMOUTH ==> E MAIN RD HWY 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/1/2010	Continued	40895

Request from former 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>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. John DiTomasso	Unanimous



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PROVIDENCE ==> NORTH MAIN ST U.S.1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/7/2011	Continued	40931

RIDOT request on behalf of a citizen to determine if the right red arrow from Olney Street onto North Main Street is appropriate for this intersection.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

SCITUATE ==> TUNK HILL RD HWY 12

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/4/2011	Continued	40936

Request from Scituate Police to evaluate the signing and other possible safety measures on Tunk Hill Road between Matteson Road and the Gainor Dam.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> HWY 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/26/2010	Continued	40908

RIDOT request on behalf of a citizen to install flashing lights or other pedestrian safety items for the crosswalks on Route 138 in the vicinity of URI's Graduate Village.

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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SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==>> KINGSTOWN RD HWY 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/4/2011	Continued	40928

Request from South Kingstown Police to conduct a traffic engineering study for pedestrian safety on Kingstown Road between School Street and Kersey Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous

WARWICK ==>> FORGE RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/8/2010	Continued	40879

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:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous

WARWICK ==>> NARRAGANSETT PW

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/1/2010	Continued	40899

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

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous



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WARWICK ==>> POST RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/3/2010	Continued	40919

Request from Representative Joseph McNamara to perform a traffic study of the intersection of Post Road and Fairfax Drive to provide a left turn phase for Post Road Southbound.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous

WARWICK ==>> WARWICK AV HWY 117

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/1/2010	Continued	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:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous

WEST GREENWICH ==>> ROUTE 3

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/31/2011	Continued	40934

Request from Representative Lisa Tomasso to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Route 3 and Mishnock Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous



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WEST GREENWICH ==> ROUTE 3

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/31/2011	Continued	40935

Request from Representative Lisa Tomasso to add a left turn lane and/or reduce the speed limit on Route 3 in the vicinity of Greenwich West Development.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

WESTERLY ==> SHORE RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/4/2011	Continued	40937

Request from Senator Dennis Algieri to conduct a study to determine if a 4-way stop is appropriate at the intersection of Shore Road and Ocean View Highway.

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>
3/1/2011	Continued	40941

Request from Senator Dennis Algieri to implement capacity and safety improvements to the intersection of Winnapaug 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



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STATEWIDE

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/1/2011	Approved	40944

Request from RI State Police to install "Move over it's the Law" signs on freeways throughout Rhode Island

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous

New Business

BARRINGTON ==>> COUNTY RD. R.I. 103, R.I. 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/28/2011	Study	40951

Request from Barrington Police to determine if the existing traffic signal phasing is appropriate at the intersection of County Road and Massasoit Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous

CRANSTON ==>> POWER ROAD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/22/2011	Action Taken	40949

Request from RIDOT on behalf of a citizens to conduct a study to determine if the intersection of Power Road and Chapel View Boulevard should be a 2 way stop or a 4 way stop.

Comments: Approved 2 way stop for Chapel View Boulevard.

Action Taken:

Motion Made
Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. John DiTomasso

Voting Results
Unanimous



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CUMBERLAND ==> ALBION ROAD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/28/2011	Study	40952

Request from Cumberland Police to establish a posted speed limit for Albion Road. Currently the speed limit is prima facie.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

CUMBERLAND ==> HIGH ST HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/28/2011	Study	40954

Request from Cumberland Police to install NO PARKING TO CORNER on High Street in the vicinity of Church Street.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

CUMBERLAND ==> MANVILLE HILL RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/28/2011	Study	40953

Request from Cumberland Police to install NO PARKING TO CORNER on Manville Hill Road in the area of Coldwell 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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EXETER ==> SOUTH COUNTY TR. R.I. 2

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/29/2011	Study	40956

Request from Town of Exeter to add a left turn lane and right turn lane on South County Trail at the intersection of Deer Brook.

Comments:

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>
3/21/2011	Approved	40946

Request from Mayor Joseph Polisenia to add a left turn phase on the Hartford Avenue eastbound approach to the Johnston Senior Center.

Comments:

Action Taken:

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

NORTH PROVIDENCE ==> DOUGLAS AVE. R.I. 7

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/28/2011	Study	40950

Request from Town of North Providence to conduct a pedestrian safety study in the vicinity of 1155 Douglas 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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NORTH SMITHFIELD ==>> PROVIDENCE PK HWY 5

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/21/2011	Action Taken	40947
Request from Senator John Tassoni to evaluate the speed limit on Providence Pike between the Smithfield Town Line and Greenville Road in North Smithfield.		
<i>Comments:</i> Speed limit will be maintained at 40 MPH and 30 MPH for school zone. Signs will be modified to coincide with state law. Traffic calming measures at the intersection of Route 5 & 7 will be incorporated into the design.		
<i>Action Taken:</i>		
<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>
3/28/2011	Approved	40955
Request from RIDOT to modify the standard posting sign to show weights for 2,3,4 and 5 or more axles for all posted bridges.		
<i>Comments:</i>		
<i>Action Taken:</i>		
<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, May 11, 2011 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 11:40am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE
Secretary

Approved: _____

Chief Thomas P. Tighe
Chairperson