



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

In attendance were:

Mr. John DiTomasso

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE

**Mr. Bernie Frezza

Chief Edward Mello

*Mr. John DiTomasso declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:05 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.

Consent Agenda

BURRILLVILLE ==> BRONCO HW HWY 102

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/2/2011	Continued	40958

Request from RIDOT on behalf of a citizen to study pedestrian safety, specifically the lighting of the crosswalk at the newly signalized intersection of Bronco Highway and Inman Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

BURRILLVILLE ==> BRONCO HW HWY 102

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/2/2011	Continued	40959

Request from Town of Burrillville to install a southbound left turn lane on Bronco Highway at the Glendale Bypass.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

CRANSTON ==> PLAINFIELD PK. R.I. 14

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/24/2012	Continued	41106

Request from Mayor Allan Fung for an evaluation of the two-way left turn lane on Plainfield Pike from Blue Jay Drive to 600 feet west of Capitol Street with respect to on street parking.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

EAST PROVIDENCE ==> PAWTUCKET AVE. R.I. 1A / 103 / 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/31/2011	Continued	41065

Request from City of East Providence to install a crosswalk in the vicinity of 2928 Pawtucket Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

EAST PROVIDENCE ==> TAUNTON AVE. U.S. 44

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/4/2011	Continued	41049

Request from City of East Providence to convert Taunton Avenue from four lanes to three lanes between Hall Street and Seekonk Massachusetts Boundary.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

EXETER ==> TEN ROD RD. R.I. 102 / R.I. 165

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/4/2012	Continued	41152

Request from RIDOT on behalf of a citizen to study the passing zones on Ten Rod Road (Route 165) from Nooseneck Hill Road (Route 3) to the Connecticut State Line.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/1/2011	Continued	41070

Request from Representative Stephen Ucci requesting a review of the lane reduction on Atwood Avenue just south of the intersection with Central Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/7/2011	Continued	41045

Request from Representative Stephen Ucci for a left turn phase from Atwood Avenue into the middle school and a left turn phase exiting the middle school.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

NORTH PROVIDENCE ==> MINERAL SPRING AVE. R.I. 15

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/6/2011	Continued	41079

Request from Town of North Providence to install a left turn phase on Mineral Spring Avenue Eastbound at Smithfield Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

PORTSMOUTH ==> EAST MAIN RD. R.I. 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/31/2012	Continued	41119

Request from Senator Christopher Ottiano to install a pedestrian signal at the existing midblock crossing on East Main Road in front of the Town Hall.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

PORTSMOUTH ==> WEST MAIN RD. R.I. 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/6/2011	Continued	41076

Request from RIDOT on behalf of a citizen to study the speed limit on West Main Road from the Middletown Town Line to Turnpike Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

SMITHFIELD ==> GEORGE WASHINGTON HWY. R.I. 116

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/26/2012	Continued	41113

Request from Senator John Tassoni to provide a center left turn lane on George Washington Highway from Douglas Pike to Lydia Ann Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> KINGSTOWN RD HWY 108

<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:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> MAIN ST.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/26/2012	Continued	41114

Request from South Kingstown Police to perform a pedestrian road safety assessment along Main Street.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

WARREN ==> MAIN ST HWY 114

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/15/2012	Continued	41120

Request from RIDOT to install a crosswalk on Main Street in front of the Mary Quirk School building. The school is closed, but the building is used as a daycare facility.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

WARWICK ==> IVES RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/26/2012	Continued	41109

Request from City of Warwick to study the feasibility of a signal at Old Forge Road and Ives Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

WARWICK ==> POST RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
8/4/2011	Continued	41035

Request from RIDOT to install a traffic light on Post Road near the entrance to Dave's Bar and Grill.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

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:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

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. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

WESTERLY ==> WATCH HILL RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/3/2012	Continued	41090

Request from Senator Dennis Algieri to conduct a traffic/safety study on Watch Hill Road between Avondale Road to Foster's Cove Road. This request is due to a recent pedestrian fatality on this road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

WESTERLY ==> WATCH HILL RD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/27/2012	Continued	41116

Request from RIDOT on behalf of Avondale Homeowners Association for safety improvements on Watch Hill Road at the intersection with Avondale Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	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. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

Old Business

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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
12/6/2011	Action Taken	41080

Request from Glocester Police Department to review the speed limit on Route 44 Westbound into the Chepachet Village.

Comments: Approved the addition of a Hill Blocks View sign with a 35 MPH advisory plaque.

Action Taken: The speed study showed the existing speed limit is appropriate.

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

JOHNSTON ==>> GEORGE WATERMAN RD. R.I. 128

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/9/2012	Approved	41144

Request from Representative Deborah Fellela to install no parking signs or limited time parking in the vicinity of 234-250 George Waterman Road.

Comments: Approved no parking to corner signs.

Action Taken:

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

SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==>> TOWER HILL RD. U.S. 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/3/2012	Continued	41143

Request from South Kingstown Police to study the speed limit on Tower Hill Road (US Rte. 1) between North Kingstown town line and Narragansett town line.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

WESTERLY ==>> WESTERLY BRADFORD RD HWY 91

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/2/2012	Continued	41138

Request from Senator Dennis Algieri and Representative Azzanaro to review the existing passing zones on Westerly Bradford Road between Church Street and Dunns Corner Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

New Business



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

CRANSTON ==> WARWICK AVE. R.I. 1A / R.I. 117

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/30/2012	Study	41147

Request from Mayor Allan Fung to evaluate the pedestrian and traffic safety on Warwick Avenue between Park Avenue and Norwood Avenue. Evaluate the feasibility of a road diet.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

CUMBERLAND ==> ANGELL RD. R.I. 116

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/30/2012	Action Taken	41146

Request from Cumberland Police to evaluate the feasibility of reducing the speed limit on Angell Road. The current speed limit is 40 MPH.

Comments:

Action Taken: The report findings showed the speed limit is appropriate at 40 MPH. Voted to maintain the existing 40 MPH speed limit.

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

GLOCESTER ==> SNAKE HILL RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/30/2012	Study	41150

Request from Senate Majority Leader Dominick J. Ruggiero to install a school bus stop ahead on Snake Hill Road at Stillwater Drive vehicles traveling in the eastbound direction.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

NORTH SMITHFIELD ==> MAIN ST.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/30/2012	Approved	41145

Request from RIDOT on behalf of the Town of North Smithfield to install signing for the Municipal Court located at 13 Main Street. Specific locations for these signs include North Main Street at the intersection with Main Street and on Main Street at the driveway opening to access the Court.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

NORTH SMITHFIELD ==> PROVIDENCE PK. R.I. 5

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/4/2012	Approved	41155

Request from the RIDOT on behalf of a PAPA Applicant to modify the existing passing zones along Providence Pike. There is passing existing between Menard Lane and the North Smithfield Elementary School Driveway. The passing zone will be eliminated due to the addition of a driveway for the housing development between Menard Lane and the School Driveway (~850 feet). The limits within North Smithfield are from the Smithfield townline to the North Smithfield Elementary School Driveway.

Comments: The addition of the street in the middle of the passing zone results in inappropriate site distances for passing.

Action Taken: Approved to eliminate the passing zones.

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

PROVIDENCE ==> HARTFORD AVE. U.S. 6 / U.S. 6A

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/4/2012	Approved	41151

Request from City of Providence to provide pedestrian accommodations at the signal located on Hartford Avenue (Route 6A) and Petteys Avenue/Glenbridge Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

PROVIDENCE ==> SMITH ST. U.S. 44

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/4/2012	Approved	41153

Request from the City of Providence to restrict right turns on red from Smith Street westbound onto Peckham Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

SCITUATE ==> HARTFORD PK. U.S. 6 / R.I. 101

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/30/2012	Study	41149

Request from Scituate Police Chief to evaluate the safety of Hartford Pike at Gleaner Chapel Road. Evaluate the feasibility of reducing the speed limit modifying the passing zones, changing the current signage and/or pavement markings.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

SMITHFIELD ==> PROVIDENCE PK. AKA BRANCH PK.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/4/2012	Approved	41154

Request from the RIDOT on behalf of a PAPA Applicant to modify the existing passing zones along Providence Pike. There is passing existing between Menard Lane and the North Smithfield Elementary School Driveway. The passing zone will be eliminated due to the addition of a driveway for the housing development between Menard Lane and the School Driveway (~850 feet). The limits within Smithfield are from Menard Lane to the North Smithfield townline.

Comments: The addition of the street in the middle of the passing zone results in inappropriate site distances for passing.

Action Taken: Approved to eliminate the passing zones.

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

WEST WARWICK ==> WASHINGTON ST. R.I. 33

Creation Date
5/4/2012

Disposition
Study

Item Number
41156

Request from the West Warwick Police Department to perform a pedestrian safety study on Washington Street at Crawford Street/Brookside Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
**Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE

Voting Results
Unanimous

WESTERLY ==> SHORE RD. R.I. 1A

Creation Date
4/30/2012

Disposition
Study

Item Number
41148

Request from Senator Algieri to study the speed limit on Shore Road between Watch Hill Road (Route 1A) and Post Road (US Route 1). It is currently posted at 40 MPH.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
**Mr. Bernie Frezza

Motion 2nd
Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE

Voting Results
Unanimous



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, May 09, 2012

The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 10:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Steven Pristawa, PE
Secretary

Approved: _____

*Mr. John DiTomasso
Chairperson

**Mr. Bernie Frezza
Vice Chairperson