



STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, April 10, 2013

In attendance were:

Mr. John DiTomasso

Trooper Amanda Brezniak

**Mr. Bernie Frezza

Chief Edward Mello

Mr. John DiTomasso declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:07 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 ==> EAST AVE. R.I. 107

Creation Date
10/23/2012

Disposition
Continued

Item Number
41238

Request from Burrillville Town Council for a 4 way stop control or a traffic signal at the intersection of East Avenue (Route 107) and Main Street (Route 98/107). The current configuration is atypical with a yield control on East Avenue, stop control on Main Street northbound and the A.T. Levy School driveway, and a free movement on Main Street southbound.

Comments:

Action Taken:

Motion Made
****Mr. Bernie Frezza**

Motion 2nd
Chief Edward Mello

Voting Results
Unanimous



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CHARLESTOWN ==> POST RD. U.S. 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/28/2013	Continued	41252

Request from Senator Algieri on behalf of the Castle Rock Condominiums for a right turn lane on Post Road (US 1) South at the intersection with Castlerock Drive.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

COVENTRY ==> NOOSENECK HILL RD. R.I. 3

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/27/2013	Continued	41264

Request from the Town of Coventry to install a center turn lane on Nooseneck Hill Road between Reservoir Road and Harkney Hill Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

COVENTRY ==> VICTORY HWY. R.I. 102

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/25/2013	Continued	41262

Request from Fire Chief Quattrini to install a fire station signal in front of the Western Coventry Fire Department located at 1110 Victory Highway.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous



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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.

Comment: On hold per request of Planning Department until approval from the City Council is obtained.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

JAMESTOWN ==> BEAVERTAIL RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/18/2013	Continued	41259

Request from Chief Mello to determine if parking can be safely accommodated through signing and/or striping improvements on the south side of Beavertail Road from Fort Getty Road to approximately 425 feet north of Fort Getty Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

JAMESTOWN ==> HAMILTON AVE.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/18/2013	Continued	41260

Request from Chief Mello to review Hamilton Avenue from Southwest Avenue to Walcott Avenue to determine appropriate parking limits on the north side of the roadway.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous



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JOHNSTON ==>> GREENVILLE AVE.

<i>Creation Date</i> 12/3/2012	<i>Disposition</i> Continued	<i>Item Number</i> 41245
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Request from RIDOT on behalf of a private citizen to review the speed limit on Greenville Ave from the Smithfield Town Line to the Providence City Line. The current posted speed limit is inconsistent along the corridor and is as follows:

Eastbound

- 30 mph from the Smithfield Town Line to just east of Harrilla Lane
- 40 mph from just east of Harrilla Lane to the I-295 overpass
- 35 mph from the I-295 overpass to Atwood Avenue
- 25 mph from Atwood Avenue to the Providence City Line

Westbound

- 25 mph from the Providence City Line to Cherry Hill Road
- 30 mph from Cherry Hill Road to Roger Road
- 25 mph from Roger Road to Janet Drive
- 35 mph from Janet Drive to the Smithfield Town Line.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i> **Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Chief Edward Mello	<i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous
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MIDDLETOWN ==>> WEST MAIN RD. R.I. 114 / R.I. 138

<i>Creation Date</i> 2/19/2013	<i>Disposition</i> Continued	<i>Item Number</i> 41261
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Request from RIDOT on behalf of a citizen to install a midblock crosswalk on West Main Road at the existing RIPTA bus stop located adjacent to 208 West Main Road just south of Rosedale Avenue.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i> **Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Chief Edward Mello	<i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous
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NARRAGANSETT ==> OCEAN RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/2/2013	Continued	41250

Request from the Town of Narragansett to study the feasibility and traffic impacts of making the section of Ocean Road from Beach Street to South Pier Road a one-way northbound. Southbound traffic would be diverted to Boon Street and redirected to Ocean Road at South Pier Road.

Comment: Traffic counts will be conducted in Summer 2013.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

NORTH KINGSTOWN ==> POST RD. U.S. 1

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/30/2012	Continued	41192

Request from Town of North Kingstown to study the feasibility of installing a road diet on Post Road between Maxwell Drive and West Main Street (Route 1A).

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> MAIN ST.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/6/2012	Continued	41218

Request from Chief Vespa of the South Kingstown Police to physically prohibit left turns and through movements from the CVS driveway on Main Street, as well as Cherry Lane, located just west of the intersection with Kingstown Road and Old Tower Hill Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous



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WEST GREENWICH ==> INTERSTATE 95

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
1/2/2013	Continued	41249

Request from RIDOT on behalf of a citizen to review the geometry of the off-ramps from I-95 North and South for Exit 5A onto Victory Hwy (Route 102) southbound, and Exit 5B onto Victory Hwy (Route 102) northbound and determine appropriate advisory speed limits.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

WESTERLY ==> BEACH ST. R.I. 1A

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
8/20/2012	Continued	41203

Request from Westerly Police Department on behalf of the Captains Drive neighborhood to install a crosswalk on Beach Street (R.I. 1A) at Captains Drive.

Comment: Traffic counts will be conducted in Summer 2013.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	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	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

Old Business



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HOPKINTON ==> ARCADIA RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/6/2013	Action Taken	41256

Request from RIDOT on behalf of RIDEM to install a crosswalk on Arcadia Road at the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association to connect the public parking area located at 203 Arcadia Road to a path across the street that leads down to Wood River.

Comments:

Action Taken: Denied crosswalk. Approved to Install advanced pedestrian signs.

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

NARRAGANSETT ==> BRIDGETOWN RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
2/5/2013	Denied	41255

Request from the Town of Narragansett to reduce the speed limit on Bridgetown Road in Narragansett between the South Kingstown Town Line and Boston Neck Road (RI 1A) from 35 mph to 25 mph. The STC recently approved increasing the speed limit from 25 mph to 35 mph at their April 11, 2012 monthly meeting.

Comments: Will maintain the speed limit at 35 MPH. Speeds did not change when the speed limit was increased to 35 MPH.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Chief Edward Mello	Trooper Amanda Brezniak	Unanimous

NORTH KINGSTOWN ==> BOSTON NECK RD. R.I. 1A

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/18/2012	Denied	41222

Request from Chief Thomas Mulligan of the North Kingstown Police to install a traffic control signal or a flashing signal at the intersection with Hamilton Allenton Road/Salisbury Avenue.

Comments: Did not meet warrants for a traffic signal.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Chief Edward Mello	Trooper Amanda Brezniak	Unanimous



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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>
Chief Edward Mello	Trooper Amanda Brezniak	Unanimous

New Business

GLOCESTER ==> SNAKE HILL RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/28/2013	Approved	41272

Request from Police Chief DelPrete to establish a 25 mph school zone Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:00PM for the Fogarty Memorial Elementary School located at 736 Snake Hill Road.

Comments:

Action Taken: Will install a 25 MPH school zone sign from 8:30am to 4:00pm from 760 Snake Hill Road to Watmough Way.

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Chief Edward Mello	Trooper Amanda Brezniak	Unanimous

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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/25/2013	Study	41268

Request from the Town Administrator and Town Council to study the feasibility of replacing the existing traffic signal with a roundabout at the intersection of Providence Pike (Route 5) and Greenville Road (Route 104).

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous



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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/5/2013	Study	41275

Request from William Bombard, P.E., Acting Public Works Director and City Engineer, on behalf of Home and Hospice Care of RI to install a midblock crosswalk at 1085 North Main Street to accommodate employees of Home and Hospice Care of RI who park in a lot across the street from the facility.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Chief Edward Mello	Trooper Amanda Brezniak	Unanimous

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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/2/2013	Study	41274

Request from William Bombard, P.E., Acting Public Works Director and City Engineer, on behalf of a citizen to approve the existing crosswalk on Smith Street at Sharon Street and to install additional signing and/or striping improvements to increase the conspicuity of the crosswalk. Also consider the installation of a crosswalk on Smith Street at Jastram Street as part of this study.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

RICHMOND ==> INTERSTATE 95

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
4/2/2013	Approved	41273

Request from RIDOT on behalf of the Whispering Pines Campground to install a generic campground symbol sign on I-95 North and South prior to Exit 3B. Additional signs on Main Street (Route 138) at the intersection with Nooseneck Hill Rd (Route 3) in Richmond and on Nooseneck Hill Road (Routes 3/138) at Spring Street (Route 138) in Hopkinton are also requested to guide motorists to the campground facility from the highway exit.

Comments: Approved a generic camping sign.

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Chief Edward Mello	Trooper Amanda Brezniak	Unanimous



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SMITHFIELD ==> DOUGLAS PK. R.I. 7

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/27/2013	Study	41270

Request from the Town of Smithfield Traffic Safety Commission to install a left turn phase on Douglas Pike (Route 7) northbound at Whipple Road.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

SMITHFIELD ==> LIMEROCK RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/27/2013	Study	41269

Request from the Town of Smithfield Traffic Safety Commission to perform a study on Limerock Road from Karen Ann Drive to Orchard Meadows Drive to determine potential signing and/or striping improvements to enhance safety within the study limits.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous

SMITHFIELD ==> PLEASANT VIEW AVE. R.I. 5 / R.I. 116

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/27/2013	Study	41271

Request from the Town of Smithfield Traffic Safety Commission to rescind the previous decision (Item No 41056) to change the restriction from No Right Turn on Red at the intersection with Putnam Pike from all day to Monday through Friday from 7-9 AM and 3-6 PM.

Comments:

Action Taken:

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Chief Edward Mello	Unanimous



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The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, May 08, 2013 at 10:00 AM in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 11:05am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Steven Pristawa, PE
Secretary

Approved: _____

Mr. John DiTomasso
Chairperson

Mr. Bernie Frezza
Vice Chairperson