



# STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

## Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, June 12, 2013

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In attendance were:

Mr. John DiTomasso

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE

\*\*Mr. Bernie Frezza

Amanda Brezniak

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

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

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

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>
<b>**Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<b>Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE</b>	<b>Unanimous</b>

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#### MIDDLETOWN ==> WEST MAIN RD. R.I. 114 / R.I. 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
<b>2/19/2013</b>	<b>Continued</b>	<b>41261</b>

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

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### NARRAGANSETT ==> OCEAN RD.

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

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>
<b>**Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<b>Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE</b>	<b>Unanimous</b>

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

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

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>
<b>**Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<b>Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE</b>	<b>Unanimous</b>

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

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

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>
<b>**Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<b>Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE</b>	<b>Unanimous</b>

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

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

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>
<b>**Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<b>Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE</b>	<b>Unanimous</b>

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

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

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>
<b>**Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<b>Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE</b>	<b>Unanimous</b>

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

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

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>
<b>**Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<b>Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE</b>	<b>Unanimous</b>

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### SMITHFIELD ==> LIMEROCK RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
3/27/2013	Continued	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	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

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### 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	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

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### 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	Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	Unanimous

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## WESTERLY ==> WINNAPAUG RD

<i>Creation Date</i> 3/1/2011	<i>Disposition</i> Continued	<i>Item Number</i> 40941
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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> **Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE	<i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous
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## Old Business

### BURRILLVILLE ==> EAST AVE. R.I. 107

<i>Creation Date</i> 10/23/2012	<i>Disposition</i> Action Taken	<i>Item Number</i> 41238
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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:* Approved changing the yield sign on East Avenue to a stop sign and approved to put in "stop ahead" pavement markings on the northbound and westbound approach.

<i>Motion Made</i> **Mr. Bernie Frezza	<i>Motion 2nd</i> Amanda Brezniak	<i>Voting Results</i> Unanimous
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### COVENTRY ==> NOOSENECK HILL RD. R.I. 3

<i>Creation Date</i> 2/27/2013	<i>Disposition</i> Approved	<i>Item Number</i> 41264
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Request from the Town of Coventry to install a center turn lane on Nooseneck Hill Road between Reservoir Road and Harkney Hill Road.

*Comments:* Final configuration will be (4) 11' lanes, a 12' center turn lane and (2) 3-4' shoulders.

*Action Taken:*

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

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>12/3/2012</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Action Taken</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41245</b>
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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:* Approved 35 MPH from Smithfield Town Line to Sanderson Road, approved 40 MPH from Sanderson Road to Atwood Avenue, approved 35 MPH from Atwood Avenue to George Waterman Road and approved 30 MPH from George Waterman Road to Providence City Line. Also approved curve warning signs with 30 MPH advisory speed for the curve near Atwood Avenue and 25 MPH advisory speed for curve near Barnes Avenue.

<i>Motion Made</i> <b>Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE</b>	<i>Motion 2nd</i> <b>**Mr. Bernie Frezza</b>	<i>Voting Results</i> <b>Unanimous</b>
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## WEST WARWICK ==> LEGRIS AVE. R.I. 117

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>5/6/2013</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Denied</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41278</b>
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Request from West Warwick Safety Committee to install a No Right Turn on Red sign on Legris Avenue at the intersection with Main Street (Route 33).

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i> <b>Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE</b>	<i>Motion 2nd</i> <b>Amanda Brezniak</b>	<i>Voting Results</i> <b>Unanimous</b>
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### New Business

#### BURRILLVILLE ==>> BRONCO HWY. R.I. 102

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/24/2013	Approved	41282

Request from the Town of Burrillville to install signs on Route 102 north prior to the intersection with Central Street and on Route 102 south prior to the intersection with East Ave (Route 107) for the Harrisville Mill Village Historic District and the Assembly Theatre.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

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

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#### CRANSTON ==>> POWER ROAD

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/24/2013	Action Taken	41284

Request from RIDOT on behalf of DCYF to restrict parking on Power Road through the "S Curve" located just south of Chapel View Blvd.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* Approved to eliminate the parking on Power Road from Rossi Circle to Chapel View Blvd.

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

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#### CUMBERLAND ==>> WRENTHAM RD. R.I. 121

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
6/6/2013	Study	41285

Request from RIDOT to determine an appropriate speed limit on Wrentham Road from Diamond Hill Road to the Massachusetts State Line. The current posted limit does not match the existing STC records. Also consider establishing a school zone speed limit on Wrentham Road from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM for the Mercymount Country Day School located at 35 Wrentham Road.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

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

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### JAMESTOWN ==> BEAVERTAIL RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/15/2013	Study	41279

Request from RIDOT to review the three crosswalks on Beavertail Road adjacent to the resident parking area for Mackerel Cove Beach. Signing and striping improvements should be considered as well as the possibility of consolidating the crosswalks.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

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

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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/24/2013	Approved	41283

Request from the Town of Johnston to install a "road diet" on Atwood Avenue from 345 Cherry Hill Road to Greenville Avenue. Also consider the installation of a crosswalk from the Johnston High School located at 345 Cherry Hill Road to Memorial Avenue across the street.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* Approved to install a pedestrian crosswalk from the Johnston High School at 345 Cherry Hill Road to Memorial Avenue and install pedestrian crossing ahead signs and pavement markings. Also approved a road diet from Cherry Hill Road to Greenville Avenue.

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Amanda Brezniak	Unanimous

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### SCITUATE ==> WEST GREENVILLE RD. R.I. 116

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/15/2013	Study	41280

Request from RIDOT to review the three crosswalks and parking on the west side of West Greenville Road between the North Scituate Congregational Church and Silk Lane. The northern crosswalk adjacent to the Church currently has parking stalls directly up to the crossing. Consider consolidating the crosswalks and providing more parking stalls.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

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

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### WEST GREENWICH ==> INTERSTATE 95

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
5/24/2013	Approved	41281

Request from RIDOT to approve the existing yield signs at the bottom of all four (4) off-ramps from I-95 North and South to Exits 5A and 5B (Victory Hwy).

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Amanda Brezniak	**Mr. Bernie Frezza	Unanimous

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

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Steven Pristawa, PE  
Secretary

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. John DiTomasso  
Chairperson

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Mr. Bernie Frezza  
Vice Chairperson