



# STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

## Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, January 03, 2018

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In attendance were:

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE

Cpl. Wesley Pennington

Ms. Marcy Coleman

Ms. Nicole Pope

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE, Acting Chairperson declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:20 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**

#### **BARRINGTON ==> MIDDLE HWY.**

*Creation Date*  
**2/27/2017**

*Disposition*  
**Continued**

*Item Number*  
**41614**

Request from the Town of Barrington to provide a left turn lane on Middle Highway into the new driveway access to the proposed middle school. These improvements are proposed as part of a Physical Alteration Permit Application (PAPA).

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

*Motion Made*  
**Ms. Marcy Coleman**

*Motion 2nd*  
**Ms. Nicole Pope**

*Voting Results*  
**Unanimous**

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## BARRINGTON ==> MIDDLE HWY.

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>2/27/2017</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Continued</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41615</b>
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Request from the Town of Barrington to relocate the existing midblock crosswalk on Middle Highway to the south to coincide with the new driveway access to the proposed Middle School, as well as to install rapid rectangular flashing beacons (RRFBs) at the crosswalk. The crosswalk relocation is proposed as part of a Physical Alteration Permit Application (PAPA).

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i> <b>Ms. Marcy Coleman</b>	<i>Motion 2nd</i> <b>Ms. Nicole Pope</b>	<i>Voting Results</i> <b>Unanimous</b>
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## COVENTRY ==> MAIN ST. (WASHINGTON) R.I. 33 / R.I.117

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>3/29/2017</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Continued</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41621</b>
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Request from Representative Nardolillo for the installation of a crosswalk(s) on Main Street in the vicinity of the Coventry Community center located at 1277 Main Street in Coventry.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i> <b>Ms. Marcy Coleman</b>	<i>Motion 2nd</i> <b>Ms. Nicole Pope</b>	<i>Voting Results</i> <b>Unanimous</b>
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## CRANSTON ==> SCITUATE AVE. R.I. 12

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>10/27/2017</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Continued</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41680</b>
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Request from Senator Frank S. Lombardi to consider the feasibility of lowering the speed limit and/or implementing other traffic calming measures on Scituate Avenue between I-295 and Comstock Parkway.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i> <b>Ms. Nicole Pope</b>	<i>Motion 2nd</i> <b>Cpl. Wesley Pennington</b>	<i>Voting Results</i> <b>Unanimous</b>
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### EXETER ==> ARCADIA RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/22/2017	Continued	41691

Request from RIDOT to determine an appropriate speed limit for the entire stretch of Arcadia Road from Ten Rod Road (Route 165) to the Richmond Town Line.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Cpl. Wesley Pennington	Unanimous

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### FOSTER ==> DANIELSON PK. U.S. 6

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/28/2017	Continued	41673

Request from the Town of Foster to change the existing flashing signal on Danielson Pike at the intersection with Cucumber Hill Road to a fully operational traffic signal.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### GLOCESTER ==> SNAKE HILL RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/20/2017	Continued	41678

Request from Representative Winfield for a four-way stop control on Snake Hill Road at the intersection with Saw Mill Road.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Cpl. Wesley Pennington	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### HOPKINTON ==>> ARCADIA RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/22/2017	Continued	41690

Request from RIDOT to determine an appropriate speed limit for the entire stretch of Arcadia Road from the Richmond Town Line to Bridge Street.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Cpl. Wesley Pennington	Unanimous

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### HOPKINTON ==>> MAIN ST. R.I. 3

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/16/2017	Continued	41688

Request from Senator Morgan for the installation of a crosswalk on Main Street at the Hopkinton Recreation Department and Crandall Field Playground located at 188 Main Street.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### JAMESTOWN ==>> CONANICUS AVE.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/27/2017	Continued	41682

Request from Chief Mello on behalf of the Jamestown Local Traffic Committee to consider traffic calming measures between Route 138 and Bayview Drive.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### JAMESTOWN ==>> CONANICUS AVE.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/27/2017	Continued	41683

Request from Chief Mello on behalf of the Jamestown Local Traffic Committee for the installation of a crosswalk and in-road pedestrian signs at the intersection with Mount Hope Avenue.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
7/5/2017	Continued	41641

Request from Police Chief Thomas F. Lee for the installation of a traffic signal on East Main Road at the intersection with Linden Lane.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### PORTSMOUTH ==>> PARK AVE.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/16/2017	Continued	41675

Request from Senator Seveney for the installation of a crosswalk on Park Avenue at the intersection with Cedar Avenue.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### PROVIDENCE ==> NARRAGANSETT BLVD. R.I. 1A

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/8/2017	Continued	41685

Request from Representative Almeida to consider reducing the speed limit on Narragansett Blvd from Ernest Street to the Cranston City Line from 35 mph to 25 mph.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> KINGSTOWN RD. R.I. 108 / R.I. 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/17/2017	Continued	41677

Request from Police Chief Geaber to study the intersections with North Road and Columbia Street to determine if multi-way stop control is appropriate and/or if any signing or striping improvements are needed.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> MOORESFIELD RD. R.I. 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
9/27/2017	Continued	41672

Request from Police Chief Geaber to consider revising the lane configuration on Moorsefield Rd at the approach to the traffic signal at Tower Hill Road (Route 1) to allow through movements from the center lane. This lane is currently a left turn only lane.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### SOUTH KINGSTOWN ==> SUCCOTASH RD.

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/27/2017	Continued	41692

Request from RIDOT on behalf of a private citizen for the installation of a crosswalk on the southern side of Succotash Road Bridge No. 037301.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### TIVERTON ==> MAIN RD. R.I. 77 / R.I. 138

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
10/17/2017	Continued	41676

Request from Senator Felag to consider the feasibility of installing marked crosswalks at appropriate locations on Main Road between Warren Avenue and Garden Avenue.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### WESTERLY ==> HIGH ST. R.I. 3

<i>Creation Date</i>	<i>Disposition</i>	<i>Item Number</i>
11/29/2017	Continued	41693

Request from the Westerly Police Department for a protected only left turn phase on the High Street northbound approach to the signalized intersection with Ashaway Road.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i>	<i>Motion 2nd</i>	<i>Voting Results</i>
Ms. Marcy Coleman	Ms. Nicole Pope	Unanimous

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### Old Business



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**BARRINGTON ==>> COUNTY RD. R.I. 103 / R.I. 114**

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>4/20/2017</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Action Taken</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41626</b>
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Request from the Town of Barrington to determine if County Road can be reduced to one lane southbound at the signalized intersection with Rumstick Road.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:* The request for County Road be reduced to one lane southbound at the signalized intersection with Rumstick Road was denied. Steve Pristawa said the issue is that there are 2 lanes going through the traffic signal and approximately 100 feet after the signal the 2 lanes merge into 1 lane. This is done to increase capacity and reduce the length of backups on County Road. It was mentioned backups will get worse if the lanes are reduced. Steve also mentioned that speeds are low because this area is congested and that there have been only 3 crashes over a 3 year period in the merge area. It was approved to improve signage and striping in this area including lane drop arrows to show the merge from 2 lanes to 1 lane.

*Motion Made*  
**Ms. Marcy Coleman**

*Motion 2nd*  
**Ms. Nicole Pope**

*Voting Results*  
**Unanimous**

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**RICHMOND ==> SWITCH RD.**

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>7/5/2017</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Approved</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41645</b>
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Request from Senator Morgan for the installation of a crosswalk on Switch Road at Paddle Point Road (480 Switch Road). There is a new housing development at this location therefore a crosswalk is being requested to allow residents to cross Switch Road.w

*Comments:* Steve Pristawa said a new housing development south of Chariho High School on Switch Road was built over the summer of 2017. The 85th percentile speeds on Switch Road are 43 and 42 MPH and the average speeds are 39 and 38 MPH. There are no sidewalks on Switch Road for pedestrians to walk on. A study showed that 33 pedestrians crossed in this area all day. DOT reached out to Chariho High School to get their opinion as to where they would like to have the crosswalk installed. Chariho High School said they would like to see the crosswalk installed where pedestrians are crossing near Paddle Point Road where students cross and cut through a path in the woods to the school property. Also, they prefer students to walk along the same side of the street as the school. It was approved to install a crosswalk at the southern end of the school property near Paddle Point Road and also it was approved to extend the school zone to encompass the new crossing.

*Action Taken:*

*Motion Made*  
**Ms. Marcy Coleman**

*Motion 2nd*  
**Cpl. Wesley Pennington**

*Voting Results*  
**Unanimous**

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

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>7/31/2017</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Denied</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41654</b>
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Request from the Scituate Police Department on behalf of a private citizen for a 25 mph school zone on Hartford Pike within 300 feet of the property line for the Scituate Early Learning Center located at 686 Hartford Pike.

*Comments:* Steve Pristawa said the speed limit was recently reduced from 50 MPH to 45 MPH in this area. He also said there is a bus that drops off students for after school activities that parks along the shoulder in this area. Steve said because this is a private Day Care Center, a school zone is not appropriate. Corporal Wesley Pennington asked if any accidents or incidents took place in this area and Steve Pristawa said no, not in this area. Steve also said that RIDOT will continue to work with the Scituate Police Department to try to see if any other signing improvements are appropriate to slow speeds in this area and make motorists aware of the daycare.

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i> <b>Ms. Marcy Coleman</b>	<i>Motion 2nd</i> <b>Cpl. Wesley Pennington</b>	<i>Voting Results</i> <b>Unanimous</b>
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## New Business

## COVENTRY ==> MAIN ST. (WASHINGTON) R.I. 33 / R.I.117

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>12/28/2017</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Study</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41695</b>
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Request from RIDOT for a no right turn on red restriction on Station Street at the signalized intersection with Main Street.

*Comments:*

*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i> <b>Ms. Marcy Coleman</b>	<i>Motion 2nd</i> <b>Ms. Nicole Pope</b>	<i>Voting Results</i> <b>Unanimous</b>
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HOPKINTON ==> MAIN ST. R.I. 3

<i>Creation Date</i> <b>12/11/2017</b>	<i>Disposition</i> <b>Study</b>	<i>Item Number</i> <b>41694</b>
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Request from Representative Kennedy on behalf of a constituent to install a crosswalk at the Intersection of Main Street and Maxson Hill Road in Hopkinton.

*Comments:*  
*Action Taken:*

<i>Motion Made</i> <b>Ms. Marcy Coleman</b>	<i>Motion 2nd</i> <b>Ms. Nicole Pope</b>	<i>Voting Results</i> <b>Unanimous</b>
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The next meeting of the State Traffic Commission will be on Wednesday, February 07, 2018 at 10:00 am in Room 203 of the State House. This meeting was adjourned at 10:45am.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Steven Pristawa, PE  
Secretary

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

Mr. Robert Rocchio, PE, Acting Chairperson  
Chairperson

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Ms. Marcy Coleman, Acting  
Vice Chairperson