

A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Wednesday, January 9, 2008, 7:30 A.M., at the Jamestown Police Department Conference Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 A.M. by Chairman David A. Darlington.

Members Present:

David A. Darlington, Chairman
Stephen C. Waluk
William Chuck Alves

Members Absent:

Richard P. Eannarino
Arthur H. Fletcher

Invited Guests:

Buddy Croft, Executive Director
Christine H. Callahan, CFO/Controller
Peter M. Janaros, PE, Director of Engineering
Marianne Hillier, Director of Operations
Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance
Jeannine T. Bourassa, Executive Assistant
Bernard A. Jackvony, Legal Counsel
Representative Bruce Long
Meredith Holderbaum, Senate Fiscal Staff

Item No. 2

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by, William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2007 quarterly meeting.

Item No. 3

Motion by Wiliam Chuck Alves, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve:

Moses Afonso Jackvony – Legal Counsel
Services Rendered thru December 31, 2007
\$ 4,940.78

Item No. 4

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to ratify:

Coastal Electric Inc. – Newport/Pell Bridgel
Invoice 36774
\$ 18,912.60

Item No. 5

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to ratify:

PB Americas, Inc. – Newport/Pell Bridge
Structure 'E' Deck Replacement Study
Invoice 342071 562.23
2006-2007 In-Depth Inspection
Invoice 342091 11,571.15
Resetting of Rocker Bearings
Invoice 342086 2,419.32
Total 14,552.70

Item No. 6

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to ratify:

Parsons Transportation Group, Inc. – Mt. Hope Bridge Construction Support Tower Rehabilitation Invoice 7090302	9,519.84
Other Engineering Services Invoice 07101347	<u>3,680.99</u>
Total	<u>13,200.83</u>

Representative Bruce Long, District 74, requested the installation of “No Jaking” signs on Route 138 eastbound as large trucks approach the toll plaza for the Pell Bridge due to the excessive noise in the area. William Chuck Alves, reported that after consulting with the RI Division of Motor Vehicles, that the only truck restrictions signs in the state are those related to weight limits and with travel lanes on freeways. The current state law does not contemplate fines for the use of engine brakes. This would make the request impossible to enforce.

Peter M. Janaros, P.E., Director of Engineering thanked the Board for their support of Renewal and Replacement projects over the past six years. He also recognized the good work of the Consulting Engineering and Maintenance Staff. He also reported:

Newport/Pell Bridge

- All Call Boxes were removed as authorized by the Board
- HVAC for toll booths is waiting on equipment delivery
- Waterline installation is waiting for permits from CRMC / DOT
- Concrete Deck evaluation by PB Americas will be accomplished this month
- Design of On-Call Maintenance Contract will be ready for Bid this spring
- Fracture Critical Inspection Report will be received next month
- Ongoing Studies - Median Barrier / Pavements / Structure “E”

Mt. Hope Bridge

- Annual Inspection is complete with report due in two months
- Design underway for Concrete Tower Base Rehab
- 05-11 – Cianbro finishing up Tower Painting and Rehab this spring

No Executive Session was needed.

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, Seconded by William Chuck Alves, passed unanimously to Adjourn the meeting at 8:10 A.M.

Buddy Croft
Secretary