A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Wednesday September 9, 2009, 8:30 A.M., at the Jamestown Philomenian Library, 26 North Road in Jamestown, R.I.

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 A.M. by Chairman David A. Darlington.

# **Members Present:**

David A. Darlington, Chairman

Richard P. Eannarino, Vice Chairman

Stephen C. Waluk

Arthur H. Fletcher

William "Chuck" Alves

## **Invited Guests:**

Buddy Croft, Executive Director

Christine H. Callahan, CFO/Controller

Marianne Hillier, Director of Operations

Peter M. Janaros, P.E., Director of Engineering

Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance

JoAnn Head, Executive Assistant

Bernard A. Jackvony, Legal Counsel

Meredith Pickering, Fiscal Advisor

Stephen Clarke, RITBA Union Steward

Item No. 2

Motion by

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2009 and August 12, 2009 meetings.

Item No. 3

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by, Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to

approve: Pannone, Lopes & Devereaux & West LLC

Professional Services for August 2009 \$ 11,255.53

Item No. 4

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to

approve: Adler Pollock & Sheehan P.C.

Professional Services for August 2009

\$ 4,016.25

Item No. 5

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve Parsons Transportation Group Proposal for Design of "On Call" Maintenance Contract 09-7 at the Mt. Hope Bridge Not-to-Exceed \$170,000. Stephen C. Waluk noted that all moneys come from the Newport/Pell Bridge revenues.

Item No. 6

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, was made to approve Audited Draft Financial Statement numbers subject to the Auditor General's making any minor adjustments.

### Item No 6 (con't)

Motion by William "Chuck" Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher passed unanimously to amend the main motion and authorize the Executive Director to do whatever is necessary to implement the corrective action plan recommended by the auditors.

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, to amend his motion, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher and the amended motion passed unanimously.

## Item No. 7

Motion by William "Chuck" Alves, seconded by, Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve the token exchange deadline of December 30, 2009 and authorized the Executive Director to immediately begin notifying the public.

## Item No. 8

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by William "Chuck" Alves, passed unanimously to approve the replacement of the existing 2-strip fiber optic treadles in all 10 lanes in the amount of \$187, 725.83.

#### Item No. 9

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve RITBA's new Unpaid Toll Procedure. The first occurrence will be \$4.00, the second occurrence is \$12.00 and third or more occurrences will be \$20.00.

## Item No. 10

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to authorize the Executive Director to issue a Request for Qualifications to hire a consultant to complete a feasibility study by December 1, 2009 in an amount not-to-exceed \$50,000.

#### Item No. 11

Motion by William "Chuck" Alves, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve the changes to the Authority's "Commuter Plan" from a 30-day period paying \$2 per trip upfront, and being credited back the discount once they have made their 31<sup>st</sup> trip over the Bridge to be lowered to 26 trips in a 30-day period.

#### Item No. 12

Chairman's Report – David A. Darlington

- Noted that the staff worked very hard to implement the new toll increase and that all went smoothly.
- Thanked the maintenance lawn crew for a job well done on Rt. 138 east and west sides of the bridge.

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Item No. 13 Executive Director's Report – Buddy Croft Omitted

Item No. 14 CFO/Controller's Report – Christine H. Callahan

Item No. 15 Engineer's Report – Peter M. Janaros, P.E.

Item No. 16

Motion by William "Chuck" Alves, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to go into Executive Session pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5 (a) (1) Personnel Matters, Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5(a) (2) Potential Litigation, Litigation, Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5(a) (3) Security Matters at 10:29 A.M.

Motion by William "Chuck" Alves, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to come out of Executive Session and seal the minutes at 11:33 A.M.

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 111:34.

Buddy Croft Secretary