

A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Wednesday, September 8, 2010 at 8:30 A.M. at the Jamestown Police Department Conference Room, 250 Conanicus Avenue in Jamestown.

The meeting was called to order at 8:55 A.M. by Chairman David A. Darlington.

Members Present:

David A. Darlington, Chairman
Richard P. Eannarino, Vice Chairman
Arthur H. Fletcher

Members Absent:

Stephen C. Waluk
Michael P. Lewis, Director DOT

Invited Guests:

Buddy Croft, Executive Director
Christine H. Callahan, CFO/Controller
Marianne Hillier, Director of Operations
Peter M. Janaros, Director of Engineering
Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance
JoAnn Head, Executive Assistant
Robert S. Knychalski, Legal Counsel

Item No. 2

No public comments were made.

Item No. 3

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2010 meeting.

Item No. 4

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, second by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve:

Adler Pollock & Sheehan
Professional Services for the Month of July 2010
\$ 1,957.50

Item No. 5

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve:

Nixon Peabody LLP
Professional Services for the Month of July 2010
\$ 500.00

Item No. 6

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, second by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve:

Pannone, Lopes & Devereaux
Professional Services for the Months of July & August 2010
\$ 19,636.21

Item No. 7

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve RITBA Draft Audited Financial Statements for year ended June 30, 2010.

Stephen W. Geremia, CPA, Lefkowitz, Garfinkel, Champi & DeRienzo reported to the board that the audit was completed satisfactorily and all reports were prepared in a timely manner. LGC&D were waiting for an agreed upon procedures and legal letter, in order to finalize the audit.

Item No.8

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve Parsons recommendation that Contract 09-7 Mount Hope Bridge On-Call Maintenance be awarded to Aetna Bridge in an amount not-to-exceed \$4,554,020.

Item No. 9

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously not to approve Parsons Request for Renewal on Contract 07-4A Mount Hope Bridge On-Call Engineering Services.

Chairman David A. Darlington asked what the procedure was in selecting engineering services. Peter M. Janaros reported that it was a quality based selection. Richard P. Eannarino suggested that a calendar for contract renewals be set up a few months before the selection process. The Board decided to go out to bid on Mount Hope Bridge On-Call Engineering Services.

Item No. 10

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, second by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve Modjeski and Masters Request for Renewal on Contract 07-B Mount Hope Bridge On-Call Engineering Inspection Services in an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000 per inspection.

Item No. 11

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to table the approval of Newport/Pell Bridge Engineering Services Contract 10-7 until the October Board meeting.

Item No. 12

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to table the approval of RITBA Environmental Land Use Agreement and an Indemnification Agreement between the Authority and the Town of Jamestown until all information is completed on the document.

Item No. 13

The Board tabled The Wind Turbine Grant Award.

David A. Darlington and Richard P. Eannarino requested the Board set up a meeting with the Town of Jamestown and take an active stance regarding placing a wind turbine near the Newport/Pell Bridge. The Board will recommend a traffic and safety study be performed.

Item No. 14

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve an “Un-mounted Transponder Fee” in the amount of \$2.00 per axle beginning September 22, 2010, for having to assist motorists that have improperly mounted E-ZPass transponders.

Item No. 15

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve the replacement of the Authority’s 2005 Chevy Malibu in an amount not-to-exceed \$20,000. This vehicle has 92,000 miles and repairs totaling \$1,800 with a NADA Book Value of \$4,100.

Item No. 16

Chairman’s Report - Passed

Item No. 17

Executive Director’s Report – Buddy Croft

8/4	Aquidneck Island Planning Commission	8/24	At PLD&W
8/5	Park Row	8/25	Mtg. Re: Surplus Equipment
8/5	Paul Muzzey Conference Call	8/26	IBTTA Conference Call
8/5	Meridian	8/26	Caseta Conference Call
8/6	Mtg. @ DOT – Review On Call & Annual Inspection Bids -Newport/Pell	8/30	Dave Kellogg
8/10	Conference Call w/Jacobs	8/30	Mtg. @ DOT
8/11	Senior Staff	9/1	Engineering Services & Annual Inspection – Newport/Pell
8/11	Caseta Conference Call	9/2	Staff Mtg. Re: Hurricane
8/11	Mtg. @ RDW	9/3	Staff Mtg. Re: Hurricane
8/12	IAG – Executive Committee Mtg. – NJ	9/7	IBTTA Conference Call
8/24	Senior Staff	9/7	Senior Staff

Item No. 18

Finance Report – Christine Callahan

1. Traffic and Revenue
 - a. Traffic and Revenue - July 2010
2. Operating and Maintenance Expenses Month-ended and Year-to-Date July, 2010
3. Daily Cash and Investment Summary
 - a. As of Thursday, August 2, 2010

Item No. 19

Engineering Report – Peter M. Janaros, P.E.

Newport/Pell Bridge

- DOT sweeping both bridges – Thanks
- Ten Year Plan Implementation - Ongoing
- 09-1 Steel Repairs / Painting – Original Bids opened Feb. 22, 2010 – Per direction of Board Re-Bid April 20, 2010 – Awarded May 17, 2010 – Mobilization Underway
- 08-4 Deck Repairs / Seal Replacements: \$115,000 added to budget, work ongoing

- Bridge Roughness Micro Grinding Coordination with RIDOT to profile bridge deck & evaluate benefits v. costs – Cost benefit analysis from RIDOT pending
- Inspection: FCM Inspection in Spring by PB – Report received
- ELUR – ready to close out with DEM – Town finalization pending
- First Responder Training w/ Newport Fire Department planned for this Fall
- Ramp Project: Awaiting Newport's endorsement
- RFP selection Newport engineer of record and inspections – Selection committee recommendation in October
- Studies status – Median Barrier, complete, ready for design / wind study ongoing – West approach pavement ready for design - Deck evaluation; ongoing
- Administration Bldg. A/E services – Schematic Phase and Scope of work development ongoing
Mt. Hope Bridge
- Ten Year Plan implementation
- 08-1 Tower Pier Rehab: Project Closeout: Extra cost notification by Contractor denied
- 10-11 Design of North approach Steel Repairs & Painting ongoing
- Pending Inspection Proposal by Modjeski & Masters for FCM / In-Depth Inspection this Fall
- Award to Aetna Bridge 09-7 On Call Maintenance Contract: work this Fall on Deck / Steel Repairs

Item No. 20

Operations Report – Marianne Hillier

- Tack in Toll Plaza
- Reflective Paint Lines for Motorcycles

Abhe & Svoboda, Inc. Project Manager Gerry Burbank and Mr. Gail Svoboda, President reported to the Board on Contract No. 09-1A – Steel Repairs and Protective Coating Suspended Spans for the East Passage Crossing of Narragansett Bay – Newport/Pell Bridge and the different phases it will be taking on the project.

Item No. 21

Motions by Arthur H. Fletcher, 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, and Litigation, Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5(a) (3) Security Matters at 11:07 A.M.

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to come out of Executive session at 12:00 P.M. and seal the minutes.

Motion by Arthur H. Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:01 P.M.

Buddy Croft
Secretary