

A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Wednesday, August 3, 2011 at 8:30 A.M. at the Jamestown Philomenian Library.

The meeting was called to order at 8:41 A.M. by Chairman David A. Darlington.

Members Present:

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

Members Absent

Michael P. Lewis, Director DOT

Invited Guests:

Buddy Croft, Executive Director
Nancy E. Parrillo, CFO
Peter M. Janaros, Director of Engineering
Kathryn O'Connor, EZ-Pass Supervisor
JoAnn Head, Executive Assistant
Brian Lamoureux, Legal Counsel

Item No. 2

No public comments were made.

Item No. 3

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of July 13, 2011 meeting.

Item No. 4

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

Adler Pollock & Sheehan
Professional Services for the month of June 2011
\$ 16,705.69

Item No. 5

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

Pannone, Lopes & Devereaux & West
Professional Services for the month of July 2011
\$ 6,736.50

The Chairman moved Item No. 11 RIPEC Study Report to follow Item No. 5

Item No. 11

At the Authority's request, after meeting with the Executive Director, staff and consultants, John C. Simmons, Executive Director of the Rhode Island Public Expenditure Council, presented to the Board management and financial analysis of the Authority's operation and financial structure.

David A. Darlington expressed although further study in area's was needed this report was a tool for the RITBA to use.

Item No. 6

Motion by Richard P. Eannarino, seconded by Stephen C. Waluk, passed unanimously to approve Coastal Electric Maintenance & Service Extension first one year renewal option under the same conditions and at the same rates that are now in effect.

David A. Darlington asked why it was not brought up sooner for renewal. Richard P. Eannarino asked what the Newport/Pell Bridge expenditures were this year.

Item No. 7

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve WSP-SELLS Proposal for the 2011 Fracture Critical Member Inspection of the Approach Spans of the Newport/Pell Bridge in the amount not-to-exceed \$404,000.

Item No. 8

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to approve and award COSCO Inc. for repair of guardrail damage as several locations on the Newport/Pell Bridge in the amount of \$20,745 in which \$13,900 will be reimbursed from the insurance company.

Item No. 9

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve the adoption of amended RITBA Rules and Regulations regarding Governing the Non-Payment of Tolls.

Item No. 10

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to approve and award Starkweather & Shepley RITBA Non-Bridge Insurance in the amount of \$171,391.

Item No. 11

Chairman's Report – None at this time

Item No. 12

Executive Directors Report

7/13 - Mtg. w/Burgin

7/13 - UPT Meeting

7/13 - Paul Muzzey

7/15 - Conference call w/ACS

7/18 & 7/19 - IBTTA – Baltimore

7/20 - Mtg. w/Parsons

7/20 - Conference call Re: UPT

7/21 - Senior Staff

7/22 - IAG Conference call

7/22 - Mtg. @ PLD&W

7/23 - Save The Bay Swim

7/25 - Conference call w/ APS &
Park Row

7/26 - UPT Mtg.

7/26 - Senior Staff

7/26 - RDW

7/27 - Mtg. w/APS & Park Row

7/28 - Burman & Burgin

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7/28 - Mtg. w/Parsons

8/1 - PLD&W

8/1 - Jacobs

8/2 - Senior Staff

8/2 - Conference call w/Telvent & Jacobs

8/2 - Conference call w/Jacobs

Upcoming RFP's

- Legal Representation
- Human Resources

Item No. 14

Finance Report

- June 2011 MTD / YTD Financial Report
- Traffic and Revenues Report

Item No. 15

Engineering Report

- Ten Year Plan Implementation - 2011 Plan approved by Board July 13, 2011
- 09-1 Steel Repairs / Painting - Original Bids opened Feb. 22, 2010 - Per direction of Board Re-Bid April 20, 2010- Awarded May 17, 2010 - Abrasive Blasting and painting - ongoing (14 of 75 units complete) . ASI recovery schedule shows on-time completion
- 08-4 Deck Repairs, Rideability Improvements / Seal Replacements by Aetna. Start in late summer
- Inspection Proposal by WSP – Sells this month
- ELUR - ready to close out with DEM – ATC finalizing
- First Responder Training w/ Newport Fire Department complete
- Ramp Project: RIDOT received city endorsement and will proceed
- Studies status - Median Barrier Wind study ongoing; some structural limitation needs to be studied further for high winds. - Testing in Wind Tunnel complete. Median helps to stabilize structure: Report due this summer
- West approach pavement; ready for design - Deck evaluation; ongoing
- Administration Bldg. AIE services – Approved for award July 13, 2011. Work on-going

Mt. Hope Bridge

- Ten Year Plan implementation - Ongoing - Plan approved by Board July 13, 2011
- 08-1 Tower Pier Rehab: Project Closeout: Extra cost notification by Contractor denied
- 10-11 Design of North approach Steel Repairs & Painting ongoing – Bid this October
- Modjeski & Masters Proposal for Annual Inspection approved July 13, 2011
- Intersection / Drainage upgrade by DOT at Portsmouth end of bridge
- Aetna Bridge 09-7 On Call Maintenance Contract: - Work this year on Deck / Steel Repairs ongoing
- Ammann & Whitney Contract: Transfer of Engineer of record duties ongoing thru August

Item No. 16
Operations Report

- 61 un-mounted tags in June
- 165 un-mounted tags in July
- 1755 E-ZPass customers in lanes with cash

Item No. 17
Executive Session

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Arthur H. Fletcher, passed unanimously to go into Executive Session Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5 (a) (2), Potential Litigation, Litigation, Collective Bargaining – Labor Contract, Pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-5(a) (3), Security Matters at 10:20 A.M.

Motion by Arthur Fletcher, seconded by Richard P. Eannarino, passed unanimously to come out of Executive Session and seal the minutes and adjourned the meeting at 12:00 P.M. All Board members voted aye.

Buddy Croft
Secretary