

An annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority ("Authority") was held at the Authority's office in Jamestown on Wednesday, May 2, 2018.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 A.M. by Chairman Stephen C. Waluk

Members Present:

Stephen C. Waluk, Chairman
Richard S. Humphrey, Esq., Vice Chairman
Peter Alviti, Jr. P.E., Ex Officio
Darrell Waldron
Judith M. Morse

Invited Guests:

Buddy Croft, Executive Director
Eric Offenberg, Director of Engineering
Maggie Baker, CFO
Kathryn O'Connor, Director of Electronic Tolling
Joseph Levesque, Principal Engineer
Paul Sikorskyj, Manager of Safety and Security
Bill O'Gara, Legal Counsel

Item No. 2

Public Comments: Sharon Streif, 10 year resident of Jamestown expressed concern about the safety of motorcyclists at the toll plaza as their transponders are being read. She finds it stressful and dangerous when her transponder does not immediately read at the gated lanes. Would like to see changes for motorcyclists, suggested installing readers at waist height or letting motorcyclists go free (noting that motorcycles weigh less than passenger vehicles, cause less damage to the environment and need less space for parking). Buddy Croft responded that our bond covenants require everyone to pay. He indicated we will look into this situation further and be back in touch with her to provide alternative solutions. There are ways to mount the transponder to a motorcycle so the rider is not taking it out of a pocket and holding it to be read.

Item No. 3

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Darrell Waldron, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2018 board meeting.

Item No. 4

Annual Election of Officers: Motion by Richard S. Humphrey, seconded by Judith M. Morse, passed unanimously to appoint Stephen C. Waluk as Chairman. Motion by Darrell Waldron, seconded by Judith M. Morse, passed unanimously to appoint Richard S. Humphrey as Vice Chairman. Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Richard S. Humphrey, passed unanimously to appoint Buddy Croft as Secretary. Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Judith M. Morse, passed unanimously to appoint Maggie Baker as Treasurer.

Item No. 5

Motion by Darrell Waldron, seconded by Judith M. Morse, passed unanimously to approve:

Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O'Gara LLC
Professional Services for the month of March, 2018 \$14,624.24

Item No. 6

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Darrell Waldron, passed unanimously to approve:

Adler Pollock & Sheehan P.C

Professional Services for the month of March, 2018

\$5,142.50

Item No. 7

Motion by Judith M. Morse, seconded by Darrell Waldron, passed unanimously to ratify

Construction/Engineering invoices in the amount of:

\$1,956,250.68

Item No. 8

Mount Hope Bridge – Virtual Reality Presentation

Steere Engineering, a RI company, subconsultant to WSP gave a virtual tour presentation of the 3D model they created of the Mount Hope Bridge. Through the 3D model our engineers and maintenance staff can see every part of the bridge and track where all repairs need to be made as noted in annual inspection reports. This will be an invaluable tool as workers will now be able to visualize and plan activities before they go up on the bridge.

Executive Director's Report:

- Next Board Meeting - Originally scheduled for June 13 has been changed to June 12, 2018
- Volvo Ocean Race – May 8-20, 2018 – The event will be here soon and a lot of work has gone into preparing the race village.
- 50th Anniversary of Newport Pell Bridge – 6/28/19 – We plan to announce the kick off of the 50th Anniversary celebration one year in advance, 6/28/18.

Motion by Peter Alviti, Jr., seconded by Darrell Waldron, passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 AM.

Buddy Croft
Secretary