

Minutes by Board Secretary John G. Donnelly of actions taken at the Open Session of the Regular Meeting of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) Board held at Floor 8E, Motor Vehicle Commission Headquarters, 225 East State Street, Trenton, New Jersey on Thursday, April 10, 2014.

Present:

Raymond P. Martinez, Chairman
Stephen S. Scaturro, Vice-Chairman
Laurette K. Asante, Public Board Member (by speakerphone)
Scott Kisch, Public Board Member (by speakerphone)
Walter Orcutt, Public Board Member (by speakerphone)
Miriam Weeks, Transportation Commissioner Designee (by speakerphone)
Gary Poedubicky, Attorney General Designee
James Fruscione, State Treasurer Designee (by speakerphone)

Governor's Authorities Unit Assistant Counsel Peter Simon and Deputy Attorney General Vittoria DiProspero attended.

Chairman Raymond P. Martinez convened the Open Session at 2:05 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Approval. Vice-Chairman Scaturro moved to accept the proposed agenda, after Chairman Martinez noted that he has added a Presentation to Dr. Alan P. Braun, Board Member Asante seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman then presented this report of key Commission activities since the March 11, 2014 Board Meeting:

Responsible Vehicle Ownership Campaign

Although it certainly took it's time getting here, spring has finally come to New Jersey. Just yesterday I had the pleasure of joining our state partners and our MVC Safety Specialists for a Spring Car Care Fair in Columbus. Our goal was to bring attention to the importance of regular vehicle maintenance by offering safety checks to the 2,200 families that reside in (3) three different active adult communities in the area. It was a great event that saw a number of New Jersey residents getting a lot of good information and advice, while enjoying pretzels, music, and more. I'd like to thank Tom Bednarz and his crews of trained, patient and respectful inspectors for their assistance in helping everyone who showed up to have their cars checked. Displayed in the meeting room today are some pictures from the event. The timing of our events is never by chance and yesterday's was no exception. We are right about mid-stream now with our 'Be A Responsible Vehicle Owner' media campaign. We have placed advertisements on the backs of NJ Transit buses, at train stations, and even on television reminding people that being a responsible

vehicle owner and getting regular maintenance and emissions checks is not only green for the environment, but it puts green back in your wallet as well. The campaign officially ends on May 11. I would like to thank our MVC staff and our partners, Parsons, for their assistance with this effort. The Car Care Commercial video was played for the audience in the meeting room today.

Organ Donation

And in the spirit of responsibility, April is recognized as National Donate Life Month. This week I had the pleasure of joining the good people at the Sharing Network and the Gift of Life to kickoff visits to each of the Motor Vehicle Commission's 39 agencies. And it is especially important to recognize the role of MVC staff role, without whom many fewer organ donors would be identified. We want to emphasize how much of an impact answering that one question while renewing your driver's license can have on an individual in need and on their loved ones. Those two little words – Organ Donor – in the bottom corner of your license aren't merely a formality – they are a life-saver. And while I will be making these visits all month long, next week I'll be making one extra special stop with the Lieutenant Governor at the headquarters of the Sharing Network to recognize all the hard work their employees do all year long, year after year.

Motorcycle Safety

Continuing in our mission of saving lives, in May we'll be recognizing motorcycle safety. Our state has nearly 150,000 registered motorcycles on the road. We have more than 330,000 motorcycle license or endorsement holders. Last month, the Administration announced record-breaking tourism numbers for 2013 and we want to do our part to help make this year's numbers even stronger. Last year, the MVC partnered with our friends at the Division of Travel and Tourism to produce a television commercial to remind the public to share the road with motorcycles. We will once again be airing these spots as well as placing posters and signage throughout the state spreading this important message. We will also be hosting an informative demonstration alongside the Monmouth County Sheriff's Office at the Jersey Shore outlets to engage the public's awareness as more motorcyclists are taking to the road. And one of those riders is our own Board Member, Steve Scatturo – who I know is very much looking forward to getting back out on his Harley this spring and summer.

Thanks To The Board

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank Steve, and all of the MVC Board Members. They have worked diligently to serve the needs of the public and reinforce the laws of this state. It isn't always an easy job, but I'd like to acknowledge their hard work and commitment to the people's work.

The Board Meeting then proceeded to the following Presentation.

Presentation: **Alan P. Braun, M.D.** Chairman Martinez presented Dr. Braun with a letter, a certificate and a "Thanks" plate to recognize and thank him for his 40 years of service to the MVC Medical Advisory Panel, and to wish him the very best in retirement. During his term of service he shared his expertise in the field of Endocrinology and thereby helped ensure improved traffic safety in our State and added to public confidence in MVC operations. Dr. Braun expressed his appreciation for 40 great years.

The following Agenda Items were presented for approval:

Minutes: March 11, 2013. This item is to fulfill the requirements of The Motor Vehicle Security and Customer Service Act and of the Bylaws to approve the Minutes of each MVC Board Meeting, by approving the Minutes of the MVC Board Meeting of March 11, 2014.

Board Member Orcutt moved the resolution, Director Poedubicky seconded it and it was unanimously adopted.

1404-01: Insulin Dependence Regulation. This action is to meet the statutory requirement of The Motor Vehicle Security and Customer Service Act to promulgate regulations for the proper functioning of the Commission, including these proposed amendments of the regulations concerning recently enacted legislation that permits a holder of a driver license or nondriver identification card to voluntarily request that a notation be placed on his or her driver license or nondriver identification card indicating that he or she is an insulin dependent diabetic. Sarah Miller of the Office of Regulatory and Legislative Affairs presented the regulation.

Vice-Chairman Scaturro moved the resolution, Director Fruscione seconded it and it was unanimously adopted.

1404-02: IRP Regulation. This action is to meet the statutory provision of the Motor Vehicle Security and Customer Service Act to promulgate regulations for the proper functioning of the Commission, including these proposed amendments of the regulations concerning the International Registration Plan (IRP) by which member jurisdictions track highway trips by commercial vehicles through New Jersey and other member States. Jack Donnelly, Board Secretary, presented the proposed regulation.

Director Weeks moved the resolution, Board Member Asante seconded it and it was unanimously adopted.

1404-03: IFTA Regulation. This action is to meet the statutory provision of the Motor Vehicle Security and Customer Service Act to promulgate regulations for the proper functioning of the Commission, including these proposed amendments of the regulations concerning the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) by which member jurisdictions track commercial vehicle trips particularly as to motor fuel use.

Board Member Kisch moved the resolution, Director Weeks seconded it and it was unanimously adopted.

Legislative Report. A summary of legislative activity since the March 2014 Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) Board Meeting was provided by Legislative Liaison Donald Dinsmore. The only activity this month concerns new developments on enacted legislation. The MVC has implementation responsibilities, as follows:

Implementation Update:

Indication of veteran status on driver licenses and identification cards issued by MVC- (P.L. 2013, c. 165): Implementation meetings are ongoing. Gina Sine is the project manager for this initiative. Executive Staff was presented with a power point which outlined decisions that are needed to move the project forward.

Persons with diabetes to voluntarily make notation on driver license- (P.L. 2013, c.139): Implementation meetings are ongoing. Gina Sine is the project manager for this initiative. The following are the final tasks that need to be accomplished for implementation: system enhancements to the ID card and driver license, and some communications activities.

Increases fine and imposes license suspension for talking or texting on hand-held device while driving - (P.L. 2013, c.70): An implementation checklist has been returned. An Executive Sponsor has been assigned and it is anticipated that a project manager will be assigned to oversee implementation.

Additional autobus owner and operator responsibilities - (P.L. 2013, c.224): An implementation checklist has been prepared and distributed internally for comment.

Amends "Administrative Procedure Act" to require State agencies to use various electronic technologies in rule-making procedures – (P.L. 2013, c.259): The project manager, Ira Kupersmit, has been assigned, and it is anticipated that implementation meetings will start soon. An implementation checklist was prepared and distributed internally for comment.

Chairman Martinez noted that the Commission always appreciates the opportunity to assist the New Jersey State Legislature on legislation pertinent to the Commission, and especially on matters as important as the veterans status and diabetes notation bills.

Chairman Martinez thanked Donald for the presentation.

Public Comments:

No members of the public sought to make a public comment.

Chairman Martinez then noted that there was no further business before the Board, and thanked the Board Members and staff for their continuing service.

Adjournment:

Since there were no further comments or business, a motion to adjourn was made by Board Member Orcutt and seconded by Director Weeks and unanimously adopted at 2:45 p.m.