

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Meeting commenced at 1:25 p.m., Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Present at Meeting: Chief Melanson, Lt. Buckley, Sgt. Raines, Matt Blume, Bill Warner, Scott Zenke & Jim Platosh

I. Old Business:

1. **0515-03 – Requesting to Turn High Street into a Cul-de-Sac or Place Speed Bumps** - (Jackie Pisani, Chris Harrison & other neighbors) – Numerous residents that oppose any changes to High Street attended this meeting to express their concerns of what the changes to High Street would do to the other streets in the area. Discussion took place about process, transparency and resident notification. The great majority in attendance were against any changes to High Street. The Chief explained that the TRB was in the process of data collection. Matt Blume mentioned that the traffic counts will start this Thursday and that a thorough analysis of the collected data will be completed in the following weeks. Chief Melanson stated that no changes would occur until he was able to evaluate the projected impacts. People in attendance mentioned that there is poor compliance of the temporary 3-Way stop sign which was erected on High Street and Mountain Road. Another resident complained it blocked his driveway. There was a point brought up by one of the residents in attendance that maybe this whole issue should be turned over to the Historic Society and the TPZ and they can hold public meetings which would notify everyone, along with the High Street residents. Chief Melanson said he will speak with the Town Manager on how to proceed after the TRB has had a chance to evaluate the traffic data. A list of e-mails were taken of those in attendance to be included in the group notification of the minutes and future meetings.

2. **0515-05 – Request All-Way Stop Control at River Road Intersection at Longridge Court/Brightwood Road** – (Matt Blume) – Chief Melanson reported due to summer schedules he was prohibited from visiting the site and will make recommendations after he meets with Russ Arnold. This Item Tabled.

3. **0615-01 – Re-Opened – Request a Speed Limit Sign on Junior Road and Place Speed Trailer** – (Crystal LaPoint) – Matt Blume conducted a traffic count and reported there was very little traffic and Scott Zenke reported that the speed limit sign has been erected. Item Closed.

II. New Business:

1. **0815-01 – Request a “No Outlet” Sign for Carrington Lane, East of Hart Street (Alexis Surovov)**. It was reported that Carrington Lane is a Private Roadway so residents would be responsible and can erect a “No Outlet” sign for this road. Item Closed.
2. **0915-01 – Request a Sign at Crosswalk on Lovely Street/Sylvan Avenue for Drivers to Stop for Pedestrians – (Kerry Laberge)** – It was reported that this is a state road so the DOT is responsible to replace the signs for drivers to stop for pedestrians and properly sign the crosswalk along with replacing all yield for pedestrian signs. Committee recommends that Matt Blume send a request letter to the DOT. Item Closed.
3. **0915-02 – Request Left Turn Arrow on Rte. 177 at Rte. 4 – (Sue Ingvertsen)** – Matt Blume reported that this was previously denied by the DOT. Item Closed.
4. **0915-03 – Speeding on Mountain Spring Road Near Buses and Children – (Varshali Desai)** – Matt Blume reported that the posted speed is 30 mph for this road and the traffic data revealed that the 80th percentile was 36 mph. It was recommended by the Committee to increase police enforcement on Mountain Spring Road. Item Closed.
5. **0715-02 – Request to Enforce the Parking Code on Corporate Avenue – (Krzysztof Korycinski)** – Bruce Cyr has been in contact with the company causing the parking issue and they said they have a plan in place and the issue should be resolved soon. Item Closed.

III. Issues:

1. Installation of Sharrows Routes – Matt Blume mentioned that the bike committee would like to see Sharrows on Coppermine Road. It was recommended that the Highway Department erect bicycle signs and place sharrows on this road where feasible.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. The next TRB meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room .**

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Golas, Confidential Secretary