

**TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Wednesday, May 15, 2019**

Meeting commenced at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday May 15, 2019.

Present at Meeting: Chief Paul Melanson, Sgt. Vincent, Kat Krajewski, Jim Platosh, Scott Zenke, Matt Walsh and Amber Rush (with guest Josh Abraham discussing 0519-01).

**A. Old Business:**

**1218-02** Revisit Bike Route/Signs and Sharrows Project

Signs are posted. Sharrows not completed yet due to rainy weather. **Goal is to complete before end of June along River Rd and Burlington Rd.** Judson Rd is going to be torn up so will have to wait on putting sharrows there.

Item Closed, pending sharrows being painted by end of June.

**1218-03** Cope Farms/Morea safety issue for school-age children.

We heard back from state. It would require major intersection re-working in order to allow for turning Right on red, However, found out that when road milled last summer they removed the loops that help control the light. These loops were just put them in last week and they are working on the timing, so the light will stay green longer, allowing for better flow of traffic. Between that and the increased enforcement, should see some improvement. Would ask that complainants let us know if they don't see improvement.

Item is Closed

**WD Neighborhood Progress:**

- Issue regarding the stop sign and driving through neighborhood has been discussed with residents/workers and enforcement has taken place. Since then, have not heard complaints.
- As far as having a walker, not many people were ultimately going to walk to the school, so it didn't make sense to have one.
- Regarding the stop sign on Coppermine, CT Water is going to start tearing it up to put in new water line, so with that, we can look at building up the curb line. This would take place sometime next year.
- The trees/brush on Bella/Red Coat Lane have been cleaned up.
- In order to have lights for the crosswalk, would cost about \$14,000. Putting sign in middle of walk isn't feasible because it's too small an area and would be constantly hit by trucks/cars turning onto WD.
- Unfortunately, it was determined that nothing can be done re intersection on Red Coat Lane/West District. Not feasible to change it.

**B. New Business**

**0519-01** – Safety issue entering/exiting FHS lot

Josh Abraham discussed how the Empowerment group at FHS would like traffic to flow more efficiently on Montieth Drive. He suggested separate lanes going up to the High School, with one lane for the teachers taking a left into their lot, and a separate lane for students taking a right. TRB discussed that while the groups' ideas were well thought-out and right in line with what could help, there isn't enough room to have those two separate lanes. However, the town is looking at possibly widening the road, as part of the town parking lot renovation. Also, ideally would want designated left turn lane from Rte 4 to Monteith and designated right turn lane, into the high school. TRB is still holding out hope for a bridge to be built across the river which would greatly alleviate traffic concerns.  
Item is Closed.

**0519-02** Traffic issue at 5 Corners

Group will be reaching out to the owner of Nardelli's and recommending that they post a suggested sign to exit Nardelli's through the back, onto Rte 6, as opposed to trying to take a Left onto Mountain/Birdseye.

Item is Closed, pending speaking with owner.

**0519-03** Speeding Concerns on Town Farm Road

Group looked at volume by speed report and determined that majority of cars are within 5 miles of speed limit. Summary report to be sent to complainant. Extra attention will be given in area to deter speeding.

Item is Closed

Meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Rush  
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