

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, July 15, 2015

Meeting commenced at 1:05 p.m., Wednesday, July 15, 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, Amy Suffredini & other neighbors) – Several residents from High Street attended the meeting and Chief Melanson handed out a worksheet to all in attendance, which contained traffic calming ideas for High Street, drawn up by Civil Engineer Matt Blume. Matt Blume went over each of the ideas on the worksheet and after some discussion it was decided to first start with a 3-Way Stop Sign on Mountain Road and High Street to be installed. This is being done in order to facilitate several future temporary traffic calming measures on High Street. The Stop sign will be installed within the next week and won't need a pre staged message board. The current plan is to conduct the preliminary traffic study in September and begin the modifications and subsequent evaluations in October. Scott Zenke cautioned that this may be a problem for cars and snow plows in the winter months having to stop on the hill and getting stuck. The second modification, to be implemented in October, will be to install a "No Left Turn" sign from Mountain Road onto High Street. The data again will be collected and evaluated. It was mentioned that before any of the solutions (other than the Stop sign) are put into place, we will put up a message board about 10 days in advance to alert the public of these traffic changes. Chief Melanson mentioned that as these measures are in place, he hopes the residents will continue to keep us informed of the effects both pro and con. The residents mentioned that they would also like to remove the "No Right on Red" sign at Main Street and Rte. 4. Matt Blume said the state is working with us through all of our solutions and he also reiterated that the State will install a traffic light at High Street and Rte. 4 during the reconstruction process in that area. This Item Tabled.

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.

II. New Business:

1. **0715-01 – Request to Widen Devonwood Road at the Rte. 4 Intersection to Turn Right** – (George Reider) – Matt Blume mentioned that this item was brought up one and a half years ago by the President of Devonwood. There was discussion that if a lane were to be put in

place, that the cost would be borne by Devonwood, as it is a private road. There was talk that if the bollards were removed, there would be room to make a right turn. It was also mentioned that a request was made to the State to add more green time to Devonwood when this item was addressed over a year ago; Matt will check with the State to see what the status of the longer green time is. It was suggested that Scott Zenke and Matt Blume contact John Taylor (President of Devonwood) to see if removing the bollards is a viable solution. ~~Item tab~~Closed.

2. **0715-02 – Request to Enforce the Parking Code on Corporate Avenue** – (Krzysztof Korycinski) – Bill Warner reported that the company that is causing the parking issue on Corporate Avenue has sent a letter from their attorney to the Town, stating that a plan is in place and the parking issue will be resolved by September 1st. Item Closed.

III. **Issues:**

No issues at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m. The next TRB meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 19, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room .**

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Golas, Confidential Secretary