

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, February 17, 2016

Meeting commenced at 1:05 p.m., Wednesday, February 17, 2016

Present at Meeting: Chief Melanson, Sgt. Raines, Matt Blume, Scott Zenke, Bill Warner, Jim Platosh, Resident Charlie Leach and John Tharpe

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) – Chief Melanson reported that the Engineering Report and Summary has gone before the Town Council for review and approval. Committee recommends installing speed signs as a first step. Matt Blume has created a matrix sheet for accountability and to track requested and approved items for High Street. This Item Closed.
2. **0515-05 – Request All-Way Stop Control at River Road Intersection at Longridge Court/Brightwood Road** – (Matt Blume) – This item is tabled for additional field research. This Item Tabled for next TRB Meeting.
3. **1015-01 – Design Requests for Tunxis Street at Main Street (Rte. 10) Junction** – (Charlie Leach) – Charlie Leach reported that in the winter months with snow piled onto the corner the children have nowhere to wait for the bus. It was mentioned there are two State owned catch basins which could impede moving the curb in or to narrow the mouth of the street. A suggestion was made to install wooden guard rails, however, the state would not permit this as it is considered a “Fixed Object”. It was noted that the sidewalks must be cleared of snow by the abutting property owners. It was recommended that the Engineering Division continue to pursue options for this intersection. Item Tabled for next TRB Meeting.

II. New Business:

1. **0216-01 – Speeding Cars and Many Trucks in the Oakland Garden Area** – (David Hutchinson) – It was recommended to use Police Selective Enforcement in the area to enforce the speed limit and Sgt. Raines will speak with the owner of the package store to ask if delivery trucks could stay on Route 4 after making their deliveries. Item Closed.
2. **0216-02 – Request a “Slow Down Curve” Sign for Town Farm Road (Northbound)** – Lou Pandolfi) – Item approved by the Committee to install a curve warning sign just after the 4th green. Item Closed.

3. **0216-03 – IAR Request for “No Parking” signs on Patrick Flood Rd. on side of School Property and for School hours Only** – (Ted Donahue, Principal) – Committee approved the “No Parking” signs be put up to specify no parking during school hours. Sgt. Raines will notify the school Principal before the signs are erected. Item Closed.

4. **0216-04 – Dangerous Rte. 10 and Rte. 4 Intersection due to Tractor Trailers and Request a “Turn Left Arrow” for Eastbound cars to Turn onto Waterville Road.** – (Dr. Don Hight) – Matt Blume mentioned that the request for the Turn Left Arrow for Waterville Road has been submitted more than once to the DOT, and has been denied each time. The state has reported in the past that the traffic signal cannot support the additional phase without significantly impacting operations at that location. Even so, Matt Blume will put in a request to the DOT for the Turn Left Arrow onto Waterville Road and also bring it to the DOT’s attention. There are no weight restrictions for Tractor Trailers for Rte. 10 and Rte. 4, but a letter will be sent to the State for their response. Item Closed.

III. Issues:

1. **Bike Signage Request** – (Matt Blume) – Woodruff Road & Bicycle Friendly Community.-
Item Tabled for March Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m. The next TRB meeting will take place on Wed. March 16, 2016 at 1:00 p. m. in the Administrative Wing Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Golas, Confidential Secretary