

## TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

### Wednesday, January 19, 2022

Meeting commenced at 1:00 p.m in the Yates Community Room

Present at Meeting: Chief Melanson, Lt Egan, Officer Frink, Kat Krajewski, Sgt Stone, Jim Platosh, Amber Rush and residents Sam and Mariah Reisner (re: 0122-01)

**0122-01:** Several concerns re: School street and visibility, times of signage and enforcement for “School Buses Only,” as well as a painted crosswalk across School at Main.

The residents who brought the issues to our attention, spoke on behalf of their claims. It was determined that:

- **The Traffic Officer will coordinate with the School Resource Officer to review with the school if the restricted times are accurate,** as they were posted nearly a decade ago, and times may have changed since then. The residents are requesting perhaps the time be extended beyond what exists now.
- **The Traffic Officer and School Resource Office will ensure that enforcement continues** so that if people are using School Street as a cut-thru, they will first receive a warning and any violation after that will result in being ticketed. It was suggested that if residents see it becoming an issue again, after officers have been enforcing the rules, to email our Traffic Officer, so he can revisit.
- **The suggestion of having a painted crosswalk across School Street at Main Street will be considered when the sidewalks are getting replaced this summer, as that would be the best time to do that, since it requires specific ADA compliance items to be accounted for.**

Item is Closed

**0121-04:** Residents of Aquaduct/Talcott Notch Road requesting signage on Aquaduct to read “No trucks allowed,” a sign for “Restricted Access” during certain times (similar to Lake or School St) and possibly making Aquaduct a one-way street.

Item was tabled, as the Public Works Director was out sick, but there was a brief discussion about speed/traffic volume studies that had been done. It was determined that there is considerably less traffic on both Aquaduct and Talcott Notch, now that the major construction project has been completed. Where Aquaduct had been seeing around 1600 cars/day, that number dropped substantially to 600 cars a day. For Talcott Notch, 2300 cars dropped down by 700 cars/day. Given this data, and the fact that it isn’t feasible to make that road a Dead-End or one-way street, the only option at this point is to see if a roundabout can be installed which would help with traffic flow. Once the state has concluded their study of the roads in that area, the town will suggest considering a roundabout.

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Rush  
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