

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, June 15, 2016

Meeting commenced at 10:15 a.m., Wednesday, June 15, 2016.

Present at Meeting: Chief Melanson, Capitan Porter, Matt Blume, Scott Zenke, Kat Howroyd. Also in attendance were Dino Marchese, Justin Bernier, and Gerard Haviland (Farmington Residents)

A. Old Business:

1. **0515-05 – Request All-Way Stop Control at River Road Intersection at Longridge Court/Brightwood Road** – (Matt Blume) – Data has been collected but will be reviewed at the next TRB meeting. Item tabled.

2. **0416-01 – Safety of Children on Carrington Lane (make into One-Way Street)** - (Gerard Haviland/Dino Marchese/Justin Bernier). The Committee had general discussion with the Carrington Lane residents to discuss their concerns about Carrington Lane and offer potential solutions. The Committee will work with the principal of Noah Wallace School to put a plan in place before the start of the next school year. The Committee will evaluate the following potential options to determine the best course of action:
 1. Modifying the Colton Street/Carrington Lane/Main Street (Route 10) intersection
 2. Restrict/Block traffic on Carrington Lanes at specific times
 3. Enforce “No Parking” on Church Street to allow two way traffic
 4. Enhance school drop off system, possibly making the playground the parent drop off areaThe residents requested a speed limit sign be placed on Carrington Lane. In accordance with State Statutes, Matt will request approval to install a speed limit sign from the Connecticut Department of Transportation. Officer Stan Lada will initiate conversation with the Principal at Noah Wallace School regarding school drop off. Item Tabled.

3. **0516-01 – Speeding Cars on Pearl Street – Request Speed Deterrents, Speed Bumps, Slow Signs** - (Petition of Pearl Street and Garden Street Residents). Matt Blume reported that Pearl Street carries approximately 60 cars per day in both directions. During the peak hour, eastbound volume was found to be about 16 cars and westbound was about 5 cars. Average speed is 25 mph in the eastbound direction and 29 mph in the westbound direction. New speed bump installations are no longer implemented on Town roads and the Committee indicated that it will not make major changes to roadways until the Route 4 construction is complete. In the coming months, a new Traffic Officer position will be filled, whose primary responsibility will be to enforce speeding and other traffic laws throughout town, including this area. This item remains open should requestors wish to address the board at the next meeting.

B. New Business:

1. **0616-01 – Request “No Thru Trucks” Sign for Talcott Notch Road** – Nancy
In accordance with State Statues, Matt will request that the Connecticut Department of Transportation conduct a study to determine if a “No Thru Truck” sign can be installed. Item Closed.

2. **0616-02 – Request “Speed Bumps” for Mill Lane** – (Irene Brent)
Previous traffic data indicates that this road carries approximately 1200 cars per day. The Engineering Division will collect new traffic data after the road paving project is complete. Miss Porter’s School is planning on installing sidewalk along Mill Street. New speed bump installations are no longer implemented on Town roads, however, it was decided that if a speed limit sign is not currently installed on Mill Lane, Matt

will request one from the State. This item remains open should requestor wish to address the board at the next meeting.

C. Issues:

1. **Bike Signage-(Matt Blume) – Bicycle Friendly Community.** No report- Item Tabled.
2. **Garden Street Speed Humps - Scott Zenke**
A survey will be distributed to Garden Street residents/property owners regarding speed hump replacement after road reconstruction. The survey will indicate that the Town will also look at other Traffic Calming methods if the speed humps are removed. Item Tabled.
3. **Cambridge Crossing Speed Control - Scott Zenke.** No report- Item Tabled

The meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m. The next TRB meeting will take place on Wed. July 20, 2016 at 1:00 pm in the Administrative Wing Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathryn Howroyd, Administrative Support Clerk