

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Meeting commenced at 1:10 p.m., Wednesday, September 21, 2016.

Present at Meeting: Chief Melanson, Captain Porter, Lt. Buckley, Sgt. Vincent, Matt Blume, Scott Zenke, Dennis Frazio, Kat Howroyd, & Carol Golas

Kat Howroyd gave a presentation of the Coding of the TRB's that have been issued. The new software (Asana) will categorize the TRB item when it comes in and also code it again when it is completed. It breaks each TRB item into categories such as signage, traffic calming, selective enforcement and even by location. There will be one data base that each TRB member will have access to and if it is assigned for action to one committee member, they will be notified by an e-mail that it has been assigned to them for action. Once the action is completed they can then enter into the data base that the action for the item has been completed. Kat's presentation was well liked and applauded by the group for her great work on this project.

A. Old Business:

1. **0416-01 – Safety of Children on Carrington Lane (make into One-Way Street)** –Captain Porter reported that he, Scott Zenke and Matt Blume met with Superintendent Greider, Noah Wallace Principal Sanders and the Board of Ed Transportation Director to discuss possible solutions prior to the start of school. The police department had monitored traffic on Carrington, Hart, and Church during school hours to address violations and verbal warnings were given out for the first 10 days and 5 violations for parking and 5 Town Code violations were also given out. It was reported that Matt Blume has requested a permanent stop sign from the DOT for Carrington and Hart Street to replace the temporary stop sign which residents are pleased with. Lt. Buckley suggested painting curbs on Hart and Church Streets where there is no Parking or post No Parking signs or do both. Scott Zenke said he will look at the area to see if he can X-out some parking areas and perhaps the school could notify parents what is the legal parking area. Captain Porter reported that Officer Lada has been working with the school during their special events and the school has used the playground for parking at those times. Scott Zenke reported he has mentioned to the Town Manager and the School Principal that an item for future Capital projects could be to remove 2 of the houses to make room for additional parking. Tabled for October TRB Meeting.
2. **0816-02 – Request Enforcement of Speeding on Mountain Spring Road, Request a Permanent Speed Sign and Review Speed Limit** – (Joe Sichler) – Captain Porter reported that he and Matt Blume will speak with Mr. Sichler about the possibility of their association purchasing a speed sign; however, research indicates permanently mounted speed signs are ineffective. It was mentioned that speed limits are established by the state DOT and that several prior reviews of the speed limit by the DOT deemed that the speed limit was appropriate. Police will continue enforcement. This Item tabled for October Meeting.
3. **0816-03 – Enforce Speeding on Morea Road into Bristol Stevens Street (co-ordinate with Bristol)** – (Jenny Daigle) – The area was examined by Captain Porter and Scott Zenke and the signage was found to be appropriate and properly posted and there is no indication that signage has been changed or removed as the complainant suggested. Police will continue enforcement efforts and will use the complainant's driveway for selective enforcement. Item Closed.

B. New Business:

1. **0916-01 – Review Stop Sign Locations on South Rd.** – (Matt Blume) – Matt reported that work/repaving is being done and he needs to figure where to place new Stop Signs once the road is completed. It was suggested to put a 3 way stop sign at each intersection of Fairview and Orchard but it was decided to table this item to review the area once the street is re-constructed. Tabled for October meeting.

2. **0916-02 – Request to Stop Traffic for Pedestrian Crossing at Rte. 4 and Woewassa Lane** – (Gerald Casella)
Scott Zenke reported the same situation should apply to Rte. 4 and Perry, Knollwood and Rte. 4/ Rte. 4 and Woewassa Lane Intersection. It was decided that Matt Blume send a letter of request to DOT to adjust the intersection for exclusive pedestrian phase crossings. Item Closed.

3. **0916-03 – Request No Parking Signs for New Britain Avenue Lot located between Coppermine Rd. and Red Oak Hill Road for the Outside Grassy Area as Cars park outside of designated area creating Safety Concerns** – (Marlene & Joseph Zawacki) – There was a suggestion to put a sign up indicating another parking lot at Oakridge and at The Meade. It was also mentioned that the Town is working on another parking area with the Rails to Trails construction. This Item tabled for October meeting.

C. Issues:

No issues reported.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15p.m. The next TRB meeting will take place on Wed. October 19, 2016 at 1:00 pm in the Administrative Wing Conference Room.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Golas, Confidential Secretary