

DERRY HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE  
Minutes for October 21, 2010



Committee Member	Present	Absent
Tom Caron, Chairman	X	
Alan Côté, DPW	X	
Ed Garone, Derry Police		X
George Klauber, Derry Fire Dept.	X	
Jane Simard, Derry School Dept.		X
Steve Wallack		X
Grant Benson Jr	X	
Randall Chase	X	
Albert Dimmock	X	
Mike Houghton		X
Patti Doyle (School Dept Alt)		X
George Feole (Police Alt)		X
Mike Wallinski (Fire Alt)	X	
Mike Fowler (DPW Alt)		X

A monthly meeting of the Derry Highway Safety Committee was held Thursday, October 21, 2010 at the Derry Municipal Building Center. The meeting was called to order at 9:01 am.

**Approval of Minutes**

**George Klauber made a motion to table accepting minutes until next meeting. Seconded by Grant Benson.**

**Motion passed.**

OLD BUSINESS

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**Jaye Gowan – Requesting Speed limit reduction, School Zone stenciling, and/or Blinking light – Eastgate Rd at Bypass 28.**

Discussion ensued regarding the volume of traffic exiting Eastgate Road compared to English Range Road and Scobie Pond Rd. It was agreed that the amount of traffic exiting Eastgate was far less than that at the intersection of English Range Rd and Scobie Pond Rd.

The Derry Cooperative School District sent a letter supporting the State Highway Dept. installing a flashing light and/or any road signage regarding the intersection.

Sight distance is extremely good at this intersection.

**Grant Benson moved to not recommend a flashing light or reduction in speed limit at this intersection.**

**Seconded by Albert Dimmock.**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**John Conroy- Requesting “Do Not Enter” signs on High Street at Madden Hill Rd.**

Alan Côté reviewed the signs and found that the sign on High Street at West Broadway was faded but very visible. He will have the sign replaced. There are two signs on Madden Hill Rd at West Broadway.

Discussion ensued regarding installing the traffic counter to see how many vehicles go up High Street the wrong way.

Public Works will install the traffic counter and report its findings next month.

**John Conroy- Requesting “Stop” sign at High Street at Beacon Street.**

Randy Chase asked if the Public Works Department could review the sight distance at the intersection coming out of Beacon Street to see if a stop sign may be warranted on High Street.

It was reiterated that Stop signs should not be installed to slow down traffic.

Public Works will review the sight distance and report back at the next Highway Safety Committee meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

**Regina Blaney – Requesting “Do Not Block Intersection” sign on Broadway at Elm Street**

After Reviewing Ms. Blaney’s letter, it was clear that she wanted the sign placed to prohibit blocking the intersection so that she would have room to get into traffic on West Broadway to travel west, blocking the intersection herself by that action.

There is adequate width in the eastbound direction for traffic to go around motorist waiting to take a left onto Elm Street and generally there is not a long queue waiting to make that left turn.

**Randy Chase made a motion to deny the request for a “Do Not Block Intersection” and send Ms. Blaney a letter explaining the reasoning why the sign was not warranted.**

**Seconded by: Albert Dimmock  
MOTION – PASSED Unanimously.**

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**Valerie Roche – Requesting a “Curve” Sign on Walnut Hill Rd near Alder Court**

Discussion ensued regarding the sight distance approaching the curve and the fact that there are many curves which are far more severe than the one at this location. It may not warrant a curve sign as it is not a sharp curve and has an approach that makes it easy to see.

**George Klauber made a motion to table the discussion till after a Police report on accidents in this proximity can be reviewed.**

**Seconded by: Grant Benson  
MOTION - PASSED**

**George Klauber Made a motion to adjourn.**

**Seconded by: Randy Chase**

**MOTION-PASSED**

Next Meeting is Thursday – November 18, 2010

Respectfully,  
Alan Côté Supt. of Operations