

DERRY HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE  
Minutes for May 19, 2011



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
Kathy Garafalo	X	
Grant Benson Jr, V-Chair	X	
Randall Chase	X	
Albert Dimmock	X	
Mike Houghton		X
Patti Doyle (School Dept Alt)		X
Vern Thomas (Police Alt)	X	
Jayne Gagnon (Fire Alt)		X
Mike Fowler (DPW Alt)		X

A monthly meeting of the Derry Highway Safety Committee was held Thursday, May 19, 2011 at the Derry Municipal Building Center. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Al Dimmock made a motion to accept the April 21, 2011 as amended.**

**Seconded by Grant Benson.**

**Motion passed.**

Abstained: Tom Caron, Randy Chase and Kathy Garafalo

## OLD BUSINESS

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### **DMC Safety Committee – 2 way along McAllister Court (between Pearl St & Sovereign Bank Drive thru)**

Grant Benson doesn't feel that McAllister Court needs to become a 2-way street.

Alan Cote stated that the Municipal Parking is currently being used as a cut through to get to the Sovereign Bank Drive-thru. He feels the parking lot should not be used as a road.

Vern Thomas stated that the Police Department is not able to ticket anyone driving through the parking lot because parking lots do not have an enforceable speed limit.

Alan Cote asked the members to state the negatives of changing McAllister Court into a 2-way from the bank to Pearl St. He felt that by making McAllister Court a 2-way the Town would actually be making the road less restrictive.

Randy Chase felt the benefits of changing the road to a 2-way out-way the occasional motorist that goes straight through and comes out of McAllister onto East Broadway.

Vern Thomas stated that McAllister Court was originally made a 1-way in a northerly direction to restrict the traffic flow from coming onto East Broadway.

Alan Cote also commented that McAllister Court was configured differently prior to the Municipal Center being built. McAllister Court is now wide enough to allow for 2-way traffic.

Vern Thomas felt it would be a safety issue if the Town were to leave McAllister Court as a one way.

Tom Caron asked if there would be a cost to make this change.

Alan Cote stated that the cost would be minimal. The Highway Department would only need to relocate some signs. The question is, do we make McAllister Court a 2-way from the back of the Bank or at the entrance of the drive-thru.

Randy Chase felt it would be beneficial to go from the end of the bank making the parking lots behind the East Broadway businesses accessible from McAllister Court as well.

**Randy Chase made a motion to have the Town Council amend the Code of the Town of Derry, Chapter 150, Traffic Ordinance Article I, Section §150-8 One Way Street, to read:**

**Currently:**

**McAllister Court North Entire length between East Broadway and Pearl Street.**

**Amended to:**

**McAllister Court North For a distance of 115 ft from East Broadway**

**Seconded by Vern Thomas  
Motion PASSED**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Vern Thomas – Police Grants**

Vern Thomas explained that there was a grant that the Police Department wanted to participate in for the upcoming year.

Red Light Voilations 22 - 4hr Details \$5,500.00 Federal share / No local share

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**OTHER BUSINESS**

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**Alan Cote made a motion to adjourn at 9:38am.**

**Seconded by: George Klauber**

**MOTION-PASSED**

Next Meeting is Thursday – June 16, 2011

Respectfully,  
Sharon Trenholm, Recording Clerk