

DERRY HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minutes for January 15, 2015



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
Randall Chase	X	
Mike Houghton, Co-Chair		X
Donald Burgess	X	
Walter Deyo	X	
Scott Savard	X	
Patti Doyle (School Dept Alt)		
George Feole (Police Alt)		
Mike Gagnon (Fire Alt)	X	
Mike Fowler (DPW Alt)		

A monthly meeting of the Derry Highway Safety Committee was held Thursday, January 15, 2015 at the Derry Municipal Building Center. Meeting was called to order at 9:01 am.

Approval of Minutes

Scott Savard made a motion to accept the December 18, 2014 as presented. Donald Burgess seconded.

Motion passed. (6 – 0 - 2) Abstained – Mike Gagnon, George Klauber

OLD BUSINESS

Mark Bishop – 91 Goodhue Rd – Signage – Sharp Corner

Donald Burgess drove the road and commented that the curve does come up on one quickly. He felt it would be hard to resolve. His initial thought was to suggest guardrails, but that would make the accidents worse. He then suggested that the Town install a “Slippery when Wet” sign.

Scott Savard also drove the road and was surprised how quickly the curve came up on you.

Ed Garone stated that the road sees repetitive drivers and they should be aware of the curve. There are many other locations in Derry with similar curves.

Alan Cote stated that the MUTCD Guidelines suggest that Town’s keep signs to a minimum. He wondered if this location had a high accident count.

Ed Garone stated that he had not checked the accident rates, but it didn’t stand out as a high accident location. He felt it was more that drivers failed to reduce their speed for the conditions.

Alan Cote presented the various signs that would be appropriate. Alan felt that a “Slippery when Wet” (W8-5) sign or a Curve advisory sign (W1-5) would be an option.

**Mike Gagnon made a motion to have a sign installed.
Seconded by Randy Chase.**

MOTION FAILED (1 - 7)

NEW BUSINESS

Bob Carr – 10A Street – Alternative Treatment Center (formerly Gold’s Gym)

Bob Carr presented a traffic study to the Committee. There is good site distance and estimate 112 vehicles would come/go from the property daily.

Alan Cote felt this use would have less impact on traffic on A Street than the gym did.

Ed Garone asked if there could be any construction changes to the site.

Bob Carr stated that the building was in great shape and they were not making any changes to the outside of the building or parking lot.

**Ed Garone made a motion to accept the plan as presented.
Seconded Scott Savard**

MOTION PASSED (8 – 0)

OTHER BUSINESS

**Alan Cote made a motion to adjourn at 9:14 am.
Seconded by Randy Chase**

Next Meeting is Thursday – February 19, 2015

Respectfully,
Sharon Jensen