

Minutes
Highway Safety Committee Meeting
July 10, 2014
At the Senior Center at 3:30pm

Members present: Officer Wigmore, Officer Brown, Dick Brennan, Jeff Lewis, Fred VonBargen, Phil Tuck, Chris West, Paul Brogna
Guests: Mr. & Mrs. Healey (Landing Rd), Frank Holden (Powder Point Ave)

Previous Meeting Minutes – June minutes were accepted

OLD BUSINESS:

Pembroke Truck Exclusion High St Update – Close out. Action is up to Pembroke

Winter St/Rt 53 Round-a-bout – No update

Powder Point Bridge Update – Final inspection for pile work was done July 17th. Chris asked if an emergency vehicle weighing more than the posting could get a special permit. Jeff thought MassDOT could issue one if vehicle weights were submitted, but with the recent pile work the posting should be able to be raised to 8 tons.

Halls Corner Safety Issues – Old Colony Planning Council Halls Corner Study is ongoing. They will have a presentation next week to give an update. Dick and Fred are planning to attend. Dick mentioned a flashing variable message sign could be placed on Chestnut Street to alert vehicals. This option will be investigated further. Canton has a couple currently in place. Jeff mentioned placing a traffic entering sign at the flag pole as another option.

Traffic Concerns on Careswell St – No update. Peter will check on status.

Duxbury Free Library – Carol Jankowski says there has been no improvement in traffic although the parking in the fire lane has decreased due to enforcement. There is still concern with children crossing although there was someone assigned to help the issue. Paul will speak to Carol about the traffic circulation

Church St Traffic, Speeding & Enforcement – The Police continue to monitor & enforce speeding. Will close this out.

McLean's Way – The Committee submitted a letter with comments to the Zoning Board of Appeals

Hounds Ditch Children Sign – A resident wants to remove the children sign since she believes it is not applicable anymore and does not like the appearance. The Committee feels it is still applicable. Paul will speak with the resident and suggest they get a petition from all residents before making a decision to remove the sign.

One Lincoln St Blind Dr. Signs – Mr. Pratt called and requested a sign. Peter will install a sign.

Powder Point / King Caesar Stop Signs – Stop Signs and cross walk markings have been requested on all sides of the intersection adjacent to the west end of the bridge. The police have checked accident records and found none in recent history. Mr. Holden reported there was a speed limit sign on Powder Point Ave heading away from the beach that is missing. Also mentioned pedestrian traffic has increased and here is no indication of an intersection as cars approach this intersection. Suggestions mentioned were to add intersection ahead signs, share the road signs and/or that there is heavy pedestrian use. Paul will speak to Peter about some signs.

Landing Rd – Mr. & Mrs. Healey explained that parking is a problem. The parked cars block delivery of mail. They want the last 100 feet of the road enforced for no parking. They say No Parking signs used to be there. Jeff reported that this location is not mentioned in the Rules and Orders for no parking on the road. The Healeys said there have been some tickets issued and some improvement since last month, but high tide is still problematic. The Committee will advise the Selectmen to place include the road as no parking on one side with an additional sign for no parking beyond Surf Side West towards the beach.

Captains Hill & Standish – A resident complained that cars are parked & block the sight line. Random checks by the Committee members indicate the issue is not frequent. Paul will see if he can contact the new home owner. We will discuss at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Parking on Howland's Landing – Phil suggested we review regulations

Upland Rd – Yield sign seems to be missing

Next meeting: Next meeting scheduled for August 7, 2014 at the Senior Center.

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