

The Londonderry Street Naming System Task Force held a meeting on January 11th, 2012 in the Woodmont Room of Londonderry Town Hall. The Meeting began at 9:30 am.

Present: Task Force Members: John Vogl, Karen Marchant, Bobby Jones and Brian Johnson
Also present: Deborah Lack, 22 Kelley Rd

J. Vogl opened the meeting by explaining that the group needed to set a schedule for carrying out Kelley Rd changes. Following the October 2011 workshop, Ryder Daniels (22 Kelley) had been granted some time to try and get a consensus from residents of the road for an alternate name to be recommended if the final decision made by the council was to change the name of Kelley Road. J. Vogl said he had exchange emails with Deborah Lack (22 Kelley Rd) and that Mrs. Lack had suggested a couple alternate names based on a neighborhood canvas. He said that Delp and Horizon were suggested. Delp had originated from the residents while Horizon was taken from the list obtained from the heritage commission. Members reviewed the names and felt that either would be appropriate. Mrs. Lack told the group that the neighborhood remained opposed to any changes and that there were three home-based businesses on the street that would be affected. She said that of the names considered, the neighborhood wanted the shortest name. J. Vogl said that since all the residents had already seen Horizon, the group should entertain that name. K. Marchant made a motion to recommend Horizon Road as an alternate name for Kelley Rd to the Council. B. Jones seconded. No opposition. Members then reviewed the Council schedule for adoption. The following dates were available and should be used: February 9th for 1st read, March 5th for 2nd read and public hearing. [Update - following the meeting, members reviewed the Council schedule and found that Feb 9th would not be available. The following schedule was recommended: 1st read: March 5th, 2nd read and public hearing: March 19th]

Members reviewed the minutes for November 10th and December 8th. K. Marchant and J. Vogl suggested amendments. Members reviewed the status list from the 12/11 minutes and offered observations.

K. Marchant said that Wagon Wheels Mobile Home Park should be added to the list. She said there is no mailbox at the end of each road and that residents are using #2 Stonehenge as their address. A central delivery box might be required if residents use city-style addressing since it would be difficult to enable street delivery. B. Jones said this has been very problematic for the PD. K. Marchant said we should communicate with Postmaster Jay Hooley to identify any issues with formalizing street names in the park. B. Johnson said that Wagon Wheels was definitely an issue. He said they have a history of going there for certain residents. He said it is also difficult to get apparatus to the site and that it is critical to know precisely where callers are located. J. Vogl said he would speak with Jay Hooley on this one.

Members discussed Apollo Road and Apollo Road Extension. B. Jones said that there have been dispatch problems to Apollo Rd Ext. J. Vogl said the group would have a hard time explaining why the two duplicate names were left in place and that these needed to be corrected.

Members discussed South Parrish Dr and West Parrish Drive. Given that there is only one house on West Parrish Drive and no potential for further units, members agreed to leave the street name in place.

Members discussed Meadow Drive. K. Marchant summarized the consolidation of four lots that are being reviewed the Planning department. Four lots will be consolidated into two to enable construction of 2 new duplex units. These new units will be addressed on Granite St. This cements the disconnect between the two existing sections of Meadow Drive. Members agreed that this would need correction soon and that the section from Rte 102 to Mohawk Drive should be changed.

Members discussed Jacks Bridge Rd/Symmes Drive. B. Johnson asked if larger signage would help alert people of the name change. All agreed this would be worth pursuing.

Members discussed changes to condominiums on Boyd Road and Old Nashua Road. B. Johnson and B. Jones agreed these were high priority changes. J. Vogl and K. Marchant will review the numbers before the next meeting.

All agreed that changes to Meadow Drive and Wagon Wheels should be the next focus area for the task force.

K. Marchant made a motion to adopt the minutes as amended for 12/8/11. B. Johnson seconded. All agreed; motion passed. K. Marchant made a motion to adopt the minutes as amended for 11/10/11. B. Johnson seconded. B. Jones abstained since he had not attended that meeting. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by B. Johnson, seconded by K. Marchant

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.

Minutes recorded by John Vogl

John Vogl

From: Deborah Lack <deborah.lack@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 25, 2011 11:28 PM
To: John Vogl
Subject: Kelley Road name change issue

Hi John.

Thanks so much for your call earlier this week. In the holiday rush, we haven't checked messages on the home machine, and just got your message now. I apologize for the delay and hope you had a wonderful Christmas holiday, if that is what you celebrate.

Dolly Stoklosa at #6 Kelley Road, and I have been communicating with the residents of the street about the name change, which has been a challenge, but we have managed to speak with all but one resident. The list we circulated from you included:

Grist Mill
Ski Slope Drive
Stage Coast Road
Horizon Rd or St.

Additional Suggestions were:

Delp Rd (referring to former resident & late Boston band member Brad Delp) Hayden Ln

No-one wanted Grist Mill or Ski Slope Drive. Please remove them from consideration. Hayden and StageCoach Road received one vote each, but the two alternative name choices with the most votes are currently Delp Rd and Horizon (is it Rd, Ln, or St.?)

People are traveling and busy with the holidays, so after Christmas when they have time to read over the list, we were planning to recirculate the top two alternates for conclusive consideration by the street. In every case, however, the resident has made it clear that Kelley Road remains their street name of choice, and some would not vote for an alternate. Residents of Kelley Road do not want to change the street name, and have expressed a strong desire to keep the name of the street the same. Many are interested in knowing when the next meeting will be, and would like to attend. Please help us keep the street informed and let us know what the next steps and discussions will be. We are grateful for your consideration of the residents and are thankful for the opportunity to participate in the making of this decision that affects us all. We look forward to hearing from you after the holiday(s).

Deborah Lack (and Dolly Stoklosa, and Ryder Daniels)