

CITY OF MARLBOROUGH MEETING POSTING

Meeting Name: Traffic Commission

Date: August 23, 2016

Time: 10:00am

Location: 1st Floor City Hall, Committee Meeting Room

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Agenda Items to be addressed:

1) MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

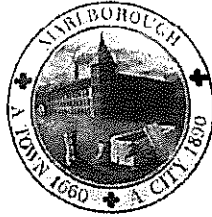
2) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Blind Driveway sign request at 605 Hemenway St.
- b) Request for speed limit signage on Curtis Ave.
- c) Request for parking restriction near 6 Winter St.

3) OLD BUSINESS

- a) Traffic Commission rules and regulations update.
- b) Traffic concerns at Wilson & Hemenway Sts.
- c) Timing of traffic signals on Lincoln St. @ Bolton St.
- d) Intersection of Boston Post Rd. West and Ames St. – U-turns.
- e) Parking concerns on Middle St.
- f) Request for stop signs on Weed St. at Florence St.

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WARNING SIGN PERMIT

Contact Information:

Requested by: Kevin R. Keefe
Address: 605 Hemenway St.
Marlborough, MA 01752
Phone: 508-395-1385
Email: sarge9@comcast.net

Reason for Warning Sign:

Blind driveway in a 20MPH speed zone. Would like to warn northbound traffic of such with 'standard' warning sign.

Documentation attached (as backup information for this request):

I had emailed Ward 1 Councilor, Mr. Joseph Delano to initiate this request on June 17th, 2016.
Text of message:

Sir,

Requesting a blind driveway sign to be put back up for 605 Hemenway St. on the north-easterly (?) side.

When the city added a sewer line and repaved this area many years ago, I had requested a sign to be put up and the city had complied immediately.

Over the course of the years, the 20mph speed limit, not being completely enforced, I had placed an orange triangle sign (farm tractor type) on the post that the blind drive sign was on to hopefully increase the sign's visibility and to slow traffic. This triangle was in place for several (four years?) and all of a sudden, the city removed the blind driveway sign and post with orange triangle, evidently this not being to city standards. There has been no sign there for a couple of years now and increased traffic has not slowed.

I am requesting that another sign be placed as it is a terrible blind spot to get out of and getting out of my driveway can only be somewhat safely achieved by listening for on-coming traffic and by driving out in a forward direction only.

Thank you!

Kevin Keefe
605 Hemenway St.
508-395-1385



Proposed text:
(maximum 3 lines -- on 24" x 24" diamond shape sign, yellow background & 6" black lettering)

Approved Text

First line: (maximum 8 letters) BLIND

Second line: (maximum 12 letters) DRIVE

Third Line: (maximum 8 letters) AHEAD

Marlborough Traffic Commission – Chair

Effective Date: _____

This permit must be renewed annually with the Marlborough Traffic Commission or the sign will be removed.

My name is Bernadette Seariac Carlson. I have lived with my family at 76 Curtis Avenue for 19 1/2 years. When I first moved in, I had a 2 year old son and my daughter wasn't born yet. My children are now 21 and 18. We all reside in our home. I have live in Marlborough since 1976.

Having lived on Curtis Avenue for this duration of time, I have experienced seeing and hearing a significance of speeding on my road. I have made several attempts to go to Committee Meetings with some of my neighbors along the way in regards to the speed of the vehicles traveling on my street. We proposed several times to install speed bumps which were not warranted because of the cut-through nature of the road. We also made attempts to have Curtis Avenue turned into a one-way street. I was told this was not possible either. The Marlborough Police Department, for which I have a great deal of respect for, decided to have speed traps on my road at different times of the day and night. This was helpful for the time it served but as we both know the Marlborough Police Department has better things to do with their time than to sit at speed traps at the top and bottom of a street in Marlborough.

My next and current proposal is to install SPEED LIMIT 25 signs. It is far less costly than installing speed bumps or having police officers serve a detail and would not inconvenience the traffic patterns and flow as Curtis Avenue is a cut-through road. What it would do is serve as a visual reminder for the many, many residents and visitors to be more aware of those who live on our street. I have 2 sets of neighbors who are over 80 years of age whom I know would appreciate SPEED LIMIT 25 signs. There are families living here who also have young children, and myself who has been here for about 20 years. It would also help to cut down on some of the noise pollution.

I work full time and am not able to attend a Committee Meeting to suggest this proposal. I would think that it should be a fairly simple process to install 2 SPEED LIMIT 25 signs on Curtis Avenue. One at the top and one at the bottom. I appreciate your consideration and would also appreciate a reply.

I trust and hope that you and yours are well and safe and hope that you will support the residents of Curtis Avenue to be safe as well.

Thank you in advance,
Bernadette Seariac Carlson
bernadettecarlson@gmail.com

Mark Leonard

From: Carrie Lizotte
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 11:44 AM
To: Mark Leonard
Subject: FW: Parking problem

From: Dawn Wellman Wellman [mailto:franceseileen2@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 11:43 AM
To: Carrie Lizotte
Subject: Parking problem

Good afternoon I live at 6 winter St there is a potentially dangerous parking issues along the wall across the street when people Park there the cars that are coming off linclon st to turn on winter St can't see the cars parked there and if there is a car waiting to turn that creates a even bigger problem if you could possibly look into this please no parking signs should be placed there thank you for your time

Dawn Wellman