

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE (TSC)

November 30, 2015

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Dave Wheeler (Chairman)
Gary Daniels, BOS representative
Gil Archambault
Lincoln Daley, Director of Community Development
Jason Plourde
Rick Riendeau, Director of Public Works Department
Chief Mike Viola, Police Chief
Captain Craig Frye

Absent: Tina Philbrick, Captain Shawn Pelletier

Dave Wheeler opened the meeting at 4:03 p.m.

He then addressed the Old Business on the agenda:

1. Approval of Minutes from October 19, 2015: Gary noted one change on the minutes. Gil made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. This was seconded by Rick. All were in favor with the exception of Lincoln, who abstained as he was not a committee member at that time.
2. Warrant Article request to open the intersection at Jones Road: No new information. Will be brought forward at a future meeting.
3. Stop Sign Concerns on Mont Vernon Road Submitted by Holly Lenhart: No new information. The Police Department will continue to monitor the area on occasion. Will be brought forward if any new concerns or information is received. **A thank you to Ms. Lenhart for bringing the issue forward.**
4. Chevron Signs for Savage Road as requested by Gil Archambault: Rick checked into putting chevrons on Savage and with respect to the MUTCD guidelines, they would have to be put up along the entire road and the posted speed does not support this. Rick felt that it was more a speed issue. There will be no signs added.

New Business:

1. Patch Hill / Chase Lane concerns as requested by Normand Bergeron: Mr. Bergeron was unable to attend. Captain Frye lives in the area. He spoke to some of the residents and their concerns

were for the speeding but they also mentioned that it was the residents that were speeding. The speed limit is 30mph. Mr. Bergeron had mentioned in his email that that people were not stopping at the Stop Sign on Chase Lane. After some discussion Gary made a motion that the committee **would take this under advisement and that the Police Department would monitor the area occasionally to check for problems.** Jason seconded the motion with all in favor.

2. Add a Crosswalk on Bridge Street to Putnam Street as requested by Ronald Hitt: Mr. Hitt was not in attendance. Jason noted that Bridge Street is very narrow, with a raised curb. It is not a heavily used area comparatively as Nashua or Elm Street. Rick noted that any new crosswalk would have to be ADA compliant and he did not feel that the area warranted it. Gil made a motion to **deny the request based on non-sufficient merit to meet the standards of the MUTCD, and there is also a safety issue to adding a crosswalk at this location.** The motion was seconded by Gary, with all in favor.
3. Committee members' comments on items not on the agenda.

Gil had an item for DPW: the sign on North River Road at the intersection of Mont Vernon Street telling drivers to Use Directional Signals is missing letters.

He also noted that on the oval, headed towards Elm Street, the fuel trucks get caught up on the Islands. The roadway is not wide enough to accommodate them. The Selectmen are aware and are looking into the problem.

Gil noted that there is not at this time a Vice Chairman for this committee. A motion was made by Gary to elect Jason Plourde as Vice Chairman. This motion was seconded by Gil. All were in favor.

Motion to adjourn by Gil after wishing everyone Happy Holidays, with Jason seconding the motion. All were in favor.