

**CITY OF RUTLAND VERMONT
BOARD OF HIGHWAY
MONDAY, JULY 25, 2022**

Present: President Doenges, Mayor Allaire, Commissioner Rotondo, and PA Magro.

Mayor Allaire called the meeting to order at 3:25pm.

Commissioner Rotondo presented a proposal from the State of Vermont Highway Safety & Design Section regarding restriping Routes 4 and 7. Commissioner Rotondo stated this item was referred from Traffic Safety Committee as Board of Highway makes the decision.

Mayor Allaire stated that in 2008 the State pursued a new configuration on Woodstock Avenue, it was not well received by local businesses. Mayor Allaire also stated that the State did a very poor job of communicating to the public the reasons behind the new configuration and the improved safety features.

Commissioner Rotondo stated the State is only asking if Rutland City is interested in investigating lane reconfiguration for improved safety on routes 4 and 7 as part of VTRANS paving project, and if so, VTRANS will direct a design engineer to analyze traffic with lane configuration. Commissioner Rotondo stated if nothing else is done, the data from this survey will be beneficial to the City of Rutland.

President Doenges stated the data is important in order to make decisions further in the project and he would support an analysis with public announcements at every step. Commissioner Rotondo stated the State would be active in announcements to the public and will share the results of the analysis with Rutland City. Commissioner Rotondo also stated the Board of Highway will get to choose.

President Doenges made a motion to approve the first stage of analysis with proper messaging. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.

Respectively submitted,
Sara Magro