

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes of August 25, 2017

PRESENT: Commander Prouty, Jim Rotondo and Dave Sears

ABSENT: Bradley LaFaso of Lafaso Electric and Jeffrey Wennberg

The meeting was called to order by Commander Prouty at 9:06 A.M. Minutes from the June 16, 2017 meeting were accepted as written. Today's meeting Agenda was approved. No further discussion.

New Business:

1. Request to have "no parking" on one side of Spellman Terrace – Jeff Wennberg

Jim stated that this is part of the water main project. We reduced the width of the road, replaced curb, put in 5 feet of green belt. It's now set up for one lane of traffic and parking. Commander Prouty asked if we could have alternating parking, here. Jim stated that he wasn't sure. Jim asked if Commander Prouty asked if it's working out well on Park Avenue. Jim said if we put up 5 line in, we'd have to designate one side for parking. Commander Prouty asked why 5 line? Dave Sears said we could put up no parking this side. Jim Rotondo said it should be signs, not pavement markings. Dave said we just need to pick one side, so no Parking on the North side.

2. Request to increase crossing time at the intersection of Main Street/West Street and Woodstock Avenue/Main Street crosswalks

Commander Prouty asked if we look at timing or does it have to go to the State. Jim Rotondo said he thinks we would have to have Lafaso take a look at it. Dave Sears mentioned that he's not sure there is a concern at this location. Commander Prouty doesn't see a need to change the crossing time at the Woodstock Avenue/Main Street location. He hasn't seen issues. Jim Rotondo stated that he will ask the Mayor who brought this to him, so we can talk with them about this.

3. Request to impose parking restrictions at Strongs Avenue/Royce Street in front of Greg's Auto with "No Parking Here to Corner" signs

Jim took a look at this. There is a sign there. He measured from the "no parking here to corner" sign. It's enough space for one vehicle. He feels it's a matter of enforcement. Dave Sears mentioned that there is room for one car there and the garage puts 4 there. Commander Prouty asked if it would help to stripe the no parking lines. Jim Rotondo said it would. We'll leave 1 legal spot. Commander Prouty stated that Chief Kilcullen was pushing toward taking this parking spot out. He also stated the Police officers will enforce the no parking here.

4. Request to place "No parking" signs on west side of Strongs Avenue where no designated parking currently exists

Commander Prouty took a look at this. You're looking at the green belt. Definitely necessary to place several "no parking" signs here.

5. Request to designate a handicap parking spot on east side of Merchants Row midblock between Washington Street and Center Street

Commander Prouty stated that maybe designating a spot right next to the crosswalk would make sense (near the barber shop). Jim Rotondo inquired as to who requested this. He mentioned we may get a push back from businesses near this location.

Old Business:

1. Request to place speed limit signs on Grove St. and Library Avenue, indicating it's a school zone

Commander Prouty met with Tara from the Building & Zoning department at City Hall and showed her the complete streets map around the Rutland Intermediate School. He is looking to have the Planning commission do a traffic study in regards to setting up a School zone, here. Would be looking to go out a block around the school starting from Williams Street and heading North to Crescent Street to include the streets in between, every direction. In a school zone, speed limit would be 25 mph. Jim mentioned that he needs to do sign inventory to see what they have in stock and what would need to be ordered.

2. Request to install a "Slow, Children playing" sign on Butterfly Avenue – Jackie Parizo

At last month's meeting, Jeff Wennberg had stated that he spoke with Jackie. This is a reasonable request. Commander Prouty had wondered if this has something to do with the construction that's been going on. He will contact Jackie to speak with her about this.

3. Request for no parking on one side of upper Edgerton Street – Scott Mangan

At last month's meeting, Commander Prouty asked if this is at the Dead end of the street. It is. Jeff Wennberg asked Dave Sears to take measurements of this section of the street to see if there is a concern for Emergency vehicles being able to get through and to report back to Jeff.

This section of Edgerton Street is 21 feet wide. Commander Prouty will ask Billy Lovett at the Rutland Fire Department to take measurements and photos of the Fire trucks trying to get through with parking as it currently stands, on both sides of the street.

Meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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