

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes of November 17, 2017

PRESENT: Chief Kilcullen, Commander Sheldon, Jim Rotondo, Jeffrey Wennberg, Dave Sears and Bradley LaFaso from LaFaso Electric

ABSENT: Gary Donahue

The meeting was called to order by Commander Sheldon at 13:00 Hours. Minutes from the October 20, 2017 meeting were accepted as written. Today's meeting Agenda was approved. No further discussion.

New Business:

1. Request to consider a 4-way stop at Burnham Avenue and Lincoln Avenue – Jeff Wennberg

Jeff Wennberg stated that the only stop is at Burnham Avenue, not Lincoln Avenue and that visibility is good here. Jim Rotondo stated that it looks flat and open. Chief Kilcullen and Commander Sheldon stated that we shouldn't need a 4 way stop, here. Nora will look for more incidents and if she doesn't find high numbers, we will leave this area as is. Geometry and visibility is good here.

2. Requests for signs or patrol for Killington Avenue – Dave Sears

Commander Sheldon suggested that we bring our speed cart to this location. It has recently been on Grove Street. Dave Sears indicated that he is hearing from people that cars are flying up through Killington Avenue, now. Chief Kilcullen stated that the Police department has something that can be mounted to a Street pole or utility pole temporarily and we will see if Officer Blongy can get it running. He doesn't recall if it is solar powered or AC powered, but we do have 1. If we have to buy more of these, he wouldn't oppose it.

Jeff Wennberg indicated that the sign board is working great. As an arrow board, you can see it very well. It truly is intended for the interstate. It is quite large, either 6X9 or 6X10.

Commander Sheldon indicated that we currently have two smaller ones but that the battery packs could be stolen, if we were to use them.

Jeff indicated that we had it at the bridge on Killington Avenue, when it was going to be closed. Commander Sheldon stated that we can't use it to advertise for a private event.

There was a brief discussion about the Vermont State Fair sign that advertises a business that isn't located there. An off premise sign is illegal if visible from a State 1 Highway. You can't have a sign advertising unless business is located there.

3. Request for a No parking Here to Corner sign on the SW corner of Park Avenue and Grove Street – Roger Toddt

Chief Kilcullen stated that he doesn't think there's a crosswalk at this location. A day when you park on the South side, it forces cars to park further down. As we receive requests, we should mark corner with a "No parking here to corner sign".

Dave Sears asked if it really was a problem. Chief Kilcullen stated that it could be. Dave will install a "No parking here to corner sign" at a location that is back 20 feet from the corner.

There was a brief discussion about the inventory of No parking signs. Jeff Wennberg stated that we have a stack of them.

Brad LaFaso mentioned that Buddy Miles stated that the No parking signs on St. John Street are faded and asked if we could put up new ones. Dave will have these put up. Jeff asked for him to add Temple Street, starting at Main Street. He would like the whole road taken care of.

Brad mentioned that we need to put a barrier back down on Park Street, off of South Main Street, near Clear Choice. Dave Sears will take care of this.

Old Business:

1. Edgerton Avenue

Photos were presented on the Dead End section of Edgerton Avenue at our meeting on October 20, 2017. This street is only 18 feet wide and the photos show that an Emergency vehicle cannot get through this section of the road as it currently stands, with parking on both sides.

Jeff asked if the committee wanted DPW to send notice to the homeowners that we're looking to address the parking issue. Chief Kilcullen responded with a Yes. Let's see what feedback we get and what their recommendations would be.

At our meeting on November 17, 2017, Jeff reported that he hadn't sent notice to the homeowners but will do it before our next meeting in December.

Other Old Business:

Request for parking meter to be replaced that was in front of 38 Wales Street – George Wilson

Dave Sears asked Ricky to take care of this. He's not sure of the status, but will check on it and make sure it gets done.

Parking complaints on Pierpoint Avenue

Pierpoint Avenue connects to Fairview Avenue, where the houses are located, heading North, past the school. Chief Kilcullen said to let's put "No parking" signs up, all the way to the corner.

Dave Sears reported that he put up "No parking" signs on Summer Street and he is working on doing signs on arm, from the light, downtown. Chief Kilcullen stated that the line painting looks good downtown.

Meeting adjourned at 13:37 hours.

Respectfully submitted by,
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