

**TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting Minutes of November 20, 2015**

PRESENT: James Rotondo & Commander Geno

GUESTS: Ron Hemenway & Jeff Schroeder

ABSENT: Brad Lafaso and Jeffrey Wennberg

The meeting was called to order by Commander Geno at 9:03 A.M. Minutes from October 16, 2015 meeting were accepted as written and today's meeting agenda was approved. No further discussion. All voted in favor.

New Business:

1. Parking on Library Avenue between Pine Street and Baxter Street – Officer Ashe

It was stated that we probably can't address this now but will need to address this in the Spring. People aren't leaving room for emergency vehicles.

2. Crosswalk at Mussey Street & Allen Street (near 69 Allen Street) – Ron Hemenway

Ron mentioned that he was at this location on Wednesday and there's a blind pedestrian crossing sign but no paint on the road to indicate a crosswalk. Commander Geno asked where the sign is located. Ron stated that it's about over 150 feet from the end of Mussey Street going toward railroad track on Allen Street. Jeff Schroeder mentioned that there's a blind gentleman that lives in the trailer park on Mussey Street. He crosses at the east entrance of the parking lot.

Ron asked if it would be reasonable to put a crosswalk there? Commander Geno mentioned that when considering a crosswalk, we try not to put any at mid block. We try to put them near a red light or stop intersection.

Ron also mentioned that you can't get to bus stop because there's no crosswalk or sidewalk. Ideally, it would be nice if the City put a sidewalk from the top of Allen Street to the bus stop at the Pines. Jeff Schroeder mentioned that he's here trying to get a bus stop at 69 Allen Street. He also mentioned that if he were to get off the bus at Mussey Street, he has to J-walk across or get off at the Pines and walk through prickier brush on that side of the road.

Commander Geno mentioned that we will need to revisit this in the Spring. Not sure who would be responsible for doing cut out. James Rotondo agreed with Commander Geno. We can't address this now, being that we are gearing up for Winter. Give us this Winter to work out details, then revisit this in April.

3. Other new business

No other new business was discussed.

## Old Business:

### 1. Other old business

Bus stop at 69 Allen Street – Jeffrey Schroeder

Commander Geno mentioned that he has done some site management at this location. James Rotondo mentioned that Jeff Wennberg was going to see if there's enough right of way. He also stated that it's dangerous to do this because of sight view. Safest thing would be if we were able to have a pull off for the Bus.

Commander Geno mentioned that a crosswalk at 69 Allen Street won't be able to happen with the traffic right there and the hill.

Ron asked when the Bus changes their route, do they have to go through the Police department? Commander Geno said no. He also mentioned that the Police department has had to ask them to move a Couple of their bus stops.

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### 2. Granger & Plain Street

James think we should put a crosswalk in at this location. There's painted lines for old crosswalk. Instead of signs to "Beware of pedestrians", let's put in a crosswalk and put two "pedestrian crossing ahead signs".

### 3. Sheldon Place

Ron mentioned that when people are driving on Sheldon Place, people don't pay attention to pedestrians or stop at the stop sign. Would it be appropriate to put speed bumps there? Commander Geno mentioned that we don't do speed bumps. We would rather see enforcement. Jim also mentioned that speed bumps aren't the best way to approach this. Commander Geno also mentioned that if they see cruisers, they will stop.

### 4. Jeff Schroeder mentioned that some stop lights are long. People don't want to wait. Commander Geno stated that the longest ones are 120 seconds.

To close out the meeting, Commander Geno asked if there were any other issues to discuss. No further issues were raised at this time. Meeting adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Records Clerk

Cc. Mayor  
Captain Tucker  
Lt. Geno  
Police Commission  
Board of Alderman  
City Clerk  
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