

HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
06/15/16

The Highway Safety Committee met on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 beginning at 9:00 AM at the Goffstown Police Department.

Members present: Public Works Director Adam Jacobs , Selectman Allen Brown, Chief Robert Browne, Chairman, and Town Planner Jonathan O'Rourke.

Not Present: Citizen Representative Ruth Gage

Citizen Present: Richard Lamy

Meeting opened: 09:03 AM

Meeting adjourned: 10:00 AM

1) Approval of Minutes:

Selectman Allen Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of 03/09/16 as electronically distributed.

Adam Jacobs second.

Motion approved with Chief Browne abstaining as he was not present at that meeting.

2) Richard Lamy
25 Davignon St

Request for a street light on Davignon St.

The Committee previously reviewed the investigating officer's report.

The Committee received input from Mr. Lamy. He advised he has lived on Davignon Street since 1951. He noted that all the side streets between Roosevelt and Pinard Streets have lights on every other pole. He lives on the dead end of Davignon St. He added that crime has increased and the neighbors are nervous at night. He advised that at night it is a dark wall when you look down his section of Davignon St. Mr. Lamy advised that drivers turn down his street thinking it is Laurier St and don't realize it's a

dead end until they see the barricade at the end of the street. This causes them to stop abruptly and turn around in either his driveway or his neighbors.

He asked that to be consistent with the other streets that a light be put up on his section.

Adam Jacobs stated that the LED conversion for the town has been completed. He stated that to add a fixture would cost about \$1,000 with the yearly cost of about \$75.00.

Chief Browne advised that a similar request had come in before this Board recently for Robin Drive. The Board did not recommend the light but recommended to the requestor that they purchase the light themselves.

Mr. Lamy stated that he is sure that the neighbors would pitch in the money for the purchase but wants the town to take over the annual cost and maintenance. He doesn't want worry about safety for \$1,000.

Adam Jacobs advised he will prep a light survey for the Board of Selectmen that looks at similar locations, gaps at intersection and lights between intersections. He will also call Eversource to get their normal cost for private purchase.

Chief Browne made a motion to deny the request to install a light on Davignon St but will mention to the Board of Selectmen that research will be done by the residents to purchase a street light with the town incurring the annual cost and maintenance.

Adam Jacobs second.

Adam Jacobs advised the motion should be a clean motion to deny.

Motion passes unanimously 4-0.

The second issue Mr. Lamy brought up was a dead end street sign.

Adam Jacobs stated that this Committee does entertain dead end street signs. With the discussion of this area, it was noted that there is a guard rail at the end of Davignon

Street which dictates the need for some kind of object marker, signage, or something reflective on the barricade itself.

Adam Jacobs motioned to have MUTCD end of the road signage and install a dead end street sign at the intersection of Davignon Street and Roosevelt Street.

Jonathan O'Rourke second.

Motion passes 4-0.

Adam Jacobs motioned to erect yellow dead end street signs at the corner of Edmond Street and Roosevelt Street also.

Selectman Brown second.

Motion passes 4-0.

3) Old Business:

Stop Sign Ordinance

Adam Jacobs advised that he is ready to submit the ordinance to the Board of Selectmen. He submitted to Chief Browne a list of stop signs currently installed and a list of HSC-suggested stop signs. These will be put into an addendum so that as signs are added there is no need for an additional ordinance.

Selectman Brown suggested a stop sign at Bog & Bell be added to the list.

Chief Browne will e-mail Sue Desruisseaux to see what the status is of the 3-way proposed stop sign at East Dunbarton and Black Brook.

Church Street Crosswalk

The Board of Selectmen sent back the issue of the crosswalk on Church Street to the Committee for further study. Chief Browne and Director Jacobs went back to the area. There is no concern with moving the Citizens Bank/Post Office crosswalk easterly, but they would rather recommend adding a third crosswalk at the town hall exit to the pocket next to Stark Hall. Chief Browne will draft a memo to the Board of Selectmen.

4) New Business: -

Police Ordered Temporary No Parking Signs

Chief Browne advised the Committee that he is putting forward an ordinance for the Board of Selectmen that deals with police ordered temporary no parking signs. They would be used at special events such as activities at St. Anselm College, for Normand Road during Little League season, etc.

Adam Jacobs suggested a check box be put on the event permit application form.

Chief Browne made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 AM.

Selectman Brown second.

Motion passes 4-0.

These minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting.

Next meeting is September 14, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Roberge
Executive Secretary