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MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 11, 2019 TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE Thursday July 11, 2019 9:00 AM Department of Public Works Engineering Conference Room 275 Old Lancaster Road

Minutes:

Meeting commenced at 9:01 AM

<u>Members Present:</u> Chief Scott Nix Chief John Whalen Director Dan Nason Director Adam Duchesneau

- 1. Request for Bicycle Safety Signs on Hudson Road as conveyed by Bruce Howard
 - a. Discussion is a continuation of Mr. Howard's previous request to have signage installed along Hudson Road relative to a bicyclist's ability to utilize the entire roadway. Others were present to support his initiative and/or understand the reluctance to do so better. Chief Nix feels the proposed sign could be confusing to motorist's and bicyclist's alike and is contrary to what the law requires. Additionally, the Committee noted it is necessary to consider the bigger picture to include the possibility for doing so on roads other than Hudson Road as well. Committee unanimously agreed to await the results of the Complete Streets Project as well as the Sign Survey to be conducted by the Department of Public Works.
- 2. Request for Disability Compliant Pedestrian Crossing on Boston Post Road at Union Avenue as conveyed by Bill Schineller on behalf of a visually impaired resident.
 - a. Discussed the intersection in question is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation whereby we have no authority over said intersection. Further noted, a request has been made some time ago with periodic inquiries with DOT to have a Pedestrian Crossing (Not fully Disability Compliant) to be installed. During the latest inquiry it was conveyed the intersections priority moved the project further up on the list but no specific time frame was given. Additionally, the challenges of the surrounding walkways ability to support such compliance is at issue.

- 3. Request for speed bumps on Goodman's Hill Road as requested by Joe Caloiero.
 - a. Committee continues to reinforce the intent not install speed bumps for a number of reasons.
- 4. A number of options offered to address safety concerns on Candy Hill Road as suggested by Jozef Sliwkowski.
 - a. Chief Nix explained he had the opportunity to speak with Mr. Sliwkowski regarding his numerous suggestions to improve safety on Candy Hill Road. Mr. Sliwkowski indicated he was satisfied with our conversation and welcomed the suggested periodic police presence.
- 5. Request for speed bumps on Powers Road as conveyed by Will Adams.
 - a. Committee continues to reinforce the intent not install speed bumps for a number of reasons which Chief Nix discussed with Mr. Adams via phone. It was also pointed out the accident which prompted his concerns was the result of solar glare and not speed. Sporadic traffic enforcement had already been directed and a traffic study was to be conducted.
- 6. Safety concerns in the Willis Road area as conveyed by Olivia Shanler.
 - a. Chief Nix attempted to follow up with Ms. Shanler prior to the meeting but was unsuccessful. Committee discussed the feasibility to install a crosswalk as requested but did not feel it meets the necessary parameters. Chief Nix to follow up with a review of the area as well as with Ms. Shanler.
- 7. Follow up on open items from previous meeting (12-13-18)
- 8. Administrative Report/New Business

10:53 AM Adjourned