

HOLLIS HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 23, 2018

Present were: Mark LeDoux, Paul Armstrong, Tom Bayrd, Joe Hoebeke, Jim Bélanger, and Becky Crowther

Guests were: Cathy Coe, Tom Dufresne, Paul Miller, Peter & Ellen Baker, Joe Garruba and Karen Bridgeo.

Upon motions by Mark and Paul, the Minutes of September 21, 2017 were unanimously accepted.

A brief discussion was held reference installation of a convex mirror at the intersection of Merrill Lane and Depot Road. Tom and/or Joe will follow up. Mark indicated the funds could come from the contingency budget. Also, the subject of the update for the Transportation Chapter of the Master Plan was tabled, as there were so many changes made by the Planning Board at their last meeting the subject is a moot point until we receive the updated copy.

Our guests spoke about the proposed athletic plan for the Siergiewicz land east of the intersection of South Merrimack Road and Witches Spring Road. We kept the comments to the safety aspects of the plan. The Board was then asked their opinions. The safety aspects of concern were, but not limited to, the unpaved and too small parking lot, traffic calming on South Merrimack Road, inability of the Ambulance to access far rear corners, the possibility of cars stopping on South Merrimack Road, and the intersection with Witches Spring Road. The result was a vote that the Hollis Highway Safety Committee voted against the plan as shown on page Q-2. 4 voted against the plan, none voted for it and there was 1 abstention.

Because next year Witches Spring Road is slated for rebuilding, Mark made a motion that Reggie Ouellette be directed to make the intersection with South Merrimack Road into a T-intersection. Paul Armstrong seconded and the vote was unanimous. A letter will be written to the Board of Selectmen indicating this action.

Mark & Tom made motions to adjourn, and the vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted

Rebecca B. Crowther