

Hollis Highway Safety Committee

Emended Minutes, May 7, 2018

Present were Tom Bayrd, Paul Armstrong, Don Ryder, Rick Towne, Joe Hoebeke, Mark LeDoux, Jim Belanger, and Becky Crowther. Guests were: Paul Miller and Jeff Peters.

The Minutes of February 23, 2018 were reviewed and after motions by Mark & Tom, unanimously accepted.

The mirror for Merrill Lane and Depot Road is being worked on.

The Transportation Chapter for the Master Plan update was tabled, as the latest update was received this afternoon.

The intersection of Witches Spring and South Merrimack was discussed. Eversource has agreed to move the pole and pile of dirt to the south. Reggie Ouellette will be directed to lay out 3 lanes (One Lane turning west onto Witches Spring Road, One Lane turning north onto South Merrimack Road, and a new lane turning south onto South Merrimack Road) and report back to us for signage and striping. This was followed by motions by Mark & Don, and the vote was unanimous.

The Lovering subdivision was discussed. It was unanimous that there was no Stop Sign needed. (Later that day, the BOS approved the name of James Way for the common driveway.) This vote was unanimous following motions by Paul & Joe.

Joe reported that after a discussion with Andy Corey, he has been studying the traffic problems in the School Zones during specific times of the school day. One possible solution was to change the timing of the flashing light. They will also introduce PSA's in the schools. Joe will further discuss with Andy.

Orchard Drive has the appropriate number of No Parking Signs. Upon a complaint, 4 warnings were issued and hopes are that the situation has been mitigated. The speed trailer has also been used on-site.

The guard rails on Shipley Drive have rotted. There are 152 feet of pressure treated timbers. Tom will get a copy of the Approved Subdivision plan to see if there are strictures from the Planning Board. We will entertain the subject at the next meeting.

Jim reported a tree at Adrien Lavoie's impedes sight distance in the area of Wheat Lane and Silver Lake Road, and that the intersection of Wheat Lane and South Merrimack Road also impedes sight distance.

Jeff Peters reported a problem of sight distance at the intersection of Rocky Pond Road and Deacon Lane. He had been laboring under the assumption that both of those roads were 50 foot rights-of-way. Instead, each, because of their ages, are 33 Feet (2 rods). The Board directed Tom to have Reggie verify and mark the bounds of the corner property before proceeding to deal with the trees.

Paul mentioned that many No Parking signs on the state roads have faded to the point of illegibility and requested that a letter be sent to DOT.

After motions by Don and Mark, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Crowther, Vice-Chair and Clerk