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TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 25, 2014

7:00 P.M.

AGENDA

- 1. Review and approve the Minutes of May 28, 2014.**
- 2. Review and Discussion – Old & New Business**
 - A. **Cutler Corner Road** – Review request from William Reese, resident at # 554, for request to lower speed limit from 35 MPH to 30 MPH.
Possible Action Item – Make a recommendation to Select Board regarding the proposed speed limit.
 - B. **Street Light Replacement Project** - Get an update from Harry on new light upgrade status from Green Mountain Power. Begin to review reinstatement list for conformance to street light criteria.
 - C. **Sterling Hill Road** _ Request from Linda Liese for advanced warning symbol sign to designate “Hidden Drive – Right” for residence at # 121 Sterling Hill Road.

Possible Action Item – Make a recommendation to Select Board regarding the signage near # 121 Sterling Hill Road.
 - D. **So. Barre access Road (Route 63)** – There has been a suggestion that the Town request VTRANS to consider putting rumble strips on the road center line for their safety program.
Possible Action Item – Make a recommendation to Select Board regarding the rumble strips on Route 63.
- 3. Other Business –**
 - A. **Miscellaneous – Discuss Spread sheet records for Tracking TSAC action items**
 - B. **Schedule items for July 16 meeting**

Adjourn

TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
June 25, 2014 7:00 P.M.
Minutes

Members present: Dan Newhall, Val Vallerand, William Kirby Paul White
Others present: Harry Hinrichsen Absent: Chauncey Liese

1. Review and approve the Minutes of May 28, 2014.

Acting Chair Dan Newhall asked for a motion to approve the minutes of May 28.

Motion: Paul White moved

Second: Val Vallerand

Motion passed unanimously

2. Review and Discussion – Old & New Business

A. Cutler Corner Road – TSAC reviewed a request from William Reese, resident at # 554, for a request to lower the speed limit from 35 MPH to 30 MPH.

Dan N. – Not to be negative but it may be premature to rush to reduce the speed limit before the paving project. Do we know for sure that the speed will be increasing? There isn't any real way to know.

Val V. - Thinking that it would be better to wait until we have a chance to see what the speed is this fall or even next spring.

Dan N. – When was the speed study done for High Risk Rural Roads? '08 or '09?

Val – Is there a consensus is to table the item?

Dan N. – Traffic calming after the paving would be great to think about

Motion – Table the item until after the paving project and a follow up speed study.

Made by: Paul White

Second: William Kirby

Motion passed unanimously

B. Street Light Replacement Project – TSAC got the latest update from Harry on progress for the new LED light upgrade status from Green Mountain Power. Harry Passed out a list of the 25 plus locations for new LED light locations in various areas of town. He suggested that it would be wise to begin reviewing the reinstatement list from residents for conformance to street light criteria.

Paul W. – How many LEDs need to be burned out before the light is defective and needs to be worked on? Is it 50%?

Harry – That is a good question that should be addressed to GMP.

C. Sterling Hill Road – TSAC reviewed a request from Linda Liese for advanced warning symbol sign to designate “Hidden Drive – Right” for residence at # 121 Sterling Hill Road.

Motion: Approve the request to recommend to the Select Board to add a Hidden Drive Right symbol sign (VW-054) approximately 250' uphill of #121 to be staked in the field by the Town Engineer. Include in the motion that the owners of the property at #121 Sterling Hill should be requested to trim their cedar hedge as well any other trees along the roadside that are on their frontage to aid in sight distance for their driveway.

Motion: Val Vallerand
Second: Paul White

Motion passed unanimously

D. So. Barre access Road (Route 63) – There has been a suggestion that the Town request VTRANS to consider putting rumble strips on the road center line for their safety program.

Paul White indicated that VTRANS isn't paving this section of road this season as far as anyone knows. They may consider doing the centerline rumble strips if and when they do the surface paving repairs in a year or so.

3. Other Business –

E. Miscellaneous – TSAC discussed returning to the spread sheet tracking records for Tracking TSAC action items. Harry indicated that this hasn't been done since before Kathy Felch left. He feels it is a good idea and will be gearing up to have the intern process the records to get the spread sheet process back in use.

Dan N.- Seasonal weather changes impact how fast and when the signs get put up.

Bill Kirby - mentioned possibility of using Spice Works as a means of processing a work order for the sign work.

F. Hill St. – Paul W. mentioned Harry should check into whether a higher grade reflectivity should be used for the Curve symbol sign.

G. Lower Graniteville Rd. –

Dan N. – There are two outcrops of ledge along the Bike Path across the street from the L. Graniteville Picnic Area that he feels create a mess as well as a potential hazard. They are both within the “clear zone”.

Motion: Recommend to the Select Board that the two ledge outcrops along the bike path be removed.

Motion: Val Vallerand
Second: William Kirby

Motion passed unanimously

H. Schedule items for July 16 meeting

4. Adjourn

Motion: Motion to adjourn by Bill Kirby @ 8:30 PM

Second: Val Vallerand

Motion passed unanimously