## **DERRY HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Minutes for December 15, 2016



COMMITTEE MEMBER	PRESENT	ABSENT
Scott Savard, Chairman		Х
Walter Deyo, Co-Chair	Х	
Ed Garone, Derry Police	Х	
Mike Gagnon, Derry Fire Dept.	Х	
Jane Simard, Derry School Dept.		Х
Randall Chase		Х
Denise Christoni		Х
Tom Landers		Х
Vacant		
Alan Côté, DPW	Х	
David Kelley (School Dept Alt)	Х	
George Feole (Police Alt)		
Scott Jackson (Fire Alt)		
Mike Fowler (DPW Alt)		

A monthly meeting of the Derry Highway Safety Committee was held Thursday, December 15, 2016 at the Derry Municipal Building Center. Meeting was called to order at 9:20 am.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mike Gagnon made a motion to approve the November 17, 2016 minutes as presented. Seconded by Alan Cote MOTION PASSED (4 - 0 - 1) Ed Garone abstained.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

### Allie Janis - Drew Rd - Speeding - North Shore end

Alan Cote mentioned that the applicant has requested that a stop sign or speed bump be placed at the bottom of the hill in front of their home. He mentioned that the Committee follows the MUTCD Federal Guidelines that state stop signs are not meant to control speeds. The Committee doesn't endorse placing speed bumps as they cause other issues. There has been two (2) traffic studies recently performed on Drew Rd The Town has been monitoring the situation out on Drew Rd.

Ed Garone was not sure what else could be done. Residents need to contact the Police Department with the dates/times that they observe motorists speeding. That way we can ensure that there is a Police presence in the area.

Alan Cote made a motion to send a letter explaining that the Town is surveying the situation. Seconded by Ed Garone Motion PASSED (5 -0)

#### Update - Robin Bordenaro - Fog Lines on Secondary Roads - Postcards

Per the Derry Town Council's request postcard were sent out to all the residents living on the proposed secondary roads requesting their input as to whether they wanted fog & center lines, only fog lines or no lines.

The results were as follows:

- 75 Wanted Fog & Centerlines
- 70 Wanted NO Lines
- 55 Wanted Fog Lines ONLY
- 42 Postcards were returned as undeliverable
- 5 Wanted Center Lines Only

This information will be forwarded to the Derry Town Council for their consideration. No further action was taken by the Highway Safety Committee.

# 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church – Brook St – Crosswalk

Xeson Leon sent a letter to the Highway Safety Committee requesting a crosswalk be installed in front of 7 Brook St to allow for their parishioners to access their parking lot across the street. Services are held on Saturday's between 9am to 1pm, which is the same time that the Transfer Station is open.

Alan Cote had a concern with placing a crosswalk mid-block as motorists are accustom to seeing crosswalks at intersections.

Mike Gagnon felt it would not be a safe decision to go with a crosswalk as it would give the parishioners a false sense of security.

Alan Cote suggested that they put out a portable sign during church hours. Motorists would see something different and take notice. Another suggestion would be to have someone act as a crossing guard.

Ed Garone agrees that a portable sign may be effective, but the best thing they can do is remind their parishioners to watch for motorists. He also mentioned that motorists do not have to stop for people crossing unless they was an officer or crossing guard.

No action taken by the Committee – Discussion only

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Alan Cote made a motion to adjourn at 9:45am. Seconded by Ed Garone MOTION PASSED (5 – 0)

Next Meeting is Thursday – January 19, 2017 Respectfully, *Sharon Jensen*