

DERRY HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minutes for July 21, 2016



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

A monthly meeting of the Derry Highway Safety Committee was held Thursday, July 21, 2016 at the Derry Municipal Building Center. Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

Approval of Minutes

John Potucek made a motion to accept the minutes of June 16, 2016 as presented. Ed Garone seconded.

Motion passed. (5 – 0 - 1) Jane Simard abstained.

OLD BUSINESS

Brad Russell – E Broadway – Crosswalk Concern Update



Alan Cote had the Highway Crew paint “Stop Look Wave” on the crosswalks along East and West Broadway. So far the Town has received positive feedback on the enhancement.

The Lighting Study has come back to the Town and we will be relocating lights along East and West Broadway at four (4) crosswalks to improve pedestrian crossing at night. Pricing to relocate the lights has not been determined yet.

Alan Cote has contacted the Police Department to see if there could be some form of education that could be provided in the school system with regards to crossing streets safely.

Jane Simard stated that she would be willing to forward the information to the various schools.

Philip Hooke – Drew Rd – Speed limit sign or Slow Children Sign

Alan Cote had the Highway Division reinstall the speed limit sign at the entrance to Drew Rd. A Traffic Study was done and forwarded to the Police Department as the 85% percentiles of motorists were traveling at speeds of 53 mph.

Ed Garone asked Alan Cote to explain the traffic study what the report is saying when it refers to Mean, Median, 85% and 95% speeds.

John Potucek provided additional examples to the group of the difference between Mean and Median.

Randy Chase stated that he could verify that the speed limit sign was reinstalled.

Ed Garone stated that the average speed was 45-49 mph when they were running police radar.

Tom Landers made a motion to send a letter to Mr. Hooke stating what had been done to address his concern.

Seconded by John P Potucek

MOTIONS PASSED (6-0)

Robin Bordenaro – Fog lines on Secondary Roads

Alan Cote provided a list of roads that would meet the guidelines to have center and fog lines to be reviewed.

John Potucek questioned if it would be cheaper to install single center lines versus double center lines and what was the difference between the two.

Randy Chase stated that a single center line would mean that neither motorist coming or going would be able to pass another vehicle going in the same direction.

Alan explained that all the roads recommended on the list were considered rural curvy roads. He added that every few years someone suggests we consider striping various roads in Town.

Walter felt fog lines would be acceptable as both young and old have issues seeing the edge of pavement at night due to oncoming traffic and/or rain and fog conditions.

Jane Simard noticed that Drew Rd was on the list and questioned if striping the road would be another way to reduce the traffic speed on that road.

Alan Cote responded by saying that striping and curbing have a calming effect on motorists and it usually slows down the traffic speed. As an example he stated that East Gate Rd was 24' wide but when you get to the curbing the road appear narrower and motorists slow down.

Ed Garone asked Alan Cote if he had the documentation that was used to consider the benefits of striping roads.

Alan Cote remembered the document, however would need to look for it.

Committee TABLED DISCUSSION to the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

OTHER BUSINESS

Alan Cote made a Motion to adjourn.
Seconded by Randy Chase
MOTION PASSED (7 – 0)

Next Meeting is Thursday – August 18, 2016
Respectfully,
Sharon Jensen