

**TOWN OF HINGHAM
TRAFFIC COMMITTEE**

Police Chief Glenn A. Olsson, Chairman
Sgt. David Horte, Representative for Chief Glenn Olsson
Capt. William Powers, Representative for Chief Robert Olsson
Harry Sylvester, Engineering/DPW
William Ramsey, Planning Board
Francis Donlan
Richard Wehter

TO: Board of Selectmen
FROM: Chief Glenn Olsson
RE: Minutes of May 23, 2018 Traffic Committee Meeting
DATE: May 24, 2018

PRESENT: Sgt. Robert Mansfield, Hingham Police Department
Harry Sylvester, Engineering/Hingham DPW
Thomas Molinari, Engineering/Hingham DPW
William Ramsey, Hingham Planning Board
Richard Wehter
Francis Donlan

Sgt. Horte called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

A motion was made by Harry Sylvester, seconded by Richard Wehter to accept the minutes of the of the previous meeting on 3/14/18 followed by a unanimous vote in favor.

1. Request for sign at Conditto and Langlee Roads

Rory Volpe of Sarah Way requested that a sign be installed at Conditto and Langlee roads to inform drivers that it is not a through way or to be used for commercial traffic. Harbor House and Allerton House are nearby and the neighborhoods deal with a large amount of cut through traffic. Rory Volpe went to both facilities to ask that their employees and delivery people avoid using their neighborhood as a cut through and was told that there would be signs placed in the building about this. There wasn't any noticeable reduction in cars or delivery trucks as a result though. Bill Ramsey wondered if a sign was warranted for the amount of traffic flow. Harry Sylvester said that a sign is only as good as the enforcement of it. An unapproved sign cannot be posted so Harry Sylvester suggested that Sgt. Mansfield check with the Town Clerk for the origins of a similar sign that is now at Tupelo and Conditto Road. Bill Ramsey made a motion to table the request pending obtaining the necessary information from the Town Clerk which resulted in a unanimous vote in favor.

2. Request for crosswalk at Thaxter Street and Bradley Park Drive

Kristin Niemi of Harborview Drive requested that a crosswalk be installed on Thaxter Street at

Bradley Park Drive as it is dangerous not to have a crosswalk for all of the neighborhood kids as well as residents of the neighborhood. It would greatly improve safety for walkers and runners. Bill Ramsey said that he would wholeheartedly support the installation of a crosswalk to benefit families and pedestrians. Harry Sylvester said that he needs to review the sight lines (300 ft. visibility is needed). There would have to be a landing zone on either side as well. Harry Sylvester made a motion to review the area and address the issue at the next meeting. All voted in favor of this motion.

Fort Hill Street resident Ray Estes brought up the issue (not on tonight's agenda) which had been discussed in the past of the matter of traffic on Fort Hill Street and the middle school bus stop which is across the street from his house. Mr. Estes was instructed to email Sgt. Mansfield with his request in order to get on the agenda for an upcoming meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Jacobson, Administrative Assistant