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TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

May 15, 2019

7:00 P.M.

6:15 P.M. - Site Visit to Casanova Street to review “No Parking” request

1. Review and approve the Minutes of January 23, 2019

Review any new items for addition before taking up any business.

2. Review and Discussion –

- **Casanova Street TH#** - Consider resident request for “No Parking” signs to be posted from corner of Church Hill Rd. and near gate into Town Forest. **Possible Action Item**
 - **Daniels Dr. TH # 128 & Rudd Farm Rd. TH # 129** – Consider a request from Jim Fecteau to post the westerly end of both roads (Richardson Rd. end) with 25 MPH speed limit signs. **Possible Action Item**
 - **Middle Road** – Review status of truck signage. Review previous recommendations and existing signage. (See attached Newsletter article from October 2018 meeting). If Barre Town Police Dept. unavailable to attend in person, include their comments regarding the situation. **Possible Action Item**
- 3. Other Business –**
- **New Business** – Consider any specific sign item requests or CVRPC traffic studies, etc. for the coming summer season.
 - **Other** – Review member status for coming year 2019-2020. Make recommendations, if any, for consideration as new member candidates.

4. Adjourn

TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes

May 15, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Chauncey Liese, Jeff Blow, William Kirby, Shaun Corbett

Members Absent: Val Vallerand

Other Present: Carl Rogers, Harry Hinrichsen, Alicia Fielder, P.E.

Review any items for addition to the agenda before taking up any business.

Alicia Fielder, P.E. from Malone Properties was present to discuss the matter of installing a future crosswalk on Pitman Road between the buildings of Vt. Creamery (#20 & #40 Pitman Rd.) and #29 Pitman Rd. – This item was added to the agenda by consensus of the Committee.

1. Review and approve the Minutes of January 23, 2019

Motion: Approve the minutes of the January 23, 2019 meeting as written and submitted.

Made By: Shaun Corbett

Seconded By: Jeff Blow

Approved Unanimously

2. Review and Discussion –

- **Pitman Road – TH # 186** – Request by Alicia Fielder, P.E. on behalf of Malone Properties to provide a crosswalk on Pitman Rd. for employees of Vt. Creamery accessing the parking lot at #29 Pitman Rd.

Alicia explained the proposal was to eventually allow for a pedestrian crossing on Pitman Rd. Safety is a consideration by Land of Lakes (the new owner of VT Creamery). There would be a 7-year lease option with 2 additional terms by VT Creamery; the work will be done in three phases. Phase 3 is the merging of the two VT creamery buildings.

A sidewalk is part of Phase 3. The ditch crossing will have accessibility at 20 Pitman Rd. The road crossing will need to be maintained. A blinking warning beacon could be put in on a warning post. The post would be regulated by dimming it in the evening and having a push button on either side of the road. The applicant would pay for installation and maintenance of the beacon.

VT Creamery made this request of Malone Properties .

Chauncey Liese: The issues were maintained by the town and the crosswalk painted. The additional employees would increase tax revenue.

Jeff Blow: If the crossing counts are too low for a beacon light. Could the landings and crossings be done first? I'm concerned about the additional request.

Alicia Fielder: We should encourage pedestrian safety with the signal. We could remove the existing pedestrian advisory signs. Push button remotes for the beacons with would get both sides going simultaneously.

Chauncey Liese: Car traffic is busiest at shift changes. I agree that the crossing is a good idea, but the beacon is a stumbling block. VT Creamery is concerned about pedestrian safety. They have deliveries at night.

Alicia Fielder: The beacon should be activated by a push button on a straight timer.

Jeff Blow: If this is approved by S.B., how soon would it happen? If VT Creamery is leasing spaces what components would they need? Even if we install the beacon, there is a low threshold at crosswalks, would more beacons and taxes be required?

Jeff Blow: I recommend the plan as submitted by 5/7/19 without the installation of the beacons.

William Kirby: Land of Lakes needs to pay for beacon.

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William Kirby: As planned, Land of Lakes will pay for initial install of paint, signs and beacon.

Seconded by Jeff Blow

Unanimously accepted

Carl Rogers: I have a request for lifting the "No Parking" along the full length of Pitman Rd. The "No Parking" never changed. The pedestrian sign is placed on the first "No Parking" sign existing.

William Kirby: I recommend a repeal of "No Parking."

Seconded by Jeff Blow

Approved Unanimously

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Chauncey Liese: There is no "No Outlet" sign. The road is oddly shaped; the width of the pavement is approximately 15'-16'. We should have "No

Parking” along the edge of the road by the utility pole and in front of Bergeron’s house as well. We should have a “Parking Available at 44 Brook St.” for the public sign.

Jeff Blow: Motion for “No Parking” signs from street light pole to gate.
Seconded by William Kirby Approved Unanimously

Shaun Corbett: There is parking available at 44 Brook St. by the Town Forest.

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We will wait until the road is built and come back to this.
No action

- **Middle Road** – Review status of truck signage. Review previous recommendations and existing signage. (See attached Newsletter article from October 2018 meeting). If Barre Town Police Dept. unavailable to attend in person, include their comments regarding the situation. **Possible Action Item**

Have loops installed on Middle Rd. Hill by end of the month.

We should put flags on the “No Trucks” sign to make them more visible.

From Graniteville Rd. to Middle Rd., there should be a “No Trucks” sign and a “Left Turn” only sign.

Jeff Blow: This applies to box trailers that are 53’ long.

5. Other Business –

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