

Warner Highway Safety Committee

Meeting Minutes Tuesday, July 3, 2018 UNAPPROVED

Chairman Chief Chandler opened the meeting at 10:00 am

Attendance: Police Chief Bill Chandler – Chairman, Fire Chief Ed Raymond, DPW Tim Allen and EMD Ed Mical

Others in Attendance: Town Administrator Jim Bingham and Tim Blagden

1. Pleasant Pond Rd:

Chief Chandler explained that Monique Proulx and Suzanne Folsom, who reside on Pleasant Pond Road, attended a Board of Selectmen meeting on May 22, 2018 regarding safety on Pleasant Pond Road. They raised concerns relating to the beach area, children and vehicular traffic.

Chief Chandler advised the committee that he and Chief Raymond subsequently met with concerned residents of Pleasant Pond Road, including Monique Proulx and Suzanne Folsom, on June 19, 2018. The residents requested that the town consider placing safety related signs in the area before and after the beach area.

Chief Chandler advised that currently, there are no signs of that nature in the area. Chief Chandler recommended that a florescent green and black sign reading “SLOW CHILDREN PLAYING 20 MPH” be placed north of the beach as well as south of the beach at the intersection of Pleasant Pond Road and Clement Hill Road. He also recommended that two florescent green and black “SLOW” signs be placed on the corner south of the beach facing both directions.

Jim Bingham suggested that a “BEACH” sign be attached to the bottom of the “SLOW CHILDREN PLAYING 20 MPH” sign. The committee concurred.

Ed Mical made a motion to accept the above recommendation for sign placement. Chief Raymond seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

2. Jake-Brake Use on Main Street:

Christine Perkins sent an email to Chief Chandler concerning commercial Jake-Brake use east-bound in the area 64 west Main Street. Mrs. Perkins advised that it was primarily logging trucks and can start before 6:00 am in the morning. She also explained that she had spoken to other neighbors in the area and they agree that the Jake-Braking was noisy, disturbing and not necessary.

Tim Allen explained that he was aware that some towns do have signs posted prohibiting the use of Jake-Braking in certain areas.

Chief Chandler reminded the committee that Main Street is a state road and would require additional research.

Jim Bingham advised that he would further research the issue with the state.

3. Intersection of Newmarket Road, Melvin Road and Collins Road:

Chief Chandler advised that he had received a concern from Tim Allen regarding no traffic control signs at the intersection and recommended that the committee consider the placement of a “STOP” sign being placed on Newmarket Road as well as Collins Road at the intersection.

Chief Raymond made a motion for the placement of the “STOP” signs as recommended. Ed Mical seconded the motion, passed unanimously.

4. East End Old Main Street:

Chief Raymond wanted to discuss the possibility of making Old Main Street on the eastern most end of town a one-way enter only. Chief Raymond explained the dangers of exiting onto Main Street due to the sharp corner and lack of visibility when attempting to do so.

After some discussion, Jim Bingham recommended that this should be brought to the Board of Selectmen for further discussion.

5. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 10:42 am