TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 2, 2023

The Traffic Safety Committee meeting of Monday, October 2, 2023, was called to order by Vice-Chairman Paul Peddle at 5:30 p.m. in the Moose Hill Meeting Room at the Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Rd, Londonderry NH.

PRESENT: Town Manager Michael Malaguti, Engineering and Environmental Services Director John Trottier, Police Chief Kim Bernard, Police Deputy Chief Jason Breen, Vice-Chairman Paul Peddle, and Town Councilor Chad Franz, and Public Works Director David Wholly.

ABSENT: Chairman Robert Ramsay, Fire Chief Bo Butler, and School Superintendent Daniel Black

PUBLIC PRESENT / SIGNED IN

Lee Hayes – Granite Street Amy Karvielis – Pillsbury Road Robert LeBreux – Hall Road Deb Paul – Hardy Road Kristine Perez – Wesley Drive

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Director Trottier to accept minutes of July 17, 2023, meeting. Seconded by Town Manager Malaguti 4-0-1 (Councilor Franz recused himself)

Motion made by Director Trottier to accept minutes of 2024 Meeting Dates Seconded by Councilor Franz 5-0-0

OLD BUSINESS

Belgian Way - Intersection of Route 102 (Nashua Road) @ Old Nashua Road — Director Trottier advised the committee that he has been working with the developer regarding a traffic study for this intersection. Concern is vehicles traveling on Nashua Road and passing on the right of vehicles stopped to take lefts onto Young or Old Nashua Roads and the potential for T-bone accidents. This similar situation exists at the intersection of Nashua Road & Parmenter Road, Nashua Road & Old Nashua / High Range Roads. It was concluded while Nashua Road is a State road, drivers need to be cognizant of this situation at all intersections everywhere.

Motion made by Director Trottier to remove this matter from the agenda. Seconded by Councilor Franz 5-0-0

<u>Mammoth Road (Village)</u> – Director Trottier advised the committee the road will be striped in the Fall of 2023. Mr. Lebreux advised the committee that it appears that some of the stripping performed last year may not have had sufficient reflective material in the paint making it harder to see. Director Trottier indicated the Vendor will be reminded of last year's inadequacies.

Motion made by Town Manager Malaguti to remove this matter from the agenda as the Town Council will be addressing the issue regarding installing a gate.

Seconded by Councilor Franz

5-0-0

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Pillsbury Road</u> –Mrs. Karvielis presented her concerns regarding Pillsbury Road by her residence. There have been a few accidents in the past and vehicles are on her lawn. Her family and neighbors would like guard rails to protect their homes and children from these vehicles. Director Trottier advised the committee that guard rails are put up to protect motorists from going off the road into hazards such as ravines, swamps / open water, bridge piers, retaining walls, fixed objects and the list goes on. This location does not warrant the installation of guard rail. Existing home was remodeled circa 2003 / 2004 and used the same footprint of the previous home which is within 32-feet of the existing pavement, approximately 25-feet off the property line. Current setbacks would require the home to be 40-feet off the front property line, placing the home at 47-feet off the edge of pavement.

Chief Bernard advised the committee that the police have increased their presence in the area.

Motion made by Director Trottier to remove this matter from the agenda.

Seconded by Councilor Franz

4-1-0 (Town Manager Malaguti opposed, feels there may be other alternatives)

<u>LAFA Fields</u> – Director Trottier advised he is waiting to hear back from Mike Campo. He will be replacing some of the signage, recommendations are slow traffic, crosswalks and implementing seasonal speed bumps. He advised the committee that he will investigate costs for these speed bumps. Chief Bernard advised that some of the members of the committee had done a walk through with Mr. Campo, and patrols had been assigned to the area.

<u>Kendall Pond Road</u> – Resident requesting to be heard not present.

Motion made by Town Manager Malaguti to remove this issue from the agenda.

Seconded by Director Trottier

5-0-0

Winding Pond Road – Resident requesting to be heard not present. Chief Bernard advised the committee that direct patrols have been and continue to be done in the area. Motion made by Town Manager Malaguti to remove this issue from the agenda. Seconded by Councilor Franz 5-0-0

<u>Meeting Dates</u> – Deb Paul suggested to the committee to change meetings from quarterly to perhaps bimonthly to allow for all the many requests presented to the committee. Town Manager Malaguti advised her that this can be discussed with the board as there is no definitive schedule.

Route 102 (Winding Pond Road to I-93 section) – Kristine Perez questioned the committee regarding 96+ units being built on Pillsbury Road and another 100+ across the street from those. The impact the additional vehicles would have on Route 102.

Town Manager Malaguti advised the committee that developers and builders must present traffic studies when presenting these developments. At this time both developers have been instructed to present full traffic studies to the planning board for their review. Discussion followed regarding the number of developments being built where traffic is going to impact Route 102.

The State has widened the road and implemented lane changes. Until the full traffic studies have been conducted the town does not have any data to address these concerns.

Deb Paul suggested that a liaison to the planning board be part of this committee or vice versa for communication of these types of issues.

Kendallwood Community – Mr. Hayes presented his information to the committee regarding speeding vehicles using the area as a cut through. Requested the speed limit be lowered to 15 mph for this area.

He presented numbers to the committee regarding the number of vehicles passing through on Boulder Drive in a specified period. Chief Bernard advised the committee that direct patrols have been done and continue to be so as time and manpower allows. A speed / traffic study must be done before the speed limit can be changed.

Motion made by Town Manager Malaguti for feasibility of a speed / traffic study to be made. Seconded by Chief Bernard 4-0-1 (Councilor Franz – abstained)

ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chairman Peddle adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: January 8, 2024 @ 5:30 p.m.

Notes by:	Suzanne J. Hebert	Date:	October 2, 2023
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