

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Wakefield Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**August 23, 2019**

Members Present:

Chief Skory, Lt. Anderson, S. Maio, J. Conway, W. Renault,  
M. Kealey, J. Kennedy, P. Reavis, D. Benjamin & M. Luca

Meeting brought to order by Chief Skory at 8:05 AM

Lt. Anderson introduced to the TAC and public audience as the incoming TAC Chairman.

**ITEM 1 | Intersection Improvements Lowell St. & Salem St.**

Resident complained of traffic at the Prime gas station & Slice Pizza, trucks parking on curbs around gas station blocking sight lines.

Resident of Alyssa Drive pointed out that solar glare is a factor. Also complained about the asphalt curbing on Lowell Street near her property.

W. Renault stated there is a plan to replace some of the curbing in the area.

Chief Skory stated there was a plan being worked on for crosswalks on Lowell Street and Salem Street near the gas station.

Town Councilor Peter May asked if there should be no parking around gas station.

J. Kennedy stated the signs must read "No Stopping, No Standing".

M. Kealey (VHB) spoke of the geometry and speed of the intersection. There needs to be a modification to create more of a T-type intersection.

Councilor Paul DiNocco asked about raised intersections. VHB states they only work in standard 4-way type intersections.

J. Kennedy suggested a raised island on Lowell St. at Salem St.

P. Reavis asked about guardrails near Slice/Prime Gas.

J. Kennedy stated guard rails are costly versus the benefit.

**ITEM 2 | 259 & 267 Water St. 16 Unit Development Traffic Study**

Presented by Attorney McGrail & John Ogren from Hayes Engineering.

16 2-bedroom unit project at this site

Report is that the project will not generate increase in trip generation

No option for driveway to DelCarmine, which is a private way. There are no deeded rights.

M. Kealey and J. Kennedy looking for full speed study and sight distances.

M. Kealey agrees this will have a low traffic generation but wants a full speed study and measured sight distance.

P. Reavis and M. Luca expressed concern about sight distance from the driveway and speed of vehicles on Water St.

J. Ogren to provide updated speed study and sight distances.

**ITEM 3 | Crosswalk Request Prospect St.**

Request from resident of Prospect St. for an addition of a crosswalk on Prospect St. and the intersection of Sheffield Road or Summit Ave.

There is an existing crosswalk at the intersection of Prospect Street/Morrison Ave. and Sheffield Road.

TAC agrees that the existing sidewalk should be repainted with signage added rather than install a new crosswalk.

**ITEM 4 | Possible One-Way & Parking Restrictions – Little Vernon St.**

Tabled to a future meeting.

**ITEM 5 | Signage Request Herbert St.**

Letter from residents of Bennett Street requesting “No Parking here to Corner” signs where the street intersects with Bennett Street as well as updated street signs indicating the house numbers on Herbert St. as the street is a split street.

TAC agrees. That “No Parking here to Corner” signs be installed on the west and east sides of Herbert Street where it intersects with Bennett Street. One sign across from 15B Herbert Street and the other at the southern side of the driveway to 68 Bennett St.

TAC agrees a new street sign should be installed for Herbert Street on the Bennett Street side that indicates house numbers 15-27.

TAC agrees a new street sign should be installed for Herbert St. on the Hart Street side that indicates the house numbers 39-42.

**ITEM 6 | Crosswalk Request North Ave. near WMGLD & Hall Park**

J. Kennedy suggested crosswalk at Lakeside Ave and North Ave.  
TAC agrees.

**ITEM 7 | Signage Request Grafton St.**

Request from resident for “No Parking here to Corner” sign on south side of Grafton St. at the intersection of Main Street.

TAC recommends the signs be installed on both sides, 20 feet from the intersection of Main St.

**ITEM 8 | Parking Restrictions Otis St.**

2 hour parking/north side. Tabled to a future meeting.

**ITEM 9 | Signage Request Summer St. Don't Block Intersection Box/Sign**

M. Kealey suggests not using the painted box or sign at this intersection as the traffic volume does not call for it.

TAC agrees with M. Kealey's suggestion.  
Request denied.

Meeting Adjourned by Chief Skory at 10:21 AM.

Next meeting date: TBD (November)