

Meeting Minutes
Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting
June 14th, 2019

Members Present: Chief Skory, S. Maio, W. Reault, M. Kealey, P. Reavis, D. Benjamin, Captain Paul Pronco

- Meeting brought to order at 0801hrs by Chief Skory

1. Request from resident of Garden Lane for crosswalk

- Resident of Garden Lane is requesting a crosswalk from Garden Lane across Lowell Street to the Prime gas station.
- Willy Dunbar (owner of Willow Tree) attended meeting and expressed need for crosswalk across from Salem Street in the area of his business.
- Dunbar also reports the need for signage that prohibits stopping and standing on the sidewalks around the Prime gas station as large cement trucks and passenger cars are parking on the sidewalk
- It was agreed that Chief Skory and M. Kealey would conduct a site visit following the TAC meeting.
- Site visit was conducted and M. Kealey will be writing up a recommendation for the TAC that will include a crosswalk from Garden Lane to the Prime property as well as a crosswalk on Salem Street to the rear of the Prime Property

2. Common Street (one-way)

- Request from Town Council to evaluate the feasibility of making Common Street a one-way street

- It was agreed upon by all members of the TAC that making Common Street a one-way Street (southbound) from Church Street to Lafayette was beneficial.
- W. Reault suggested a stop sign for southbound Common Street traffic at the intersection with Lafayette Street, this was echoed by M. Kealey.
- W Reault also suggests eliminating the yellow line in the roadway so there is no confusion
- Captain Pronco states the Fire Dept has no objection to this change.
- S. Maio suggests two handicapped parking spaces. One on Common Street adjacent to the upper common and the other on the south side of Lafayette Street near the intersection with Common Street.
- All TAC members present were in agreement with this recommendation

3. Main Street Parking (627 Main Street)

- Town Council had raised the issue of traffic congestion in the area of 627 Main Street in the early commuting hours due to vehicles entering/exiting Dunkin Donuts and vehicles parking on the west side of Main Street.
- Vehicles travelling southbound can't proceed when a vehicle is making a left turn into Dunkin Donuts and there is a vehicle parked on the west side of Main Street.
- It was agreed to prohibit parking in front of 627 Main Street between certain morning hours to allow for the free flow of traffic
- It was recommended that to solve this problem, parking in front of 627 Main Street be prohibited between the hours of 6am to

10am, which is the same time restriction put in place in the area of 894 Main Street.

4. Chestnut Street/Cedar Street (No Parking Here to Corner)

- TAC received a request from the resident of 66 Chestnut Street to put “No Parking Here To Corner” signs on all four corners of the Chestnut Street/Cedar Street intersection.
- This intersection is a four-way stop
- We recently recommended posting these signs at all four corners of the Chestnut Street/Emerson Street intersection which is also a four-way stop
- It was agreed by all TAC members present to have this signage installed.

5. Richardson Ave pavement markings

- Dan Benjamin requests painted arrows on Richardson Ave near Main Street to stress the direction of traffic for motorists
- Dan states vehicles often travel in the wrong direction on Richardson Ave to access Farmland
- Dan also requests parking stalls be painted on the north side of Richardson Ave between Foster Street and Main Street. He states the parking areas are unclear and vehicles often partially block the driveway to 10 Foster Street.
- W. Reault states the DPW will address this issue when the line painters come to town.

Meeting adjourned at 0930hrs