



TOWN OF NATICK

Meeting Notice

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Safety Committee

Natick Police Department

Date: September 27, 2011 Time: 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of the June 28, 2011 Safety Committee Minutes

Pedestrian Crosswalk Safety on South Main Street, near Hometown Paint. The installation of a bump out was discussed, but could pose a problem with drainage constraints and parking space elimination related to the standard pedestrian cross walk signs which would need to be constructed. This issue was TABLED in order to allow further investigation regarding cost and necessity of the bump out.

Liberty Street: Lt. Lauzon and Mr. Hladick were asked to check this area to see if the signs are at the proper height and type. Rte 135 (Wellesley Avenue) Northwest corner signs are not in compliance.

Natick Federal Bank: There are no pedestrian crosswalk signs on Main Street at South Avenue to the bank. The committee will look at this issue to determine if crosswalk signs can be put up to advise motorists of the pedestrian crosswalk in advance. This issue was TABLED to evaluate the necessity for the installation of bump outs. DPW will surface paint the crosswalks. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Natick Center Associates, Inc. Recommendations. At Natick Center Associates Merchants Council meeting on June 30, 2011 Chief Hicks suggested to council that they submit safety concerns to Safety Committee for consideration. July 18 received letter from Natick Center Associates, Inc with the following recommendations (ATTACHMENT 1)

1. Assignment and enforcement of a 20 mph speed limit in Natick Center
2. Overall crosswalk safety – placing of small reflective signs saying “State Law Must stop for Pedestrians in Crosswalks”.
3. Illegal maneuvers by vehicles particularly on Main Street should be ticketed.
4. Many cars do not come to a full stop but proceed through stop sign without checking for other vehicles at location of South Avenue and Washington street four way stop.
5. Could street lights be installed at corner of South Main and Pond Street.

Lawn Service Vehicles Parking on Streets. Request received that Safety Committee look into and offer course of action. (ATTACHMENT 2)

Request to replace No Parking Signs on East Central Street Sergeant Mark St. Hilaire emailed a request that the Safety Committee address with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation that the No Parking signs that were removed when road was rebuilt several years ago be replaced. No Parking signs need to be posted from Linden Square to Wellesley Town Line to alleviate evening and overnight parking from Morse's Tavern and the condo complex. (ATTACHMENT 3)

Request for 3 Three Way Stop Signs on Winter Street. Susan Kehoe resident of 17 Winter Street is requesting 3 three way stop signs be placed at the following intersections:
(ATTACHMENT 4)

1. Winter Street and Nancy Drive
2. Winter Street and Frost Street
3. Winter Street and Rathbun Road

Request for Cross Walk Union Street and Arrow Path. NPS School bus does not enter Algonquin Drive for Natick High School students. The Designated bus stop for Natick High School Students who live on Algonquin Drive is on Union Street at the entrance to Arrow Path. Students must cross Union Street to reach the bus at the entrance to Arrow Path.
(ATTACHMENT 5)

Request SLOW CHILDREN sign be installed in front of 1 Centre Street. In addition remove a NO PARKING sign that was installed in the 70's to deter businesses using the streets to park. Problem has resolved over the years and sign no longer necessary. (ATTACHMENT 6)

Install Dead End sign at the intersection of Rice and North Street. Increase in traffic volume due to misconception that it is a "cut through" between North and Marion Street.
(ATTACHMENT 7)

Safety Hazards on Walnut Street. Resident voicing concerns of rate of speed and illegally parked vehicles on Walnut Street. Requesting that North Ave to be made into a two way street from Walnut to Route 27. (ATTACHMENT 8)

Parking Restrictions on Wahington Street. Resident wrote with a concern of change in parking enforcement on Washington Street. (ATTACHMENT 9)

STOP Signs Intersection Oak Street North & Rte 9

Ken Barber Requesting Commuter Parking Restriction be placed at Home Avenue

