



Town of Natick

Minutes

Board or Committee: SAFETY COMMITTEE

Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 8, 2020

Meeting Location: NATICK POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY ROOM

Members and Staff Present: Chief Hicks, Chief Lentini, Lt. Lauzon, Alan Grady, Tom Hladick, Jeremy Marsette, Patricia Paine, Joe Weiss

Members not Present: James Freas, Peter Gray, Dave Gusmini

The meeting was called to order at: 10:14 AM

Minutes from the February 18, 2020 Meeting were reviewed and approved.

Meeting Motions/Actions and Summary of Discussions:

OLD BUSINESS:

Resident request to make Palmer Avenue a one way street. TABLE Pending Neighborhood Meeting.

Resident request to address safety concerns on entering and exiting driveway at 25 Hartford Street. Committee VOTED to have discussions with MassDOT to determine a solution to allow resident to safely enter and exit driveway.

Request for 2 hour Parking Restriction Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM on the following streets: TABLE pending further review.

- Church Street , Lincoln Street, Wilson Street, Grant Street

Request by Town Engineer to discuss design and construction options for Walnut Street Bacon Street Intersection. TABLE pending updates from Town Engineer as project progresses.

Resident Request to address lack of lighting on Main Street at intersection of South Ave very difficult to see pedestrians in crosswalks. Committee VOTED to approve work as proposed by DPW Director Marsette to add light on existing South Ave to shine on crosswalk from Middlesex Ave from Mutual One Bank to Auto Repair Shop..

Request for additional street lights between 13 and 19 Bunker Lane Committee Voted this is a safety issue related issue recommend put on radar for Capital Project.

Request to address traffic concerns and speed enforcement on Speen Street. TABLE Natick Police Department to continue enforcement in area will also undergo speed study in an effort to identify volume, time, speed and direction of traffic.

Request that Natick Public School Parking Lots be added to the Traffic Rules and Orders Committee Voted to Recommend to Board of Selectmen to accept Natick High School lots, Mahan and Memorial Field upper lot, Wilson Middle School, Kennedy Middle School, Bennett Hemenway, Brown, Johnson and Memorial Schools to the Town of Natick Traffic Rules and Orders.

Natick High School

Committee Voted to restrict parking to marked spaces only at Faculty, Student lots during school hours from 6:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Resident Request to address pedestrian safety at the intersection of West Street and Oakland Streets. TABLE pending evaluation of entire intersection.

Resident Request to remove dead Pine tree on Pinewood Avenue Committee VOTED TO TAKE NO ACTION.

NEW BUSINESS:

Road projects/coronavirus pandemic Resident request to put all roadway projects on hold, for a minimum of 6 months, for residents who are elderly, disabled, or have respiratory or other health issues and are in the high-risk category and are confined to their homes. Roads would remain completely accessible for emergency personnel, family, and residence. Committee VOTED to TAKE NO ACTION.

Minutes submitted by: Marylee E. Watkins

Meeting adjourned at: 11:33

Next Meeting Date: TBD