

SWAMPSCOTT TRAFFIC STUDY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING LOCATION: Virtual Meeting

Thursday, January 13, 2022
10:00 a.m.

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT:</u>	Gino Cresta, Marzie Galazka, Disability Commission Representative, Kable, Marci Benson, Linda Hayes (Chair), Todd Pierce
<u>MEMBERS ABSENT:</u>	Michael Ariely, Graham Archer
<u>OTHERS PRESENT:</u>	Kristen Barricelli, Ryan Hale, Terry Lorber, Niyati Shah
<u>MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:</u>	Linda Hayes called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.
<u>1. INTRODUCTIONS</u>	
<u>2. PUBLIC COMMENTS</u>	<p>Kristen Barricelli (Puritan Road) joined the meeting with a question about the jersey barriers at the corner of Atlantic and Humphrey. M. Galazka said that they were taken down for winter plowing. They will most likely be reinstalled in April. K. Barricelli asked that the website be updated as to accurately list the members of the Traffic Study Advisory Committee. Ryan Hale (Paradise Road) asked about data being pulled from statistics on Paradise Road. M. Galazka welcomed his suggestions. TSAC will take this up once more information is available. R. Hall is asking the town to share safety data about Paradise Road over the last five years, and the town's plans for improving safety. M. Galazka mentioned that while comparative data will be helpful, it may be difficult to obtain. This topic will be considered for the agenda for next month. K. Barricelli mentioned that she has unsuccessfully sought such data in the past. T. Pierce said he would do his best to try to find the requested data. Terry Lorber (Forest Avenue) reiterated</p>

	<p>that he found the traffic barriers helpful, and would like to see them at Atlantic and Humphrey. M. Galazka is working to obtain additional funding from Safe Routes to School.</p>
<p>3. NEW BUSINESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>Request for “no turnaround” sign for Humphrey Terrace</u> b. <u>Request for crosswalks on Stetson and intersection of Franklin and Barnstable</u> c. <u>Traffic calming and parking on Franklin avenue</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>request for one way traffic analysis</u> 2. <u>Request for resident parking only</u> 3. <u>Request to redesign traffic island</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. M. Galazka said she had many requests for a “no turnaround” sign for Humphrey Terrace. Motion to place a sign at Humphrey Terrace and Humphrey was unanimously approved. G. Cresta then joined the meeting and expressed concern that it would make for too many signs. Motion is being reconsidered until further information can be uncovered. b. G. Cresta discussed request for crosswalks at Stetson and intersection of Franklin and Barnstable. G. Cresta pointed out that all new crosswalks need a cutout to make them ADA compliant. M. Galazka will inform the inquiring resident that this work will be completed in the spring. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agenda item added: M. moved and L. Hayes seconded a motion to approve minutes from 12/9/21 meeting. Minutes from previous meetings will be updated on town website. c. Traffic calming measures were discussed. G. Cresta stated that a redesign of traffic island on Franklin could be helpful. M. Galazka suggested a study of the area to make these determinations. There is a business under new ownership that is in the area. Employees are prohibited from parking on Franklin Avenue. M. Galazka will check back with the resident who raised the concern. Will be an agenda item for next month.
<p>4. OLD BUSINESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>Report and update from SPD re: enforcement of speed and traffic violations</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. M. Galazka asked if this data can be shared regularly. T. Pierce said he would try to regularly update. M. Galazka suggested quarterly would be helpful. T. Pierce said there are 7-8 different signs collecting data in various locations around town. T. Pierce noted that this

<p>b. <u>Essex Street traffic flow/request for sidewalks and street narrowing (Danvers Road to Loring Ave segment)</u></p> <p>c. <u>Update on handicap parking sign installation, removal and referrals</u></p>	<p>data collection is very labor intensive. T. Pierce said his impression is that the data is within the national average. T. Pierce will report quarterly with the first report scheduled for April 2022.</p> <p>b. Chief Archer has developed a draft of a proposal, and T. Pierce is doing additional research. The goal is to develop a clear process for considering speed bumps and other traffic calming measures. Tabled until next meeting.</p> <p>c. M. Galazka has developed an annual renewal process for handicap parking signage. These are being mailed.</p>
<p><u>5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE</u></p>	<p>L. Hayes asked for an update on approved items from last meeting. One item (signage) has been completed, and the other, which needs to be completed, needs to go before the Select Board: signage in front of the library for 15 minute parking and a three month trial at Middlesex of “no parking.” L. Hayes reported that the Library Board of Trustees were not in favor of the time-limited signage. M. Galazka will remove this item from consideration.</p> <p>L. Hayes asked about signs of Burpee, Essex and Burrill Street. They seem to be working because there is less speeding in that area.</p>
<p><u>Closing:</u></p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 10:58 p.m.</p>
<p><u>Next regular meeting:</u></p>	<p>February 3, 2022</p>

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Schultz