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CITY OF MARLBOROUGH TRAFFIC COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA FOR TUESDAY AUGUST 26, 2014

1) MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

2) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Communication from Councilor Irish, re: No parking signs on Harrison Place; weight and dimension restrictions on West Hill Rd.
- b) Plymouth St. parking restrictions.
- c) Tractor trailer traffic on Concord Rd.
- d) Request for deer crossing warning sign on Elm St.

3) OLD BUSINESS

- a) Municipal off street parking regulation.
- b) High School parking regulations.
- c) Stop signs on Bigelow St.
- d) Traffic Commission rules and regulations update.
- e) Communication from Kraft Tire & Auto regarding Brigham/Maple/Walker St. intersection.
- f) Communication from Mayor's office, re: Feasability of making entire length of Hayden St. one-way.
- g) 413-417 South St. blind driveway
- h) Extension of parking restriction on Hosmer St. near Memorial Beach.
- i) Parking issues on Liberty St.
- j) Request for right turn lane at 445 Simarano Dr.

Mark F. Leonard
Chairman

Mark Leonard

From: City Council
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 7:54 AM
To: Mark Leonard
Subject: From Councilor Irish - Harrison Pl / West Hill Rd signage

-----Original Message-----

From: John Irish [mailto:jirish3@msn.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2014 9:55 PM
To: City Council
Subject: Harrison Pl / West Hill Rd signage

Please forward to Chief Leonard
Thank you.

Good morning Chief Leonard,
I have two requests for the Traffic Commission.
1) Add additional (no parking at any time signs) for Harrison Place .
2) Add (weight and dimension restrictions signs) for West Hill Rd.
To prevent the use of large commercial trailer trucks and buses.

I appreciate any assistance in regards to this matter.
Thank you.
John Irish
Ward 5 City Cuncilor

Sent from my iPhone

Mark Leonard

From: Evan Pilachowski
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 11:05 AM
To: Mark Leonard
Cc: John Ghiloni; Lisa Thomas; James Fortin; Tim Collins
Subject: RE: Plymouth St

Mark,

Can you please add the issue of no parking signs on the eastern end of Plymouth to the agenda for the next Traffic Commission meeting?

Thank you,

Evan

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From: James Fortin
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2014 11:01 AM
To: Evan Pilachowski
Cc: Mark Leonard; John Ghiloni; Lisa Thomas
Subject: RE: Plymouth St

Evan,

I do not have an issue with the 18 ft, providing there is no parking on both sides of the street.

From: Evan Pilachowski
Sent: Tuesday, August 05, 2014 4:11 PM
To: James Fortin
Subject: Plymouth St

Jim,

Attached is a sketch of Plymouth St where we are reconstructing it. On the dead end section, we're shifting the road alignment into the road layout. By doing so, we're impacting the green space on the north end of the road where there are relatively steep grades. In order to minimize impacts, we'd like to reduce the width of this section of road to 18 feet. It only serves two houses and there is no possibility to expand the road in the future. Do you have any concerns with this?

Thanks,

Evan

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Mark Leonard

From: Mark Leonard
Sent: Wednesday, July 30, 2014 9:15 AM
To: Ron Ayotte
Cc: James Fortin
Subject: RE: Tractor traler traffic on Concird Road

Deputy Ayotte,

Chief Fortin did bring this up briefly at yesterday's Traffic Commission meeting, and it does not seem likely that we would be able to get a commercial vehicle exclusion on Concord Rd. Commercial vehicle exclusions have to be approved by MassDot, even restrictions on local roadways. To be approved, they must meet certain criteria, including a certain number of trucks per hour. We have tried to get truck exclusions on roads that carry several trucks per day, but they do not trip the numbers necessary for a truck exclusion – it is doubtful that the truck traffic on Concord Rd. would trip the numbers necessary to consider an exclusion. There is also a requirement that if the designated detour route that re-directs the truck traffic from the restricted road includes roadways in another community (Hudson) the other community must also approve the detour route. Since a detour route for Concord Rd. would likely involve sending trucks into Hudson, it is highly unlikely that Hudson would approve a truck detour route that is going to put more trucks on their roadways.

So, in the brief discussion yesterday, the belief was that a truck exclusion on Concord Rd. is highly unlikely. I can put this item officially on the agenda for the August meeting if you would like, and that would most likely result in the DPW doing a truck count. If the count does not meet the criteria, then we would not be able to pursue the exclusion.

Sincerely,

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From: Ron Ayotte
Sent: Tuesday, July 29, 2014 10:00 AM
To: Mark Leonard
Cc: James Fortin
Subject: Tractor traler traffic on Concird Road

Chief Leonard: Would it be possible to bring up a weight restriction for vehicles on Concord Road, like the 2.5 ton restriction on Farm Road at next month's Traffic Commission meeting?

The reason I am asking is that I have noticed an increase of traffic with tractor trailer units using Concord Road as a short cut to get to the industrial park on Hudson's Parmenter Road (our Hemenway Street extension). I live off of Concord Road and I have seen it firsthand.

Of course, local deliveries should be allowed.

Thanks in advance!

Ron Ayotte