TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING JULY 19, 2021

The Traffic Safety Committee meeting of Monday, July 19, 2021 was called to order at 5:32 p.m. in the Moose Hill Meeting Room at the Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Rd, Londonderry NH.

PRESENT: Chairman Robert Ramsay, Public Works Director John Trottier, Chief William Hart, Captain Kim Bernard, Battalion Chief Fred Heinrich representing Fire Chief Darren O'Brien, Town Manager Kevin Smith and Member-At-Large Paul Peddle.

ABSENT: Town Councilor James Butler (Non-Public Town Council Meeting), and School Superintendent Scott Laliberte.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Robert LeBreux – Hall Road Deb Paul – Hardy Road Brian Mead – Mammoth Road Renee Kelly – Mammoth Road Steve Kelly – Mammoth Road

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Chief Hart to accept meeting of May 3, 2021 minutes Seconded by Public Works Director Trottier 6-0-0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

<u>Town Wide 30 mph Limit</u> – Chairman Ramsay asked that a motion be made to go before the Town Council and ask that this matter be placed on the ballot for March 2022, reducing the speed limit to 30 mph town wide.

Motion made by Chief Hart to bring this matter to the Town Council. Seconded by At-Large-Member Peddle 6-1-0

Discussion followed regarding what road would be impacted by this change. Chief Hart advised the committee that the general public should be educated and made aware of the impact. There was mention made that the posted signs say "30 MPH unless indicated", this means in residential areas posted at 20 and 25 mph, these roads would not be affected by the new town wide speed limit.

Captain Bernard advised that most of the statistics collected by the Police Department have had an average of 5 to 10 mph over the speed limit. There are approximately 20 roads in town at 35 mph and the department is still working on collecting data on all of them. A road that has been in question is Litchfield Road, he indicated the speed is consistent with traffic data collected in the past few years. Information will be provided to the Town Council for their recommendations.

<u>Perkins & Bartley Hill Road</u> – Public Works Director Trottier advised the committee the stop sign_and stop ahead signs were changed and "Stop Ahead" was painted on Bartley Hill Road. Matter can be taken off the agenda.

5:45 PM – Town Manager Smith and Town Councilor Deb Paul have left for a Town Council Meeting.

<u>Hall Road / Litchfield Road</u> – Mr. LeBreux of Hall Road advised the committee of the trucking issue in the area. Public Works Director Trottier advised the committee that signs will need to be replaced to indicate the limit of no greater than 3 axles, 6 wheelers exempt for "no thru trucking".

Chief Hart advised the committee that Captain Cheetham has been working with Trooper Burke and Mr. Nichols of DriveWyze Corporation. The company would like to come and give the committee a demonstration of what their company has developed in respect to a GPS software program for truck drivers to avoid "No thru trucking" areas with GEO Fencing.

Chief Hart made a motion to table this issue to the January 2022 meeting, and contact will be made with the company to schedule a demonstration.

Seconded by Public Works Director Trottier
6-0-0

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Old Derry & Manter Mill Roads</u> – Discussion followed regarding this intersection and the speeding traffic on Old Derry Road.

Motion made by Chief Hart to table this item to October 4, 2021. Seconded by Captain Bernard 6-0-0

<u>Page & Mammoth Roads</u> – Residents in attendance to discuss this intersection. Captain Bernard presented the committee with statistics for this intersection of 14 accidents in the last 3 years with 3 being classified as accidents, the other 11 were "non-accidents". Resident concern is the traffic going south on Mammoth Road, at times passing other cars and speeding to the intersection. Discussion including putting up gates, making a one-way.

Chief Hart suggested a sub-committee be created to assess this intersection which has been a concern of the committee for a number of years. To look into options and suggest changes. Captain Bernard advised that officers would increase patrol in the area especially during peak hours.

Motion made by Chief Hart to table this matter to the October meeting. Seconded by Captain Bernard 6-0-0

<u>Sargent Road – LAFA Fields</u> – Captain Bernard advised the committee that officers have been patrolling the area, although school has let out, young adults are still in the area loitering and getting together. Motion made by Chief Hart to table this matter to the January 2022 meeting. Seconded by Public Works Director Trottier 6-0-0

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Ramsay adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Next Meeting is: October 4, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

Notes by: Suzanne J. Hebert Date: July 19, 2021

Minutes typed by: Suzanne J. Hebert Date: July 20, 2021

Approved: <u>Traffic Safety Committee</u> Date: <u>October 4, 2021</u>