

Traffic Roadway Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2018

Committee Members Present: DPW Director Ray Tattersall, Selectman Chairman Larry Gomez, Fire Chief John Schilling, and Police Chief Dan Hanavan

Meeting Called to Order by Ray Tattersall at 2:59pm

Approval of meeting minutes from February 21, 2018:

Motion made by John Schilling to accept, 2nd Dan Hanavan, all in favor.

Removal of inbound stop sign @ Greenwood & Main:

Already took the one out going out to West Chop and it's been asked that we take that one out too. Melinda requested because people are taking that hard left onto Greenwood, not stopping and everyone coming inbound isn't aware that they don't have to stop anymore. It was put in for the wrong reasons – not the proper use of a stop sign in that location – tried to get removed 2 years ago. So the recommendation for that one is to remove to make a complete throughway.

Motion made by Dan Hanavan to accept, 2nd John Schilling, all in favor.

Will be sent to BOS for their next agenda

New stop sign @ William & Spring:

What we are doing here is what was done wrongfully at Greenwood & Main.

One way street, should be using a yield sign at that corner. We should have a crosswalk at that corner but can't just put one in. We have to do a study for the crosswalk and it isn't a proper ADA - would have to upgrade – also, the historical district.

Recommendation to BOS would be for a yield.

Dan Hanavan: Doesn't exceed 6000 vehicles a day, there isn't a restricted view and we haven't had more than 3 crashes. We just voted to remove this at Greenwood & Main.

Ray: Using the yield as an indicator that there are potential pedestrians there without an official crosswalk.

Larry: Pedestrian signs . . .

Dan Hanavan: This would go on the right side?

Ray: Yes. Enough of a notice that it's a pedestrian area.

Next Step: Make recommendation to the BOS on what our update is.

VTA STOP BRACKETS: Looking to put these by their bus stops to teach their drivers where they should be stopping so they are not killing the whole grass strip. Installing at HS this weekend. Oak Bluffs and Edgartown have approved to put them wherever they need them.

MUNICIPAL SPOTS AT VTA TURNAROUND: 1st 3 spots in.

Will need passes to put in window to give to people going off Island.

Dan Hanavan: Pass should be given out and returned with voucher.

Ray: But others towns use it as well – blue plate but some without.

Commission did not have any survey data on school hours traffic from previous meeting.

Motion to adjourn Larry Gomez, 2nd John Schilling, all in favor.

Next Meeting: April 18, 2018 @ 3:00PM – DPW Conference Room

