

Traffic Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
Harwich Police Station
October 18, 2016

Meeting called to order at 10:15 AM by Chairman Beltis

Members present – Jerry Beltis, Lt Kevin Considine , Bob Cafarelli, Link Hooper

Others in Attendance – David Guillemette, Harwich Police Chief

Accepted minutes of previous meeting - None

Old Business – None

New Business –

- Stop bars and the lack of attention they have been receiving town wide was discussed. Efforts between the DPW and PD to assemble a list of sites that need repainting will be worked out. Of particular concern was Lover's Lane, which was agreed to be painted soon.
- Chatham Road and Lover's Lane sightlines were discussed. The consensus was that the DPW and PD have improved sightlines as much as possible at this site and is currently working to get a double pole removed.
- Depot Road / Main Street intersection sightline to stop sign heading north – A hedge is obstructing the stop sign and stop sign is faded. Will contact homeowner to trim and replace the stop sign. The DPW will also engage their tree contractor to trim the hedge above what can be reached by hand.
- Freeman Street / Route 28 sight line were discussed. Efforts have been made to keep the hedges in both directions trimmed but may not be adequate. PD and DPW will take a further look at it and address if needed.
- Route 39 / Pleasant Bay Road intersection was discussed at length. The Town Administrator has held several public meetings where support appears to be building for a roundabout to be funded in FY 19 through a dedicated article. In the short term the DPW has marked 4 trees for removal by the tree company and is working with homeowners to remove other vegetation to improve sightlines. The DPW will also remove and reinstall signage as recommended in the Intersection Safety Audit. The DPW will also begin the process of moving poles in preparation of a roundabout.

Closed the meeting at 11:30 AM

Respectfully submitted by

Link Hooper, Clerk

approved @ meeting of 3/9/17