2019Traffic Safety Committee

Minutes for June 19, 2019

Called to order 10:05 am by Chair Beltis

Members present: Jerry Beltis, Aram Goshgarian, Lincoln Hooper, Linda Cebula, Jerry Scannell , Griffin Ryder

Others present: Patti Smith, Gaylene Heppe, Chief Guillemette, Charleen Greenhailgh

Note: minutes follow order of posted agenda

2.Hooper motioned and Scannell seconded to approve the minutes for 11/20/2018

in favor 5-0-1 ( Ryder)

3. Correspondence-none for this meeting- none

4. Old Business Review/discussion on draft crosswalk policy

a. Intersection at Chatham Road and Route 39 is not moving forward at this time. Costs estimated to be 100,000: will need capital plan application this fall as well as a permanent easement article for town meeting. Hooper noted with the rejection by the voters of the 700,000 for road maintenance, he will not be able to do this out of Chapter 90 funds.

Hooper and Ryder will review and do applications/articles for next town meeting.

b. Pleasant/Miles /South Eversource on tap to move the pole (subsequent to this meeting, an additional pole has been placed by Eversource ). The entire project would remove the slip lane and widen the other side to be better access for 2 cars to pass. Small monument stone would be moved.

Hooper to review the Miles/Pleasant intersection, move yield sign closer to the intersection, and add some markings ( shark’s teeth) to Miles.

c. Route 39 and Pleasant Bay- work done to date has reduced vehicle accidents. Hooper waiting to do drainage etc when the road area comes up on the schedule for repairs

d. Traffic Calming- discussion on not allowing speed bumps on town roads, both Fire and Police departments would like to see no speed bumps. Need to develop a draft policy with what would and would not be allowed, issues of structural road changes, etc.

5. New Business

a. Chapter 90 funds, for FY 2020 680 000

DPW applies to BOS who vote to sent to Mass DOT ( Department of Transportation).

For use on public roads only, no parking lots or private roads. Reimbursement grant.

b. Cebula to get copy and information for next meeting

c. Bike Crossing Signage- After discussion, motion to support the Depot Road site made by Hooper, second by Goshgarian , in favor 5 abstain 1. Request will be made for a 5 year plan.

d. Speed/Radar signage- Chief Guillemette noted that there is funds for portable radar signs. There is an endless list of areas with speed issues during the summer.

e. Route28/Neel road- Mass DOT has been requested to review this area. Difficult to take a left, line of sight issues re hill. Note that this is a state road and town cannot make changes.

f. Mandatory inclusion of sidewalks on town projects- Discussion on the construction at Fire station 2 in East Harwich- Apparently cannot make sidewalk corrections/creations through the construction process. Committee will discuss further to gain a better understanding of this.

Note very expensive, 2.5 miles of sidewalk is approx. 1,000,000 to do according to the rules.

g. Resident letter regarding sidewalks/crosswalks on Route 28 ( Heppe). Area around the bumper boats, trampoline business. A & W. Discussion on Route 28 is a state road and town cannot make changes,. Mass DOT has been asked to look at this previously and little action.

Adjournment 11:45 am

Minutes by Linda Cebula, Clerk Minute approved 9/18/2019