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Town of Mansfield
Traffic Authority
Minutes of the Meeting, September 28, 2010

Present: Hart, Hultgren, Meitzler, Padick

The minutes of the August 24, 2010 meeting were reviewed and no corrections made.

Pedestrian awareness campaign – no progress, UConn's Parking Advisory Committee has not met yet this semester.

Clover Mill Road/195 alternate bus stop location – no progress

Speed limit changes on Cedar Swamp Road north of 195 – Hultgren reported that since it had been several months since he had referred this to DOT, and they were essentially stymied by the 20 MPH speed hump zone that took up the majority of the road's length, he went ahead and changed the 30 MPH signs to 25 MPH, since that was the Traffic Authority's recommendation.

Closed circuit TV cameras at the Mansfield Rd/195 signals – no progress, Hart will discuss this with UConn Police Administrators in future meetings.

North and South Eagleville Road walkway projects – The North Eagleville Road project is stalled as there appears to be no legal means for UConn to be able to pay the Town to construct this project for it. The project will resume in the future as a UConn project and be submitted for state DEP wetlands permits. The South Eagleville Road project was not funded this year by the STEAP grant program. Staff will follow up to determine what changes may be required for submittal in next year's round of funding.

Update of bicycle/pedestrian facility priority listing – the Transportation Advisory Committee has reworked this listing and it will be forwarded to the Traffic Authority at a future meeting.

Bicycle Mapping project – no progress. A new Engineering Student Intern will be hired shortly and assigned to help complete this project.

Hillside Circle area no parking sign request – to be monitored this fall semester for the scope of the reported problem. No action taken.

No Parking Request on Baxter Road – this request was discussed and members agreed to view this situation to determine the need for additional signage in the area. The problem is apparently on the weekends, not during the week.

Speed Control Request – Bone Mill Road – referred to the Engineering office for a traffic count and speed range report in the area of 198 Bone Mill.

Speed & Cut Through Traffic Complaint – Elizabeth Road – referred to Engineering for an update on traffic volume and speeds. A related request for increased sight distance at the corner of Elizabeth and Hickory will be referred to DPW operations.

Sight Distance Complaint – Jackson Lane and Bedlam Road Intersection – Meitzler reported that sight distance to the right (coming out of Jackson Lane) was limited but may be difficult to improve due to the utility installations (pole, box) on this slope. The matter was referred to DPW operations to look at the feasibility of cutting back the bank to improve sight distance here.

Dog Lane improvement plans (Storrs Center Project) – Traffic Authority members were in the process of reviewing the Preliminary Design plans and sending their comments to Hultgren to be included with other comments from the Town staff and transmitted to the consultant. A public information meeting on these and the Storrs Center preliminary design plans will be held in late October.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Lon Hultgren
Director of Public Works