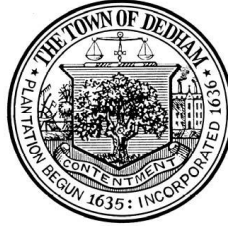


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MEETING MINUTES
Remote participation via ZOOM
Tuesday, August 11, 2020 – 7 PM.

Present: James Antonizick, Vice Chairman
Charlie Packer, member
Dimitria Sullivan, BOS
Jason Mammone, P.E., Director of Engineering
Joseph Flanagan, Dir. Public Works
Michael D'Entremont – Chief of Police

Absent: John Bethoney, Chairman , Daniel O'Neil, member

Mr. Antonizick open the meeting at 7:00 PM

Agenda Item # 1 – Traffic Calming Request #2020-001, Wentworth Street: Kylie Calzone (Applicant)

Mr. Antonizick asked Mr. Mammone to provide a summary of the request. After review of the application Mr. Mammone determined that it does meet the criteria to proceed to the next step of an Initial Evaluation. Mr. Mammone recommends TAC approval for Initial Evaluation but to hold off until the spring of 2021 until such time the MWRA construction on Rustcraft Rd / Central Ave is complete. This will allow an accurate representation of traffic in the area one construction and related detours are no longer active.

Mr Antonizick opened comment and questions.

Kylie Calzone of 49 Wentworth St- stated that the main issue is the speeding. People are walking and biking and the high speed of vehicles puts all in danger. She asked if there was a date certain for the completion of the MWRA work and if any temporary measures could be utilized such as speed humps, (like the ones on Central Ave) to slow down the traffic.

Mr. Mammone is confident the MWRA project will be complete by spring of 2021. The speed humps on Central are not the property of the Town of Dedham and have been placed by the MWRA.

Melissa Lange of 40 Wentworth St – shared similar concerns about speed and asked if the Town could possibly place temporary speed humps. Mr. Mammone suggested waiting until the Initial Evaluation is conducted but perhaps a “your speed” sign could be placed and deferred to the Chief.

Chuck Jenest of 50 Wentworth St – Has lived on Wentworth St since 2000 and the speeding has gotten worse over the last 20 years. He walks 2 dogs everyday and is nearly run down all the time. He is very concerned about the safety of the residents. He stated the area came together to show the TAC how serious the matter is and hopes for a solution before someone is hurt.

Steve Mackey of 39 Wentworth St -wanted to reiterate the immediate need for a solution and asked if a police presence would be helpful until the Initial Evaluation can be conducted.

Josh Donati of 99 Wentworth St – mentioned vehicles on the top of the hill on Fairbanks Rd come speeding down and a police presence would be helpful.

Mr Mammone suggested residents park their cars on the street as a way to reduce the speed and asked Chief D’Entermont about a police presence. The Chief stated a “your speed” sign was placed on the street June 19th for 10 days and the data showed 826 vehicles at an average speed of 29.6 MPH. The Chief stated he will direct officers to be a presence in the area of Fairbanks Rd and can place another “your speed” sign in the area.

Kylie Calzone of 49 Wentworth St- asked if an Initial Evaluation can be conducted now and then another one in the Fall of 2021 when the MWRA work is complete.

Mr. Mammone does not recommend an Initial Evaluation now as it will not provide an accurate picture of the traffic concerns due to the on – going construction and detours.

Mr Antonizick opened to members comments – being none - a motion was sought to approve an Initial Evaluation to be conducted in the Spring of 2021 – Dimitria Sullivan motion, 2nd Charlie Packer - Unanimously accepted by a roll call vote.

Mr Mammone will keep in contact with the applicant and residents going forward and encouraged them to reach out to him with any concerns.

Approval of Meeting Minutes 2/11/2020

Mr. Antonizick tabled the vote until such time as we have enough voting members present.

Old/New Business

Next meeting date will be September 8th. Dimitria asked about meeting start times – Jason mentioned Meetings usually start at 7:00 PM but can be adjusted to 6:30 if needed.

Jim Antonizick welcomed Dimitria Sullivan as the newest member representing the BOS.

Motion to adjourn at 7:35 Charlie Packer, 2nd Dimitria Sullicvan UA by roll call vote.