

Town of Arlington

Transportation Advisory Committee

Minutes of 4/8/15, 7:15 pm to 9:30 pm, Town Hall 2nd floor conference room.

Minutes submitted by Jeff Maxtutis.

Members and Associates Present: Wayne Chouinard, Cary Conrad, Seth Federspiel, Melissa Laube, Jeff Maxtutis, Marjorie Moores, Howard Muise Corey Rateau,

Missing Members and Associates, John Hurd, Jeanette Rebecchi, Victor Rivas Scott Smith, Laura Wiener

Members of the Public Present: Mustafa Varoglu

1. Public Comments. Mustafa Varoglu (26 Shawnee Rd). Brackett School parking issues. Two sides of parked traffic. Traffic backs to water tower. Motorists making u-turns. Principal suggested prohibiting parking on Eastern Ave, east of school XW on school (south) side for morning drop-off period (7:30-8:15 +/-AM). TAC suggested that request be sent to BoS.
2. Administration. Minutes of 3/11/15 meeting were approved unanimously. Correspondence and handouts were reviewed.
3. Town Reports.
 - a. Wayne: 2015 Prelim Road Project List, Curb/Walk Ramp Project, Mass Ave Project, CLAMP bids received – low \$1.6M, traffic signal issues, blind resident uses mid-block Mass Ave High School ped crossing – look to add audible warnings. MassDOT Winter Recovery Assistance Program - \$118,129. Mystic/Summer intersection needs signal improvement. Mill Brook Bridge on Mystic may need replacing.
 - b. Corey investigating recent crashes. Met with AAA school program for safety patrols. Trying to start training in some schools.
4. Spy Pond Tennis Courts Report to Selectmen. Revised draft letters to DP&R and BoS. Changed to comments and considerations instead of recommendations. Voted - approved unanimously.
5. Pedestrian Safety Plan for Mass Ave. Reviewed EALS comments and Town Manager responses. Old XWs will be painted black by contractor when they are replaced by new locations. Noted that energy efficient lights create glare on the road.
6. Highland/High Haith. Corey to do new counts.
7. Lowell Street. Checking on both side signs. WG to meet with neighbors. Check warrant for RRFB sign.
8. Jason Street. Wayne provided draft concept for raised intersection in front of Menotomy Rocks Park at curb extensions at Hillsdale. Wayne will split out cost of raised intersection. Sign on the neighborhood bollard is not MUTCD compliant. WG will review concept and cost estimate.
9. Safe Routes to School. SRTS meeting tomorrow
10. School Issues. New Wheelchair ramps planned for Appleton/Acton.
11. Paul Revere Road and Appleton Road. Corey to conduct new counts and speed study. Finish crash data.
12. Wildwood Ave. Wayne and Corey to conduct site visit to check sight lines and lack of XW.
13. Parking on Mill Street. WG site meeting scheduled for 4/28 at 7:30 AM.
14. Safe Pedestrian Access at Bus Stops. To inventory stops. Consider informal flag/whistle stops. WG formed of Howard, Carey, Melissa (lead).
15. Mugar Property. Discussed. TAC WG formed: Jeff, Wayne, Seth, Corey. One more needed.
16. June Officer Elections. Scott chair of nominating committee. Let him and Howard know if interested in officer position.
17. Adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 9:20.

Meeting Materials:

- Meeting Packet for April: Agenda 4/8/15; Minutes of 3/11/15; Individual Action List 4/8/15; Project List dated 4/11/15.
- Email from Adam Chapdelaine to EALS, Pedestrian Safety Plan for Mass Ave, dated April 2, 2015.
- Revised Spy Pond Tennis Courts Renovation Working Group memos, dated April 9, 2015.