

**Town of Mansfield
Traffic Authority Meeting
February 24, 2015
Approved Minutes**

Present – J. Carrington, D. Dilaj, L. Painter, B. Lavoie

Absent - F. Raiola, M. Hart, Sgt. R. Cournoyer

Guests – C. van Zelm, (Downtown Partnership), B. Kerensky, (Leyland Alliance), K. Paterson, (Agriculture Committee), F. Costigliola, R. Beardsley (Dunham Pond Road), Sgt. J. Foran (8/22/15 Event), S. Pazdar (XTX Assoc.) (arrived at 11:13 am)

Approval of 12/23/14; – Motion made by Dilaj, seconded by Carrington to approve the minutes of 12/23/14. Passed unanimously.

Business

No.	Item	Action/Disposition
1	Jay Walking near Dog Lane	Carrington talked to ConnDot. ConnDOT/OSTA not willing to budge for additional crosswalk. Carrington will have follow up conversation with contact person. C. van Zelm to write letter to DOT. Continue under old business.
2	Town Hall/MCC Parking Lot	Parking lot has been striped. New parking map is up on the home page.
3	Mansfield Hollow Road Bus Stop	Patenaude talked to Bailey at the bus garage – bus still cannot make turn. Patenaude to e-mail Painter to see if she contacted Favretti for any historic meaning to the island. L. Patenaude to send e-mail to G. Bruhn to advise us of the Public Hearing details so BOE, Durham Bus Services and Traffic Authority can attend. Leave as old business.
4	Dunham Pond Road Traffic Concerns	Kiefer said 3 blind corners, one with ledge outcropping – cars and pedestrian meeting would be tight. Carrington suggested another possibility would be to install mirrors on blind corners at owner’s expense. Another expensive option would be to pop the ledge out of one corner. Patenaude to send a note to residents to see if a possible consensus for a solution among the residents for the blind curves. Letters were sent to individuals. Noted there is a new contact for the association. Representatives from the association will be the meeting on January 27, 2015. F. Costigliola and R. Beardsley were present at the meeting. Would like a “Curve Ahead” sign installed and line striping done after the new budget year. Keep under old business.

5	No Parking Signs on Browns Road (J. Kaufman)	Resident at 12 September concerned about parking in front of their house for access to Nipmuck trail. J. Kaufman to contact resident and arrange an on-site meeting to go over issues. Patenaude to contact Kaufman for an update. Resident was due back in town late December. Leave as old business.
6	Bruegger's Parking (C. vanZelm)	Four or five spaces with one reserved for emergency/police vehicles. Temporary paint markings need to be installed and/or 30 minute parking signs to keep consistent with other areas in the downtown. Line striping possibly done on Friday. Emergency spot striped. Remainder spots striped in the spring.
7	Route 275 and 195 Cat Tracking	Street lamp hit twice on the corner within a six week period. Suggestions from Committee was to possibly use a reflective strip on the light, move lamp to the north. Dilaj to check and come back to Committee with recommendations. ConnDot would not authorize cat tracking. J. O'Connor from DOT stated both accidents were not due to the lack of cat tracking. Carrington to look into possibly reflective material on the median and to take pictures of the cat tracking at Routes 32 and 195. Carrington sent e-mail with pictures. Keep as old business.
8	Mansfield Hollow Dam Parking Area Changes	Dilaj measured 275 feet of sight distance which meets standards, except it involves two driveways. Can Lot #1 and Lot #2 be connected and can it be smaller than use of the entire field to preserve the field. Dilaj to prepare something for Hart signature. Hart to follow up. Letter with Hart signature prepared and sent. Keep as old business.

NEW BUSINESS

9	Kids Who Tri Succeed Children's Triathlon (August 22, 2015) (J. Foran)	Sgt J. Foran attended meeting giving outline of event. Troopers will be at intersections with volunteers posted along the route. Motion made by L. Painter, seconded by D. Dilaj to approve the event per standard conditions and a submitted operational plan. Passed unanimously.
10	Agriculture Signs Throughout Town (K. Paterson)	K. Paterson representing the Agriculture Committee is requesting agriculture signs be posted in multiple areas (due to an accident between a farm vehicle and a motor vehicle). It was requested that the Agriculture Committee come back to the Traffic Authority with a list of areas and that they be prioritized in order of need. Leave as old business.
11	Run for Playground 2015 (R. Tambling)	Motion made by L. Painter, seconded by D. Dilaj to approve the event per standard conditions and a submitted operational plan. Passed unanimously.

12	Scoping for the University of Connecticut South Campus Development (L. Painter)	L. Painter presented the new scoping notice to the Traffic Authority with an addition to the Fine Arts building and as part of the scoping road closures are involved. Presentation to be done on March 11th with full comments to the project needed by March 19 th . Traffic Authority expressed concerns with the road closures and its impact on pedestrian and vehicular traffic on Route 195. Traffic Authority will need to be kept apprised of all impacts throughout the project. Keep as old business.
13	Town Square Construction Work (D. Dilaj)	S. Pazdar representing XTX Associates came in to advise the Traffic Authority of work being done at the Town Square. Tentative mobilization is the second week of March but is unlikely due to the amount of snow. Pazdar is requesting lane closures due to the fact that there will be a crane on site and tractor trailers will be on and off site unloading materials. Motion made by Dilaj, seconded by Painter allowing XTX to close one lane of Royce Circle and Bolton Road extension during crane and tractor trailer unloading times. It was stipulated that XTX must have ample traffic control to aid with vehicular and pedestrian traffic. It was also noted that CVS MUST be given a clear message that there will be NO unloading in the travel lane those days and that they are also to keep the Resident Troopers office apprised of what is going on.

OTHER BUSINESS

Painter made a motion to add Item #14 Wilbur Cross Way to the agenda, Dilaj seconded. Passed unanimously.

14	Wilbur Cross Way Road Closure (B. Kerensky)	B.Kerensky requested to extend the deadline of keeping Wilbur Cross Way closed until July 15 th . Motion made by Painter, seconded by Dilaj to approve with the following two conditions, 1) open the road for graduation weekend and 2) that any damaged roadway is repaired in conjunction with the building's CO's.
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Adjournment – B. LaVoie motioned to adjourn, Carrington seconded to adjourned the meeting at 11:42 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Patenaude
Public Works Specialist