

**HAMDEN BOARD OF TRAFFIC AUTHORITY**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF**  
**APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2010**

**Attending:** Raeann Curtis, Reginald Higgins, Elliott Kerzner, Gerald Migliaro,  
Police Chief Wydra, Deputy Chief Cappiello, Town Attorney  
Sue Gruen

**Absent:** Michael Iezzi

**Call to Order/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kerzner at 7:00 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Kerzner entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 10, 2010. Ms. Curtis motioned to accept the minutes seconded by Mr. Migliaro. *The motion carried unanimously.*

**Department Report**

- a. Review of department activity – Chief Wydra reviewed the report with nothing unusual at this time and noted that the state project for Mt. Carmel. Ave. and West Woods Road is proceeding on schedule. Also the Whitney Ave. signal project is also proceeding.
- b. Items of concern – Nothing at this time.
- c. Review of site plans – Nothing at this time.
- d. Correspondence – items in packet

**Public/Media Comments on Agenda Items**

**Mr. Donald Mike, 105 Third St.** – Mr. Mike is appearing before the Commission to request a “Handicapped” Parking sign in front of his residence. Mr. Mike was severely injured in a motor vehicle incident. He uses a cane and at time needs a wheelchair. There are two available parking spots in front of the home and he would like a sign for one of those spots.

**Mr. Brian Marazzi – YMCA Road Race** – Mr. Marazzi advised the Commission that all is set for the race. Signs have been posted that the event is going to take place but he inquired if the 21 volunteers should wear orange or yellow vest.

Mr. Paul Fioretti representing Giovanni’s Pizzeria Italiana – 1774 Dixwell Ave. – The owner of Giovanni’s Pizzeria Italiana is in the process of expanding the parking area of the restaurant and would like to have the three parking signs on Red Rock Terrace removed in order to allow customer parking and the new curb cut being put in. The proposed addition has been approved by the town but the signs can only be removed with the approval of the Traffic Commission and he is asking that they do so.

**Old Business**

- a. YMCA Road Race, April 17, 2010 – Deputy Chief Cappiello reported the he did speak with Mr. Marazzi and sees no problem with the race route. He does agree

that the volunteers wear a vest of orange or yellow for safety. Mr. Marazzi is also making arrangements to hire the appropriate number of police officers for the event. With no further discussion the road race will take place as scheduled.

- b. Waite St. – speed bumps additional information from Chief Wydra – Chairman Kerzner asked Chief Wydra if he had the information and the Chief does not have any additional reports, accidents etc. This item is closed.

### **New Business**

- a. Quinnipiac University Commencement May 16, 2010 – Chief Wydra indicated that Mr. Twining may not be present because of a recent injury. He sees no problem as the university and the department work very closely and well on this event every year. Ms. Curtis motioned to approve the request of Quinnipiac University for the commencement May 16, 2010, seconded by Mr. Higgins. *The motion carried unanimously.*
- b. Giovanni's Pizzeria Italiana – Removal of “No Parking “ sign - Chairman Kerzner reported that there are three signs and that one of them is near to the corner of Dixwell Ave. He sees no reason not to remove the two signs closer to the current driveway but recommends that the sign near the corner be replaced with a sign that states “No Parking From Here To The Corner” and that it be placed according to the guidelines. Ms. Curtis motioned to remove the two signs on Red Rock Terrace as stated by Chairman Kerzner and that the third sign be changed and moved to the proper location, seconded by Mr. Migliaro. *The motion carried unanimously.*
- c. Request for “Handicapped Parking Sign”, 105 Third Street – Chairman Kerzner visited the site and inquired about the garage on the property and the driveway. Mr. Mike stated that his daughter is the owner of the property and that she uses the driveway and garage. He does have life use of the apartment he resides in. He understands that the sign means anyone with a “Handicapped” sign in their vehicle or plates on their vehicle can park there. Ms. Curtis motioned to install the “Handicapped Parking Sign” as soon as is possible, seconded by Mr. Migliaro. *The motion carried unanimously.*

**Open Discussion – Commissioners/Department Heads** – None at this time.

### **Adjournment**

At 7:20 p.m. Mr. Migliaro motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Higgins. *The motion carried unanimously.*

*The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, May12th, 2010, in the Social Hall, Miller Library Complex 7:00 p.m.*

Recorded by,

Catherine E. Gempka  
Commission Clerk