

HAMDEN BOARD OF TRAFFIC AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
JANUARY 13, 2010

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

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 December 9, 2009. The following changes were noted, page 3, New Business second line the word “he” should be *the* and in the last paragraph remove “seconded by Mr. Migliaro” as it appears twice. Ms. Nowacki motioned to approve the minutes with the corrections, seconded by Mr. Higgins. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Department Report

- a. Review of department activity – Chief Wydra reviews the report provided with nothing unusual at this time.
- 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

Ms. Debra Smith, 51 Federal St. – Ms. Smith has requested a “Handicapped” sign in front of her property. Ms. Smith is handicapped and also has a parent living with her who is also handicapped. She has a driveway that is very steep which makes it hard to get her parent in and out of her vehicle for various doctor’s appointments. She understands that the sign allows anyone with a handicapped permit to park in the spot and is hoping this will help her.

Ms. Azalea Aguliar, 30 Ralston Ave. – Ms. Aguliar presented a copy of a letter of support from Mr. Frank Gasparro, Chairman, The Energy Use and Climate Change Commission in support of the Putnam Ave, Augur St. Bicycle & Parking Lane project.

Mr. William Mitch – 30 Ralston Ave – Mr. Mitch provided a sign petition and an email petition (which does not provide addresses of the signers) to the Commission in support of the Putnam Ave., Augur St., Bicycle & Parking Lane project and is hoping the project can go forward.

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Old Business

- a. Putnam Ave. Augur St., Bicycle & Parking Lane update – Chief Wydra is still reviewing the information and at this time is not able to make a recommendation. Ms. Nowacki inquired if every household in the area has been notified of this project. Ms. Aguliar advised the Commission that the Whitneyville Civic Association has kept the neighbors informed in the monthly newsletter and by email and it has been discussed at their meetings. At this time Mr. Higgins motioned to table this item for the February 10, 2010 meeting, seconded by Mr. Migliaro. ***The motion carried unanimously.***
- b. Woodin St. – any addition information – Chief Wydra did act on some of the complaints to help alleviate the traffic problems. Chairman Kerzner noted he was in contact with Mr. Brown, Legislative Council member and Mr. Brown stated he hasn't heard any further complaints.

New Business

- a. Waite St. – speed bumps – Chairman Kerzner stated that personally he would like to see the speed bumps removed. Ms. Nowacki inquired if they were temporary and Chief Wydra stated that based on the information he has they are permanent. Chairman Kerzner asked Chief Wydra if he had any current accident reports for Haverford St and Ridge Road and would like to review the previous decision by the Commission to install signage at the intersection. He would like Chief Wydra to bring accident reports to the February 10, 2010 meeting.
- b. Request for handicap parking sign, 51 Federal St. – After a brief discussion and a review of the doctor's note the Commission was in agreement to have the sign installed. Chairman Kerzner advised Ms. Smith that should she and her parent move they were to notify the town so the sign could be removed. Mr. Higgins motioned to approve the request, seconded by Ms. Curtis. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Open Discussion – Commissioners/Department Heads

Chairman Kerzner inquired about the new federal regulation regarding street signs. This item will appear on the February agenda.

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Adjournment

At 7:27 p.m. Ms. Nowacki motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Migliaro. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, February 10, 2010, in the Activity Room, Miller Library Complex 7:00 p.m.

Recorded by,

Catherine E. Gempka
Commission Clerk