

HAMDEN BOARD OF TRAFFIC AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
FEBRUARY 10, 2010

Attending: Raeann Curtis, Reginald Higgins, Michael Iezzi, Gerald Migliaro,
Police Chief Wydra, Deputy Chief Cappiello, Town
Attorney Sue Gruen

Absent: Elliott Kerzner

Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Migliaro at 7:00 p.m., Mr. Kerzner not present for the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Acting Chairman Migliaro entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 13, 2010. Ms. Curtis motioned to accept the minutes of the meeting, seconded by Mr. Higgins. *The vote was three in favor and one abstain, the motion carries.*

Department Report

- a. Review of department activity – Chief Wydra reviewed the report with nothing unusual at this time.
- b. Items of concern – Chief Wydra noted that the Traffic Department will need temporary staffing to complete some work coming up. He will keep the Commission advised as the time comes close.
- c. Review of site plans – nothing at this time.
- d. Correspondence – items in packet

Public/Media Comments on Agenda Items

Brian Marazzi, Hamden/New Haven YMCA – Mr. Marazzi addressed the Commission regarding the proposed Road Race to be held on April 17th, 2010. He is looking for the Commission to review the provided information, route map etc. and advise him of anything further he needs to do involving the race.

Attorney Robert Leitze, 1199 Whiteny Ave. New Haven - Attorney Leitze addressed the Commission regarding the reopening of Lake Road. In 2006 this item was discussed and it was decided that after some work and clean up of the road that the road would remain closed. Attorney Leitze would like to see the road reopened as indicated by a study completed in 2006. The road would be one way to Davis St. and right turn only onto Davis St. He noted a conceptual plan by the Town Engineer prepared December 29, 2009 indicating the road should be reopened. He would like serious consideration by the Commission.

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Old Business

- a. YMCA Road Race, April 17, 2010 – Chief Wydra noted the proposed race is limited to roads that don't have a lot of traffic. There is a possibility of 100 – 200 runners. There will be staff and volunteers for the race, mile markers and water stands. Mr. Marazzi stated that there will be Police presence and an Ambulance. Signs will be posted all along the race route prior to the race to let residents know about the race and “No Parking” signs just for the time of the race 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Chief Wydra has not seen the route yet but will visit the site with Deputy Chief Cappiello. Mr. Marazzi will contact Deputy Chief Cappiello to get further information on what he needs for the day from the department. Mr. Iezzi motioned to approve the Road Race with the recommendation from Chief Wydra that Mr. Marazzi work with the department on extra duty officers and any other concerns the department may have, seconded by Mr. Migliaro. ***The motion carried unanimously.***
- b. Waite St. – speed bumps additional information from Chief Wydra – Chairman Kerzner requested information but he is not present for this meeting. Ms. Curtis motioned to table this for the March 2010 meeting, seconded by Mr. Iezzi. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

New Business

- a. Notice of State of CT approval of Memorial Day Parade – Chief Wydra provided the Commission with both the letter of request and the approval for the parade to be held on Monday, May 31, 2010.
- b. Lake Road Discussion – Attorney Leitze provided the Commission with two plans regarding the reopening of the road. It appears after review and discussion that Plan B is the best plan for the road. Attorney Gruen questioned the condition of the road as it was in serious need of some repairs. Chief Wydra stated that after some recent work a few months ago, the road is in fairly good condition but that the road will be inspected to make sure all is in order. Mr. Iezzi motioned to approve the reopening of Lake Road, one way to Davis St. with a stop sign at the intersection with Davis St. and a “Right Hand Turn Only” sign, all contingent on the road conditions. Chief Wydra stated it may not be immediate but as soon as is possible, seconded by Ms. Curtis. ***The motion carried unanimously.***
- c. Mr. Iezzi motioned to add the election of a new Vice Chairman to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Higgins. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

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Acting Chairman Migliaro opened the floor to nominations for Vice Chairman. Mr. Higgins nominated to Raeann Curtis as Vice Chairman of the Commission. Acting Chairman Migliaro called for any other nominations, any other nominations, any other nominations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Iezzi. The vote was three in favor and one abstain. ***The motion carried.***

Open Discussion – Commissioners/Department Heads – Nothing at this time.

Adjournment

At 7:30 p.m. Mr. Higgins motioned to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Curtis. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

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

Recorded by,

Catherine E. Gempka
Commission Clerk