Town of Auburn
Highway Safety Committee
December 21, 2022
Town Hall
Stritch Meeting Room
Approved Minutes
7:00 PM

**Committee Members Present:** Chair Michael DiPietro, Road Agent Michael Dross, Tom Carroll, Dan Carpenter, and Dennis Vieira

**Call to Order:** Chair DiPietro called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

### **Old Business**

Approval of Minutes – October 19, 2022

Mr. Viera motioned to approve the October 19, 2022 meeting minutes. Mr. Dross seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

#### **New Business**

A letter was received by the Town from Gerry Diorio on Pingree Hill Road complaining of too much salt use and salt in his artesian well. Mr. DiPietro noted that the Road Agent is doing the best he can despite changing conditions.

A letter was received by the Town from Karen Bowden requesting a cross walk in front of St. Peter's church on Manchester Road. The Committee agreed that this was a DOT controlled roadway. Mr. Vieira noted the church has a large parking lot and questioned where visitors were walking from. Mr. Carpenter indicated visitors park on both sides of the street and that parking on both sides narrows the road down. The Committee questioned whether a crosswalk would be utilized as people won't likely walk up to use it. Mr. Carpenter noted the Town could make a recommendation to the DOT. Mr. DiPietro indicated the Selectmen could need to get more information.

The Committee agreed Mr. Carroll would bring the matter up to the Selectmen at their next meeting.

Mr. DiPietro motioned to have Mr. Carroll bring it to the Selectmen at their next meeting to see if they will ask the State to look at it and see if it warrants further study. Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Road Agent Report**

Road Agent Dross reported potholes on Hooksett Road by the 55 and over housing development are being filled. Beaver problems continue. He ordered 355 tons of salt for the winter. A couple of trees came down. The electric company has been cutting. A major temperature drop is coming at midnight on Friday after wind and rain.

#### Other Business

Chair DiPietro reported the land swaps with MWW will be on the warrant which will move Depot Road down and make it safer. Work should be done in a year or two.

Chair DiPietro reminded that the next meeting will be January 18, 2023.

# Adjourn

Mr. Dross motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 PM. Mr. DiPietro seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Hoijer, Recording Secretary

## **Police Report**

Sergeant Cashman presented the Police Report for November to December 2022 by email on 12-22-22.

Sergeant Cashman reported 111 stops with 11 summonses, four arrests, two arrests from motor vehicle stops and seven crashes.