

**Town of Auburn  
Highway Safety Committee  
September 17, 2014**

**Present:** Mr. Mike DiPietro, Chairman, Police representative, Lt. Ray Pelton, Mr. Rick Eaton, Selectman, Mr. Mike Dross, Mr. Dan Carpenter and Mrs. Eva Komaridis. Mrs. Helen Hiltz was recording minutes.

**New Business**

Speed Limit Ordinance

The Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed speed limit ordinance. Lt. Ray Pelton noted that in most cases the fines collected are required to be turned over to the appropriate state department as speeding is a criminal penalty. He asked if the town would be allowed to keep the fines collected or if they would go to the state. Several members of the Committee asked if there is a requirement to list all of the streets, highways etc. in the ordinance. It is recommended that the lists be removed if they are not required. Inclusion of specific street names will result in a requirement to update the ordinance every time a new street is added in town. There several exclusions that were already noticed, i.e. Spruce Lane, Spofford Road. There was also a question as to whether or not private roads should be included in the speed limit ordinance. (there are several on the list). Duplications such as Dartmouth Lane were noted. Mr. DiPietro asked Lt. Ray Pelton to insure that the police department reviewed the draft and made recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.

Parking Limit Ordinance

The Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed parking limit ordinance. Mr. DiPietro stated that the parking ordinance was basically being established to address habitual offenders.

Lt. Ray Pelton noted that parking is a civil penalty vs. the criminal nature of the speeding violation. Section 4b should include the Safety Complex Field. Section 4 should also include the Circle of Fun Playground. Mr. DiPietro expressed a concern about the time frame of 12:00 midnight to 6:00 AM Noted in section 5 but stated that the following paragraph addresses the fact that the parking ban would be in effect in the event of any winter storm.

**Old Business**

The Board of Selectmen has submitted a request and a follow up request to the state department of transportation to put a blinking light at the four corners in the center of town. (Raymond Road, Hooksett Road and Rte. 121- Manchester/Chester Road). There have been numerous near miss accidents at that location.

**Police Report**

Lt. Ray Pelton reported that there were 6 accidents in August. Three of the accidents were on Wilson Crossing Road. The speed trailer has been successful in slowing traffic in town. It will be placed in the Wilson Crossing Road area.

Lt. Pelton presented a police grant. The grant is a Safe Commute grant for patrols for radar enforcement. The total for the grant is \$5,054.40.

***Mr. Mike Dross made a motion to approve and sign the grant. Mrs. Eva Komaridis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor.***

### **Road Agent Report**

Mr. Mike Dross stated that the Margate project was nearing completion. He also noted that street signs are missing around town. They are drilling the signs to the brackets and have tried greasing the poles, all to no avail. Mr. Dross has called to have striping done in town but is not receiving any call backs. He will try again.

Mr. Mike DiPietro noted that the Southern NH Planning Commission was working on traffic counts in Auburn.

The June 18, 2014 meeting minutes were reviewed.

***Mr. Mike Dross moved to accept the meeting minutes. Mrs. Eva Komaridis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor.***

***Mr. Mike Dross made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45. Mrs. Eva Komaridis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor.***

The next Highway Safety Committee is scheduled for October 15<sup>th</sup>.