

UNAPPROVED

Town of Auburn Highway Safety Committee December 17, 2014

Present: Mr. Mike DiPietro, Chairman, Police representative, Sgt. Danny Goonan, Mr. Rick Eaton, Selectman, Mr. Mike Dross, Road Agent, Mr. Dan Carpenter and Mrs. Eva Komaridis. Mrs. Helen Hiltz was recording minutes.

Old Business:

Bus Stop – Hooksett Road/Depot Road

Mrs. Hiltz received a response from Ms. Karen Lessard, Business Administrator, SAU #15 re the traffic backlog on Hooksett Road when the school bus stops at the bus stop near the recreational trail crossing. Ms. Lessard stated that the bus stop was reviewed by the state in 2007. At that time they did determine that the stop at that intersection was not safe and she believed they expressed a concern with locating the stop at the crest of the hill due to visibility issues and the clocked speed of traffic approaching the area. The report is not real clear about that so they are requesting another review from the state specific to stopping on the crest of the hill. Ms. Lessard will forward that report as soon as they get it.

Update on 4 corners in center of town

A response was received from the state re the request to provide a blinking light at the four corners in the center of town. The NHDOT stated that blinking lights at intersections such as this one have not been found to be extremely effective. They are recommending an island round about at that intersection. The NHDOT will be attending the Board of Selectmen meeting on January 26th at 7:00 PM to discuss the matter. Mr. Mike DiPietro distributed a packet of information about round a bouts that he had downloaded from the internet. He asked the Committee to review this information and educate themselves on

the pros and cons so that any questions or concerns that we may have could be addressed at that meeting.

Police Report

There were 11 single car accidents in the past month and 4 multi-car accidents. 5 of these accidents were deer related and 3 were storm related. Traffic surveys are being completed on Wilson Crossing Road due to speeding reports.

Highway Department

Mr. Mike Dross stated that an 18" log jammed in the culvert caused a problem on Rockingham Road. The problem has been addressed.

The cleanup company that will clean up broken branches, etc. left after the Thanksgiving storm is in town.

Mr. Dross noted that state salt usage is up ~ 15 % over last year in 2014. The Thanksgiving storm contributed to the increase.

Road Agent Dross stated that possible roadwork being considered for 2015 was Chester Road and Dearborn Road. Rockingham Road would probably be shimmed.

Mr. Dan Carpenter made a motion to accept the November meeting minutes. Mr. Mike Dross 2nd the motion. All in favor.

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