Town of Auburn Highway Safety Committee June 17, 2020

Committee Members Present: Mike DiPietro, Chairman, Road Agent Michael Dross, Dennis Vieira, Selectman Todd Bedard, and Sgt. Kevin Cashman

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

Old Business

Approval of Minutes – February 19, 2020 and March 18, 2020

Mr. Vieira motioned to accept the minutes of February 19, 2020. Mr. Dross seconded the motion. A vote was taken, Officer Cashman and Selectman Bedard abstained, the motion passed 3-0-2.

Mr. Vieira motioned to accept the minutes of March 18, 2020. Mr. Dross seconded the motion. A vote was taken, Mr. Vieira, Selectman Bedard and Officer Cashman abstained, the motion passed 2-0-3.

Police Report

Sgt. Cashman reported 84 motor vehicles stops, four motor vehicle accidents with one arrest and five summonses. Sgt. Cashman indicated there were a lot of speeding complaints and the radar trailer has been put out in numerous locations.

Sgt. Cashman indicated a complaint was received in April regarding the Depot Road and Hooksett Road intersection. Mr. DiPietro recommended checking with Mr. Herman to make sure there was a response. The Committee noted the intersection needs to be changed and Sgt. Cashman recommended having no left turns until it is moved.

Road Agent Report

Road Agent Dross reported a lot of activity out at Tower Hill with no parking signs and barricades which are going to be up until July 7th. Google Maps is directing visitors to the residential neighborhood for an access point.

Road Agent Dross reported he has been busy with shim and overlay, culverts and monitoring beaver activity. Pingree Hill Road will be done next. A street sign that came down was fixed. Trees are being cut and the crane is coming in August. Barricades were moved at Dartmouth Drive where junk was being dumped again and will probably need to be gated.

New Business

Mr. DiPietro asked Selectman Bedard to talk about the streetlight project the Board of Selectmen is undertaking.

Selectman Bedard summarized the discussion at the Selectmen's meeting on June 15th. He reported 82 streetlights have been identified for possible conversion to LED. Mr. Bedard drove around last fall to each location to map the existing streetlights and try to identify some that may be needed somewhere else and others that no longer may be needed.

Selectman Bedard encouraged the Committee to recommend locations where a streetlight may be needed before the Request for Proposal is issued. Mr. Vieira indicated Gardner Road and Bunker Hill Road where the bus stop is. The road is narrow, and the bus stop is dark at 6 AM when the students are out there waiting to be picked up. Sgt. Cashman noted a couple of intersections he was surprised did not have them and Windsor Drive and By-Pass 28.

Next Meeting:

Mr. Dross motioned to recess the Highway Safety Meetings until September 16th. Sergeant Cashman seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

Mr. Dross motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Vieira seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Hoijer, Recording Secretary