

**Town of Auburn
Highway Safety Committee
May 18, 2022
Stritch Meeting Room
Approved Minutes
7:00 PM**

Committee Members Present: Chair Michael DiPietro, Road Agent Michael Dross, Sergeant Kevin Cashman, and Dan Carpenter

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

Old Business

Approval of Minutes – February 16, 2022

Mr. Carpenter motioned to approve the February 16, 2022 meeting minutes. Sergeant Cashman seconded the motion. A vote was taken, all were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

The Committee noted that the March and April, 2022 meetings either had no quorum or were not noticed and did not need to be voted on.

Police Report

Sergeant Cashman presented the Police Report. There were 164 motor vehicle stops, seven tickets, five motor vehicle arrests and eight accidents, all of which were down from last month.

Chair DiPietro asked if there were any more grants being worked on and Sergeant Cashman reported one more starts on Monday and there may be another one in August.

Road Agent Report

Road Agent Dross reported working on ditch work, potholes, signs delineator posts and tree work at the Cemetery the last three days. Squirrel Drive will start in about three weeks. He reported a parking issue at Priscilla Lane near the ballfield. Vehicles were parked on both sides by Sullivan Tire and they couldn't get in or out. That section is a private road and the business could not get in with a trailer. The portion on the left by Gemini is not restricted. He recommended the business put up no trespassing/no parking signs. A no parking sign on the corner should resolve the problem.

New Business

Mr. Carpenter raised concerns with the corner of Lover's Lane and recommended putting 2-3' of pavement on the right to keep someone from hitting the pole. Sergeant Cashman reported someone already has. Mr. Carpenter wondered if it would be better to straighten it out. Mr. Carpenter discussed the corner by Eddie Davis' a left hand up hill, and the gravel going into the

road and Road Agent Dross noted even with more room to get over or widening it out they will still cut across; the best way to fix it is to rip it up and repave.

Sergeant Cashman raised concerns with the new entrance at the By Pass for Water Works. The entrance is now further down in Auburn. Chair DiPietro noted there should be input from the Town and recommended Selectman Leclair bring it up with John O'Neill at Water Works. There are a lot of accidents there that will now become Auburn's problem. There should be a better location away from the circle.

Mr. Carpenter asked how Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission decides on traffic issues and Road Agent Dross noted it could be a request from the Planning Board and the State will often look into issues too by request. This is something that could be discussed with Town Administrator Goonan.

Mr. Carpenter raised concerns with cut-throughs in his neighborhood, from Coleman Hill up Dearborn and into Chester.

The Committee discussed Hooksett Road to the Highway and the busiest times on both sides of the Highway.

A piece of trim board was noticed to be coming off the building at Town Hall.

Chair DiPietro reminded that the next meeting will be June 15th and then there is usually no meeting in July and August.

Adjourn

Mr. Dross motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM. Mr. Carpenter seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Hoijer, Recording Secretary