Town of Auburn Highway Safety Committee October 15, 2014

Present: Mr. Mike Dipietro, Chairman, Police representative, Mr. Rick Eaton, Selectman, Mr. Dan Carpenter. Mrs. Helen Hiltz was recording minutes.

Old Business

The Board of Selectmen received the recommendations that were submitted by the Highway Safety Committee. The recommendations were reviewed with Town Counsel. The ordinances will be discussed at a public hearing to be held in the near future. It was suggested that members from the Highway Safety Committee attend the public hearing in case there are any questions that they may be able to assist with.

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.

New Business

Mr. Dan Carpenter noted that there appears to be quite the traffic back up at the school bus stop near the recreational trail crossing on Hooksett Road (old trestle – near Depot Road). He is concerned that an accident could occur in the future because people could not see the back up and come over the hill too fast (a site distance issue). The discussion as to who makes the decision as to where the bus stops was had. It was unknown if the bus company determined where the stops would be or if the school made the decision or a combination of the two. It was determined that Mrs. Hiltz would contact the new school principal, Lori Collins, to express our concerns and determine what course of action could or should be taken.

It was reported that there was an emergency evacuation at the Auburn Village School. The nature of the evacuation was said to be due to some mechanical issues. There was some question as to whether or not the Fire Department and the Police Department were notified. Mr. Rick Eaton and the other Selectmen will determine if the proper evacuation procedures were followed and/or if the evacuation procedure needs to be reviewed and revised.

Police Report

There were 5 accidents in September. There are no pending grants.

Highway Department

Mr. Rick Eaton noted that a quote for line striping has been received so he anticipates that line striping will start soon.

The September 15th meeting minutes were reviewed. Mr. Rick Eaton moved to accept the meeting minutes. Mr. Dan Carpenter 2nd the motion. All in favor.

Mr. Rick Eaton made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Mr. Dan Carpenter 2^{nd} the motion. All in favor.

The next Highway Safety Committee is scheduled for November 19th.