

Town of Stow
Traffic Safety Advisory Committee

Minutes of September 27th, 2022, Traffic Safety Advisory Meeting
Members Present: Chief Michael Sallèse, Fire Chief John P Benoit, Steve Nadeau, & Valerie Oorthuys
Chief Sallèse called meeting to order 1:06 PM

Approval of Minutes | September 14, 2022

Steve Nadeau moved to approve the minutes of September 14, 2022, as amended

Chief Sallèse Seconded.

VOTED: 4-0 (Unanimously In favor: Steve Nadeau – Yea; Chief Sallèse – Yea; Chief Benoit – Yea; Valerie Oorthuys-Yea)

Member Updates

-Chief Sallèse updated the committee regarding the Stow Police Department receiving a \$20,000 grant to support the Municipal Road Safety Program. Approximately \$1800 of that will be used for the purchase of a Traffic Counter and the remaining amount will be used to support specific traffic initiatives ranging from Distracted Driving enforcement to Pedestrian Crossing initiatives as laid out by the grant.

-Committee discussed updates regarding Chestnut Street Bridge truck restriction. Valerie looked into the matter and spoke with Hudson's Town Planner. Prior to any weight restriction going into effect, there would need to be an Engineering and Traffic Study done on the area. Additionally, Valerie and Chief Sallèse will be attending Hudson's version of TSAC to further discuss the matter with them.

Public Input and Response to Concerns

-The Highway Department will be working to cut back growth near the area of 151 Great Road based on resident input from the last TSAC meeting as well as feedback Chief Sallèse received from the homeowner.

-Treaty Elm sign to be installed in the upcoming weeks.

-Red Acre Road Concerns: Discussion regarding adding more consistent speed signs throughout that road. One of the town's speed feedback signs will be moved to this location in the next month. Committee also discussed adding traffic counter to this road once it is purchased.

-Circuit Drive: Discussion of Highway Department staffing issues delaying the sign installation. Residents will be sent Phase 2 information from Chief Sallèse in the event they want to further pursue possible installation of speed bump.

Christmas Tree Farm and Remainder of Orchard Updates:

-Committee reviewed Phase 1 and 2 plans for Carver Hill, Honeypot Tree Sales, Mistletoe Farm, and Taproot. Stakeholders to be invited to next meeting to discuss the Traffic Mitigation plans.

Next Meeting will be on October 26th at 1 PM.

Chief Benoit motions to adjourn. Chief Sallese seconds.

VOTED: 4-0 (Unanimously In favor: Steve Nadeau – Yea; Chief Sallese – Yea; Chief Benoit – Yea; Valerie Oorthuys-Yea)