

Town of Stow
Traffic Safety Advisory Committee

Minutes of January 4, 2023, Traffic Safety Advisory Meeting
Members Present: Chief Michael Sallese, Fire Chief John P Benoit, Acting Highway Department
Superintendent Brian Hatch, & Valerie Oorthuys
Chief Sallese called meeting to order 1:00 PM

Approval of Minutes | December 21, 2022

Chief Benoit moved to approve the minutes of December 21, 2022

Valerie Seconded.

VOTED: 4-0 (Unanimously in favor: Chief Benoit- Yea; Brian Hatch – Yea; Chief Sallese –Yea; Valerie Oorthuys-Yea)

Member Updates

-Chief Sallese placed the Traffic Counter on Old Marlboro Road. He was also able to place “No Parking” signs on one side of Common Road.

-Brian Hatch shared with the Committee that the post for the “Traffic Pattern Ahead” sign had been installed and the sign itself would be going up in the next couple days. The post for the “Stop” sign for Option #2 had been installed so they didn’t have to try and install it while the ground was frozen.

-Chief Sallese discussed proposed Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) with the Committee. Additional FAQs were proposed by other Committee members. For the next meeting, members will come with their proposed questions and answers and Committee will combine answers as appropriate for complete answers.

Public Input and Response to Concerns:

-Stow Acres: After further discussions, the access road that was previously proposed was removed from the plans.

-Parking Ban Letter: Committee reviewed the proposed letter to the Select Board.

Brian Hatch motions to accept the letter and have Chief Sallese present it to the Select Board. Chief Benoit seconded.

VOTED: 4-0 Unanimously in favor: Chief Benoit- Yea; Brian Hatch – Yea; Chief Sallese –Yea; Valerie Oorthuys-Yea)

-Stop Sign Letter: add a note indicating “within 90 days of approval” regarding installation time frame.

Chief Sallese motions to accept the letter as amended and have Chief Sallese present it to the Select Board. Chief Benoit seconded.

VOTED: 4-0 (Unanimously in favor: Chief Benoit- Yea; Brian Hatch – Yea; Chief Sallese –Yea; Valerie Oorthuys-Yea)

Next Meeting: January 18th at 1 PM.

Chief Sallese motions to adjourn at 1:41PM

Chief Benoit seconds the motion

VOTED: 4 -0 (Unanimously in favor: Brian Hatch – Yea; Chief Sallese –Yea; Valerie Oorthuys-Yea; Chief Benoit-Yea)