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BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSION – TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
33 Laurel Street
Branford, CT. 06405-3644
Minutes of Meeting 10-15-24

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Patty Austin - Chair Commissioner John Sousoulas Commissioner Valerie Wiel – Wilkins Commissioner Janice Heggie – Margolis Commissioner Bob Nash Commissioner Christine Ciociola

Also present were Chief Jon Mulhern & Deputy Chief John Alves

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by Commissioner Austin

APPROVAL OF MAY 2024 MINUTES:

Motion was made by John Sousoulas and seconded by Janice Margolis. Vote was Unanimous

TRAFFIC REQUESTS

- A. Request from the Town Engineering Department to approve the application for the Traffic Signal upgrades on Main Street and on Ivy Street. Motion to recommend. Approval was made by Christine Ciociola and seconded by John Sousoulas. Vote was unanimously approved.
- B. Request for stronger traffic enforcement on Kirkham Street to include speed humps. Speed humps were denied as they are not included in the state guidelines (MTCD Manual), Motion to recommend approval for radar and trafficking enforcement made by John Sousoulas and seconded by Christine Ciociola. Vote was unanimous

- C. Request for a second speed bump near the Supply Pond. Motion to recommend approval was made by John Sousoulas and seconded by Christine Ciociola. Vote was unanimous.
- D. Request to have a crosswalk installed at S. Montowese Street and Toole Drive. This requires state approval as it is a state road. Furthermore, it may not even be feasible as there are no sidewalks on both sides of the street. It was decided to seek the recommendation of the Town Engineering Department to assess the situation before moving forward. This issue was deferred until the next meeting.
- E. Request to add more Handicap Spaces in the Center of Town. We will confirm with the Town Engineering Department to see how many spaces and location of those spaces are included in the plans for upgrading the Center of Town. This issue was deferred until our next meeting
- F. Request from the School Superintendent for signage indicating *Bus Stop Ahead* for North and Southbound drivers at the corner of Totoket and Farview Drive. Part of this road is the property of North Branford. Chief Mulhern will follow up and report back in our next meeting.
- G. Request to have shrubs and trees cut back on each side of the road at the entrance to the Ponds Condominium Complex. It was decided to seek recommendations from the Town Engineering Department before proceeding further. This issue was deferred until our next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Sousoulas and seconded by Commissioner Valerie Wiel – Wilkens. Vote was unanimous and the meeting was adjourned at 5:04 PM

Respectively Submitted,

Patty Austin
Commissioner
Chair, Traffic Committee