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# BRANFORD BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS 33 LAUREL STREET BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT 06405

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BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSION – TRAFFIC COMMITTEE 33 Laurel Street Branford, CT. 06405-3644 Minutes of Meeting 6/12/2023

#### COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Patty Austin - Chair Commissioner Christine Ciociola Commissioner Valerie Wiel – Wilkins Commissioner Janice Heggie – Margolis Commissioner Robert Nash

Also present were Chief Jon Mulhern, Deputy Chief John Alves & LT. Phil Ramey

Absent was Commissioner John Sousoulas

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

#### **APPROVAL OF MAY MINUTES:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Heggie - Margolis and seconded by Commissioner Wiel-Wilkins. Vote was Unanimous

## **TRAFFIC REQUESTS**

- A meeting held with the CT DOT concerning Route 146 Corridor Management Plan. Deputy Chief Alves, Commissioner Austin and Lt. Ramey all attended the meeting
- Request for traffic enforcement on Court Street. Cars are parking in No Parking Zones preventing resident traffic and emergency vehicles from getting through. Lt. Ramey will discuss these issues with the owner of Rosso Vino and evaluate ways to resolve the parking issues.

## TRAFFIC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- Approval of the following recommendations contain in the Pawson Park Traffic Feasibility Study prepared by the town engineering dept.
  - a. Installation of a permanent digital speed sign

- b. Center and fog lines on Pawson Road
- c. Installation of additional "stop" sign at the intersection of Old Pawson Rd in front of 33 Old Pawson
- d. Installation of "Stop Bar" and "Oncoming Traffic Does Not Stop" sign at both the existing stop signs, a new STOP sign, and a "Stop Ahead" sign placed in advance of the new recommended Stop Sign
- e. Removal of trees located on town property at 16 Summer Island Rd and tree trimming /maintenance of vegetation along Summer Island Road between 69-101 to remedy the line of sight issues.
- f. Installation of a digital speed sign on Linden Avenue.

Motion to approve recommendations made by Commissioner Ciociola and seconded by Commissioner Wiel Wilkens. Vote Unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Heggie Margolis to add a flashing Stop Sign at the intersection of Eastwood and Leetes Island Road to the Agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Wiel Wilkens. Vote Unanimous.

Request to add a flashing stop sign at the intersection of Eastwood and Leetes Island Road. No Action. The Traffic Committee recommends adding a "stop sign ahead" and repainting f the Stop Bar and cutting back the brush along Leetes Island Rd. to improve line of sight issues. Motion to recommend made by Commissioner Heggie – Margolis and seconded by Commissioner Ciociola. Vote Unanimous.

Motion made by Commissioner Heggie Margolis to add request for another Engineering Traffic Feasibility study on Linden Ave, and the installation of a solar speed sign to the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Ciociola. Vote Unanimous. No Action

Request for Radar Speed Signs and Traffic Enforcement motion made by Commissioner Wiel Wilkens and seconded by Commissioner Heggie Margolis with the understanding that the sign will be moved around as determined by traffic enforcement. Vote Unanimous.

## ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Heggie Margolis and seconded by Commissioner Wiel Wilkens. Meeting was adjourned at 5:09 PM

Patty Austin Commissioner Chair, Traffic Committee