

RUTLAND TOWN SELECT BOARD

POLICE & HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2018

The Police & Highway Committees of the Rutland Town Select Board met at 10AM, Thursday September 13th, at the Rutland Town Hall. Present was Board Chairman Josh Terenzini, Board member Joe Denardo, Board member Mary Ashcroft, Board Administrative Assistant Bill Sweet, RT Road Commissioner Byron Hathaway, RT Police Captain Ted Washburn.

- 1) Discussion of changing speed limits on Hitzel Terrace and town subdivisions currently posted at 35 MPH. A petition was brought to the board by Hitzel Terrace neighborhood residents.
 - a. Reviewed current subdivisions currently at 35 MPH
 - b. Discussion with RTPD of change, they are in support of it.
 - c. Committee will recommend to the full board to reduce limits on remaining subdivisions to 25 MPH
- 2) Discussion of installing safe zone signs at the Town Hall. Chairman Terenzini gave a brief summary of the reason for the request. The town could provide a location which was under surveillance 24 hours a day for residents to meet and have a public place to do so.
 - a. After brief discussion the committee will recommend to the full board to purchase and install the signs at town hall
- 3) Discussed a request to install street lights on Simons Ave. The lights were removed after repeated vandalism. No action will be taken at this time.
- 4) Discussion of the installation of a crosswalk in front of town hall.
 - a. Commissioner Hathaway reviewed the work which would be involved. This includes purchasing and installing necessary signs, modification to the curbs on either side of the road and necessary striping.
 - b. Commissioner will come up with a cost estimate.
 - c. Committee will bring recommendation to the full board
- 5) Discussion of the progress made towards building a shared use path.
 - a. Commissioner Hathaway has not yet been able to make contact with the property owners the easement is needed from. He will go to their residence and attempt to contact directly. He will also contact the property owner within the alternate route area.
- 6) Discussion of the proposed new town road. Business owners from the Randbury road area are being invited to the upcoming select board meeting to talk about the future of the project.
 - a. A review was done of the need to build a slip lane for Farrell road if the new road does not get built. This will involve a new round of engineering and permitting for approval as well as modification to Cop John drive. Discussed possible costs of the project.
 - b. Discussed the impact the road would have on traffic flow and the impact / feasibility of installing a traffic light on Route 7 South for the Randbury road intersection.
 - c. Discussed the next steps of the new road project, including finishing the work with VHB and what land acquisitions need to happen for the road to be built.
 - d. Discussed the need for water main upgrades on Randbury which may need to be done regardless if the new road is built or not.

- 7) Site visit to Gleason Road to look at drainage, run off problems. The back driveway to Johnny Boys Restaurant, Carpet Warehouse and Trees Inc, is being washed out after heavy rains in large part due to water coming across the road from the ditch on the West side of Gleason road and runoff coming across the road from the Rutland County Solid Waste District facility located in Rutland City. This facility is operated by Casella Waste Management.
 - a. There is a culvert at the North side of the entrance to the RCSWD facility. This appears to be 18" in diameter and runs easterly under Gleason road. The termination point is unknown currently.
 - b. Discussed the obligation the town has to maintain its side of the road, and what is the town right of way. Remediation suggestions were made by Commissioner Hathaway to deal with the water once it crosses the road.
 - c. The culvert on the West side of Gleason road appeared to have debris in it and was in need of cleaning. This side is in Rutland City.
 - d. An inter-municipal committee meeting is already scheduled and this will be discussed further at this meeting

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted Mr. Bill Sweet.