



**GRAFTON TRAFFIC SAFETY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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MEETING AGENDA
April 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
Grafton Police Department Training Room

Call meeting to order:

Present:

Accept minutes of meeting held on November 4, 2015:

New Business:

1. Request from Scott Jordan for signs on Church St. at Common, etc.
2. Request from Evelyn Guillette for speed limit signs on Carroll Rd.
3. Request from James McQuade for speed limit signs on Elmwood St.

Old Business:

Adjourn:

EXHIBIT 1

From: Jordan, Scott [mailto:sjordan@ACENTECH.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2015 10:05 AM
To: Chief Normand A. Crepeau Jr.
Subject: RE: Grafton Traffic Safety Committee Meeting

Good Morning Chief Crepeau,

I wanted to extend a thanks for keeping me informed of this traffic safety meeting. Unfortunately work and a bad commute home kept me from being able to make the meeting, but please keep me informed of these, as I am interested in attending.

I did want to thank you and GPD for putting the speed trailer on Church. It helps...doesn't solve everything, but traffic at least coming up from 122 in that area is slowing. They still gun it up to the center of town once past the trailer, and I don't know how things can be further addressed. Traffic coming from the center down the hill is still well in excess of the speed limit for this road.

I don't want to continue to bug you with traffic concerns that might better be suited by that safety advisory committee, so wasn't sure if there was anyone other I should be directing concerns or comments to, regarding changes to traffic, signs, etc. For instance, the cut through from South St, which crosses Church and continues through around the common – I witnessed a van coming from South blow through that yield sign without slowing, while traffic was coming up Church to the stop sign at the end. Not the first time I have seen this. Coming from South St, it is difficult to see left what is coming up from Church St. Honestly I would love to see this cut through go away, so that anyone coming down South St would have to signal and make an actual left hand turn onto Church. I also think traffic around the common, between Millbury and Church, should be one-way. Cars frequently come up Church and immediately veer left at the common, so they can come around at Millbury and turn right onto 140, effectively cutting off the waiting traffic from South St. The road directly in front of the church is one-way from Millbury-Church St. Millbury St also has that right turn which is also one-way. It just seems to make sense that the large, unmanaged, unmarked open road way is one way so it is not used as this 2-way cut through. Given the road behind the Town Hall was made one-way, this would not be out of the question. Also, considering that sidewalks end and there is a large crosswalk in this area, making it one-way would also reduce overall traffic to make that safer.

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EXHIBIT 2

From: evelynreiki@juno.com [mailto:evelynreiki@juno.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2015 9:05 AM
To: Chief Normand A. Crepeau Jr.
Subject: Carroll Road

Hello, I live at 17 Carroll Road and habitually walk it and at the same time pick up the trash/litter, bags full of it. The contents are empty Bud Light cans, nips, a quart size Admiral Nelson spicy rum, quart beer bottles, Red Bull, cigarette packs, butts (some with lipstick), chewing tobacco tins, and of course take out coffee cups, plastic drink cups and food bags.

Not only is all this litter offensive, but it is evidence that someone or more than one person is drinking while driving!! I have never actually seen anyone throw something from their vehicle but the evidence is clear. Since this individual/s is breaking two laws, drinking while driving, and littering -- would this be worth an evening stake out?

My second concern is the rate of speed at which many people travel on this narrow road. Why are there no speed limit signs on Carroll Road? Not a one. While I am walking they have to actually slow down because two cars cannot safely squeeze by. This is a hazard for the school kids who like to walk in groups and side by side. I think the speed limit should be no more than 25 mph and it should be enforced.

What do you think?

Thanks for your consideration.

Evelyn Guillette
No. Grafton, MA 01536

EXHIBIT 3

From: Jim McQuade [mailto:jbm1015@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 30, 2016 12:49 PM
To: Chief Normand A. Crepeau Jr.
Subject: speed limit signs on Elmwood St

Chief Crepeau,

I sent a message to the website asking about getting some speed limit signs posted on Elmwood St between Main and Pleasant. Chris Caron sent me an email saying I needed to reach out to you regarding the request. I have noticed we have no speed limit signs posted on that block and Cars are flying up and down it every day. The poor sidewalks and in some cases no sidewalks are a cause for concern when people are trying to walk with children and dogs and cars and vehicles are speeding. If we could get one or two signs clearly posted on that block and maybe a temporary digital speed limit sign that would be great. Thanks, Jim

James McQuade
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