



TOWN OF WINDHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

4 NORTH LOWELL ROAD, WINDHAM NH 03087

HIGHWAY SAFETY MEETING

May 17, 2017

On Wednesday May 17, 2017, the Highway Safety Committee met at the Windham Fire Department. Meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM

Attendance: Present were; Tom McPherson, Gerry Lewis, Robert Coole, Dick Gregory and Jack McCartney. Absent were Tommy Sharpe Sr., and Mike Geha

HIGHWAY SAFETY ISSUES

ROUTE 111 & NORTH LOWELL ROAD SIGN REQUEST

Chief Lewis updated committee that NH DOT was putting the sign up today.

9 MAGNOLIA RD – CHILD WITH AUTISM SIGN REQUEST-

Highway Agent Jack McCartney advised the committee that the sign has been installed

PLAN REVIEWS

TRANSPORTATION IN WINDHAM- TRANSPORTATION CHAPTER FOR MASTER PLAN –

Committee met with Kristi St. Laurent of the Planning Board to discuss the Transportation Chapter of the Town's Master Plan. Discussion of overall traffic network and effects of volume on services and Town roads

GL – 111 is not just Windham but other communities (Hudson, Nashua, etc) Source of frustration for residents and Safety services, will continue to be more traffic State needs to widen to 4 lanes to accommodate – only solution is Roundabouts and that plan need to get done to keep things flowing Engineering \$\$ is on the NH DOT 10 year plan – construction is years away. Not more accidents, but backups and impact of accidents are much more significant Plan would be to advocate with state and work with surrounding towns to amplify the call for improvements to 111 and 28.



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JM - Roads – more than 1/3 increase in miles of town road with not commensurate increase in budget (to exceed inflation/materials) 110miles of road now. Need better roadbed standards again which would make narrower roads last longer. Need more connections in town network, Fewer cul de sacs which interrupt traffic flow. Detention ponds make lots of work for town – mowing, maintaining. Consistency in application of road standards by Planning Board would be helpful. Wider roads allows for parking, pedestrians, bikes, landscapers, deliveries – more uses on roads now, not just the two cars traveling opposite directions. Kristi will work with the CDD to get paper copies of the applicable part of the Master Plan so the proposed changes can be noted by each member of Highway Safety.

Proposed changes will be discussed at the next meeting.

Next scheduled Meeting is Wednesday June 21, 2017 at 9:30AM at Windham Fire Department.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:52 AM

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