

Westbrook Police Advisory/Traffic Authority Board
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WESTBROOK POLICE ADVISORY/TRAFFIC AUTHORITY BOARD
Regular Meeting Minutes – September 9, 2019

Members Present: Chairman Mike Oryl, Peter Parisi, Tony Fastaia, Don Harger and Kimberly Bratz.
Also Present: Unofficial new member Jill Brainerd.

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Mike Oryl.

2. Approval of Minutes: August 12, 2019 Regular Meeting:

Upon a motion by Tony Fastaia, seconded by Peter Parisi, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2019 Regular Meeting, as distributed.

3. Old Business:

a. Request to move “Slow” sign – Old Clinton Road:

All members went to look at the area after the August Meeting.

Upon a motion by Peter Parisi, seconded by Kimberly Bratz, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to request DPW to move the “Slow” sign that is located by 1241-1247 Old Clinton Road further to the west at a point that they feel is appropriate and to put up a “Hidden Driveway” sign where the current “Slow” is located.

b. Parking issues on the north side of the Town Green:

Secretary Kelemen stated that she contacted the Congregational Church and they are going to request that the renters of the house park in the back which is their designated parking in order to leave public parking open.

c. Request for installation of signs at the end of Post Avenue and Bellstone Avenue directing people to the West Beach Parking lot:

The Board received a request from First Selectman Noel Bishop requesting the Board to reconsider the installation of signs in this area. The Board voted in the past to not install these signs and members feel that these signs are not necessary so no action was taken on the request.

d. Request for “No Beach Parking” signs at Mulvey Municipal Center:

The opinion of the Board is that there no problem with people parking at the Town Hall to go to the Town Beach unless interferes with town business. It was also stated that the Board of Selectmen made it very clear to this Board that we have no jurisdiction over Town Parking lots, so we are not sure why he forwarded the request to us. The request will be returned to First Selectman Noel Bishop.

e. Any Other Old Business:

None.

4. New Business:

a. Request for Approval – Cycle for the Cause – September 20th through 22nd:

Upon a motion by Kimberly Bratz, seconded by Don Harger, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve Cycle for the Cause to be held on September 20th through September 22nd.

b. Presentation from Chapman Beach Parking/Safety Committee. (To be tabled until the November 18th, Regular Meeting):

Secretary Kelemen stated that she received a request from First Selectman Noel Bishop to put this item on our agenda. She contacted Mike Zubretsky to state that this item would be on the agenda for meeting. Mr. Zubretsky stated he could not attend this meeting and requested to be on the next agenda (which is 11/18/19). Upon a motion by Don Harger, seconded by Kimberly Bratz, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to take no action on this request and not put it on the November Agenda because this matter has been brought before the Board numerous times and the Board stands behind its previous decisions to not put up “No Parking” signs on both sides of Waldron Drive and Chapman Beach Road.

c. Request for Approval – Annual Tree Lighting Parade – December 1, 2019:

Upon a motion by Kimberly Bratz, seconded by Tony Fastaia, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve the Annual Tree Lighting Parade on December 1, 2019.

d. Request for Approval – The Vista Tour de Shore – October 6, 2019:

Upon a motion by Kimberly Bratz, seconded by Don Harger, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve the Vista Tour de Shore for October 6, 2019.

e. “Slow Children at Play” signs in town:

Colleen Topitzer sent an email that DPW notice a few “Slow Children at Play” signs that are faded and need to be replaced. She thought this Board voted to no longer have this type of sign in Town and they would like a response from the Board regarding the matter.

A motion was made by Kimberly Bratz and seconded by Don Harger to:

Not replace the “Slow Children at Play” signs.

VOTE: Ayes: Kimberly Bratz and Don Harger. Nays: Tony Fastaia and Peter Parisi. Abstentions: Mike Oryl. The motion did not carry.

Upon a motion by Tony Fastaia, seconded by Kimberly Bratz, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to table this item and have Secretary Kelemen find out where these signs are located.

f. Any Other New Business:

None.

5. Approval of Bills:

Upon a motion by Kimberly Bratz, seconded by Don Harger, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve payment of \$68.10, \$22.70 and \$90.80 to Katie Kelemen for Secretarial duties for July and August and \$7,650.00 to All Traffic Solutions for 3 year renewal.

6. Correspondence:

a. Highway Use Permit for Closer to Free Ride.

b. Highway Use Permit for ConnectiCare Gran Fondo.

c. Copy of email to Jodi Ouellette regarding approval of The Daisy Dash.

d. Copy of letter dated 8/15/19 to RST Wayne Buck asking for speed enforcement by 1241-1247 Old Clinton Road.

e. Copy of email sent to Westbrook Congregational Church regarding parking matters.

7. Adjournment:

Upon a motion by Kimberly Bratz, seconded by Don Harger, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to adjourn at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Kathleen H. Kelemen, Secretary