

**WESTBROOK POLICE ADVISORY/TRAFFIC AUTHORITY BOARD**  
Regular Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2015

**Members Present:** Acting Chairman Mike Oryl, George Rehberg, Peter Parisi, Sal Adorno, Tony Fastaia, Michael Polo and Constable Larry Merrill.

**1. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Acting Chairman Mike Oryl.

**2. Approval of Minutes: January 12, 2015:**

Upon a motion by Michael Polo, seconded by Tony Fastaia, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 12, 2015 as submitted.

**4. New Business:**

**f. 1961 Boston Post Road – Crosswalk and Bus Stop:**

Bob Doane of Doane Engineering was present and stated that for the Settlers Development at 1961 Boston Post Road, the local Traffic Authority has to initiate “No Parking – Bus Stop” signs for Route one on both the south side and the north.

Upon a motion by George Rehberg, seconded by Michael Polo, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to send a request to CT DOT requesting 4 “No Parking Between Signs” signs for the frontage of 1961 Boston Post Road. 2 signs for the south side and 2 signs for the north side.

**3. Old Business:**

**a. Flat Rock Place – Right Turn from Far Right Lane Only Sign:**

No response from the State yet.

**b. Decision of allowing Speed Bumps/Tables on Town Roads:**

Upon a motion by George Rehberg, seconded by Michael Polo, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to table this item until next month’s meeting.

**c. Old Clinton Road changes – update:**

Chairman Palermo stated via e-mail that someone will be coming to next month’s meeting to discuss this matter. Constable Merrill stated that in his opinion, the changes to the area seem to be working.

Upon a motion by Michael Polo, seconded by George Rehberg, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to table this item to next month’s meeting.

**d. Site line issues on Old Clinton Road:**

This matter will be on the May Agenda.

**e. Walk/Don't Walk Signal at Seaside Avenue/Boston Post Road:**

There has been no response from the State on this matter.

**f. Drop-Off/Pick-Up Area at Westbrook Middle School:**

Upon a motion by George Rehberg, seconded by Sal Adorno, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to recommend to the Board of Education that the buses drop the students off where the parents were dropping off and the parents drop off where the buses were dropping off.

If the BOE does do this, Chairman Palermo would like the members to continue to observe the area when the new school year starts.

**g. Update of Revised Town Ordinance Regarding Traffic Authority Board:**

Secretary Kelemen was asked to follow up on this matter to see if it has gone to a Town Meeting for a vote.

**h. Blind Driveway Sign – Seaside Avenue:**

There was discussion regarding this request. Mike Oryl stated that he went and looked at the area thoroughly. It is only 40 feet from the corner of Post Avenue to the Stranieri property. The slats of the fence are 1-1/2" wide and the opening between each slat is 2-1/4" wide. The highest point of the fence is 43" high. He further stated that he backed into the Stranieri driveway and did not have any problem with seeing the oncoming traffic. The Board did not feel the sign was needed.

Upon a motion by George Rehberg, seconded by Mike Oryl, it was:

**VOTED:** That after review the area, the Board feels that a "Blind Driveway" sign was not needed and will take no action on the request. (Peter Parisi abstained from the vote).

**i. Any Other Old Business:**

None.

**4. NEW BUSINESS:**

**a. Re-Approval of "House of Heroes CT Run":**

Upon a motion by George Rehberg, seconded by Michael Polo, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to re-approve the "House of Heroes" run on May 22, 2015 according to the revised request.

**b. Approval of Annual Muster:**

Upon a motion by Sal Adorno, seconded by George Rehberg, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve the Annual Muster to be held 8/22/15.

**c. Approval of Closer to Free Ride – 9/12/15**

Upon a motion by George Rehberg, seconded by Michael Polo, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve the Closer to Free Ride to be held on 9/12/15.

**d. Approval of Annual Memorial Day Parade – 5/25/15:**

Upon a motion by Michael Polo, seconded by George Rehberg, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve the Annual Memorial Day Parade to be held 5/25/15.

**e. Approval of YMCA Annual Healthy Kids Day – 4/25/15:**

Upon a motion by George Rehberg, seconded by Sal Adorno, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve the YMCA Annual Healthy Kids Day to be held on 4/25/15.

**g. Any Other New Business:**

**1. Use of Red Light Camera's:**

Michael Polo stated that he spent some time down in Florida and noticed that they use Red Light Camera's and this may be something Westbrook wants to look into. Constable Merrill stated that the use of these is actually a safety issue and has caused many accidents and he would not recommend their use.

**5. Approval of Bills:**

Upon a motion by Mike Oryl, seconded by Michael Polo, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to approve payment of \$92.34, \$30.78, \$20.52 and \$41.04 to Kathleen Kelemen for Secretarial duties.

**6. Correspondence:**

None.

**7. Adjournment:**

Upon a motion by Peter Parisi, seconded by George Rehberg, it was:

**VOTED:** Unanimously to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Kathleen H. Kelemen, Secretary