

WESTBROOK POLICE ADVISORY/TRAFFIC AUTHORITY BOARD

Approved Regular Meeting Minutes – May 14, 2012

Members present: Chairman Bonnie Palermo, Mike Oryl, George Rehberg, Carla Holbrook and Michael Polo.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Bonnie Palermo.

2. Approval of Minutes – April 9, 2012: Upon a motion by Mike Oryl, seconded by Michael Polo, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve the minutes of April 9, 2012 as distributed.

3. Old Business:

a. Speed Detector:

Chairman Palermo will contact RST Rob Hart and will also contact Mr. Copeland.

b. Library Parking Lot:

Chairman Palermo stated that the library actually needs another “Stop” sign going up from Burdick Drive. John Riggio agrees with this.

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

VOTED: Unanimously to request Director of Public Works John Riggio to install a “STOP” sign at the area coming up from Burdick Drive into the Town Library Parking Lot.

c. Any Other Old Business:

None.

4. New Business:

a. Closer to Free Bike Ride:

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

VOTED: Unanimously to approve the Closer to Free Bike Ride to benefit the Smilow Cancer Hospital at Yale-New Haven.

b. Proposed Medical Clinic at Flat Rock Place:

Chairman Palermo stated that she was notified that there is an “Interrupter” located at the traffic lights by Flat Rock Place, but it is not connected. Middlesex Hospital wants the interrupter hooked up so ambulances can interrupt traffic when needed. First, this Board would have to check with the Town to see what the original agreement was. George Rehberg stated that he did not feel that this would be necessary because the ambulance pretty much already go through these intersections now to get to the existing clinic in Essex and it has not been needed.

Chairman Palermo stated that she spoke with Fire Personnel and they also feel that it is not necessary. This Board will also have to look into what the cost will be to the Town if it is enabled because the Town would have to pay for it and an agreement will have to be made with the Town. No decision is required at this time..

c. Post and Bellstone Avenue:

Michael Polo said that there still seems to be a problem with parking on both roads. This Board has requested “No Parking” signs numerous times. It is unknown if Public Works put up the signs and residents took them down, or if Public Works never put them up. Chairman Palermo will contact First Selectman Noel Bishop to discuss the cooperation of Public Works.

Upon a motion by Mike Oryl, seconded by Carla Holbrook, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to request Public Works Director to install “No Parking” signs on the same side as the painted sidewalks on Post Avenue and Bellstone Avenue.

d. 12 Mohican Road West:

The resident at this address stated that 2 “No Parking” signs were removed and is requesting that they be put back. Chairman Palermo will contact the resident to find out more information.

e. Traffic Lights in the Center of Town:

George Rehberg said there is a problem with the traffic lights in the center of town. Chairman Palermo stated that she e-mailed the State and they will not make any changes because the “timing is correct”. She will send another e-mail and ask them to change it back to the way it was.

5. Approval of Bills:

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

VOTED: Unanimously to approve payment to Kathleen Kelemen for \$95.00 for Secretarial duties.

6. Correspondence:

None.

7. Adjournment:

Upon a motion by Bonnie Palermo, seconded by Michael Polo, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen H. Kelemen, Secretary