Town of Westwood Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety Committee Wednesday, November 17, 2021 Meeting via Zoom

Committee Members in Attendance: Chair Michael Kraft, Alex Yale, Steven Olanoff.

Ex-officio: Kate Wynne

Residents in attendance:

Patrick Beerman, Wagon Road

Chair Kraft called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm and announced that the meeting would be recorded via Zoom.

Planning Board Report

 New Hanlon School EIDR hearing was held. Steve Olanoff submitted a number of comments on handicapped parking spaces, pedestrian pathways, bike racks, and other issues.

<u>DPW Report</u> (Written report from Todd Korchin, October 22, 2021)

• Road Improvement Bond

Route 109: **COMPLETED**

Clapboardtree/Winter Street Intersection COMPLETED

Sidewalk improvements along High Rock, Hartford Street, and Pond Street

COMPLETED

Crosswalk Improvements 95% COMPLETED

• FY2022 Paving Projects (July 6th-September 7th):

Pond from Clap to Route 109 **COMPLETED**

Pheasant Hill Neighborhood COMPLETED

Hartford Street (From Route 109 to Wessex) COMPLETED

High Rock Street from Dover Road to Route 109 COMPLETED

Downey Street **COMPLETED**

Old Stone Road **COMPLETED**

Orchard Circle **COMPLETED**

FY2023 Paving Projects:

St. Dennis

Willard Circle

Ash Street

Carol Drive

Canton Street

• Canton Street Sidewalk:

The DPW hosted a virtual meeting on Monday March 1st presenting the initial phases of design of a sidewalk (south bound) and a shared use pathway (north bound). This meeting had 62 attendees that provided some very positive feedback. We are seeking final design money this coming Spring Town meeting that will enable us to continue to pursue State funding for construction through the TIP Program.

• Gay Street Sidewalk:

We are awaiting word from the Town as to whether or not this will advance towards construction. This project will have to be funded by the Town as it is not currently eligible for any State Programs.

Police Department Updates:

- Police will be conducting increased enforcement of distracted driver and cell phone violations.
- Will be considering various requests for more speed limit signs from residents.
- Ongoing monthly placement of portable electronic speed limit and recording signs.
 Residents can request these signs in their neighborhood by sending an email to the department.

New Business from residents in attendance

 Patrick Beerman discussed the dangerous conditions and lack of sidewalks and crosswalks on Clapboardtree Street between Coach Lane and Wagon Road.

Old Business

 Discussion of the future impact of the Ped/Bike Safety Committee and the need for new members.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 27, 2022

Adjourn by 9:00 pm