Main Street Noise and Traffic Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

Via Zoom Thursday, April 14, 2022 7:30 P.M.

Members of the sub-committee in attendance: Glenn Sanchez, Andrea Schoeny, Ira Smith, Chris Garrity

Guests and members of the public in attendance: Joyce Kearns

- 1. The Main Street Noise and Traffic Sub-Committee meeting, on Zoom, was called to order by Chris Garrity at 7:31 P.M. with a quorum of all 4 sub-committee members.
- 2. Motion to approve minutes from regular meeting March 24, introduced by Ira. Seconded by Andrea. Unanimously approved.
- 3. Glenn's update from DOT:
 - a. Can only get DOT to visit Kent from an official inquiry from First Selectman based on our subcommittee's report
 - b. DOT: 20 mph out of the question, 25 mph is a possibility (but questionable)
 - c. No scramble cross walk due to ADA/low vision
- 4. Our subcommittee will write the report to the Selectmen to include:
 - a. Signage placement
 - i. Consolidation of signage (decrease sign clutter)
 - ii. Increased frequency of speed limit signs (esp. north on Route 7)
 - iii. Expansion of the village speed zone and decreased to 25 mph
 - iv. Sharrows painted on road.
 - b. School zones
 - i. Kent School on Rt 341
 - ii. Kent Center School cross walk at Elizabeth
 - iii. KECNS Preschool on Main Street
 - c. Intersection crosswalk timing decreased from 4 feet/sec to 3 feet/sec
 - i. 3 feet/sec doesn't include all community ambulators and limited community ambulators in our town (residents and visitors)
 - ii. Other crosswalks on Main Street (current and new ones)
 - 1. What new sidewalks will be developed under the TAP Grant?
 - 2. What can crosswalks look like? (flags, flashing)
 - d. General rules don't fit our town's specific concerns
 - i. We want to be prophylactic
 - ii. Continuity of traffic laws and enforcement (need Connecticut State Troopers perspective of what they can enforce)
- 5. Meeting was adjourned at 8:26 P.M.

Submitted by Andrea Schoeny

Secretary, Main Street Noise and Traffic Sub-Committee