

Transportation Committee  
Meeting Agenda  
Thursday, June 1, 2017 at 6:00pm  
West Boylston Town Offices  
140 Worcester Street

Members Present: Larry Salate, Kevin LaClaire, Barur Rajeshkumar

Members Not Present: Marc Frieden

Also Present: Anita Scheipers - Town Administrator, and Butch Jackson - DPW Director

1. Minutes:

a) April 6, 2107: B. Rajeshkumar moved and K. LaClair seconded to accept the as presented.  
Vote: All yes. Motion passed.

b) May 4, 2017: B. Rajeshkumar moved and L. Salate seconded to approve the minutes with one edit. Vote: All yes. Motion passed.

2. Prioritization Plan: The members reviewed the latest iteration of the plan as finalized by CMRPC. B. Jackson offered to make the necessary entries. B. Rajeshkumar moved and L. LaClair seconded to authorize B. Jackson to make these edits and to submit to CMRPC on the Committee's behalf. Vote: All yes. Motion passed.

3. Pavement Management Update: No update was available. Discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

4. Misc. Updates: B. Jackson informed the committee that we have received the following requests for traffic related actions:

- a) Install a crosswalk on Rt. 12 at the police station
- b) Close Hosmer Street to truck traffic
- c) Close Kings Mountain drive to truck traffic

Jackson explained that none of these can simply be done. He stated he will check with the MassDOT as to the criteria in which to take such action and report back at the next meeting. There was further discussion about the heavy use of Jake Brakes by Trucks traveling down Laurel. It was discussed that MassDOT recommended towns not prohibit the use of Jake Brakes because of the potential liability on the Town of a truck being in an accident due to inability to use its Jake Brake. Also discussed with the concept of reopening the Hartwell Street extension to Rt. 140 to aid in truck traffic in that section of the town. It was agreed all of these items would be brought back up for additional discussion at a future meeting.

5. 2017 Goals: It was agreed the Committee needs to complete a draft updated Transportation Chapter for the 5 Year Comprehensive Plan by September. B. Jackson agreed to draft a chapter for committee review at the next meeting. Also discussed was the idea of preparing a list of potential road projects that would be eligible TIP funding through the state.

6. Next meeting: August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm.

7. Adjournment: K. LaClair moved and B. Rajeshkumar seconded to adjourn the meeting. Vote: All yes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.

Minutes approved on: Sept. 7, 2017

Respectfully submitted by Anita M. Scheipers