

Board of Selectmen – May 15, 2009

Present: Mills, Searle, Dugan, Babson, Tsagaris

Also present: Larsen, Ketchen, Connolly, Police Chief Cunningham, Deputy Police Chief Brooks, Police Lieutenant Pilecki, and DPW Director Pakstis.

Location: Wellesley Police Station - Kingsbury Room

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 8:00 am.

Citizen Speak: None.

A. Current Traffic Issues:

The Board reviewed the status of the following traffic issues:

1. Route 9/16 Bridge
2. Rockland Street Bridge
3. Reconstruction of Linden Street - Town Portion
4. Weston Road Reconstruction – Work to begin 06/24/2009. Hardy School area will be completed before school starts in fall 2009.
5. Brook Street – Relocate crosswalk and add small portion of sidewalk
6. Beechwood Road – Traffic calming
7. Wellesley Avenue - Pedestrian signal near Clifford Street
8. Route 135/Bacon Street – Reduce to single lane in each direction
9. Abbott Road – Traffic calming
10. Traffic Loop

In the fall, the Board will be considering the Beechwood Road and Brook Street traffic issues. The Board asked to see additional information on pedestrian activities at the Wellesley Avenue / Clifford Street intersection. Ms. Searle is scheduling a meeting with the residents of Abbott Road.

The Board agreed to have the Selectmen’s Office work with the Police Department to develop a framework on how to handle various traffic issues. This could be accomplished by combining the existing procedures of the Police Department with past traffic calming experiences of the Selectmen. The Board agreed that a fixed amount of money should be allocated for traffic calming issues every year.

B. MSBA “Pro-Pay” System

Sheryl Strother, Finance Director, and Terri Duggan, Finance & Budget Analyst, reviewed the MSBA’s “Pro-Pay” system. The “Pro-Pay” system is the tool which allows the Town to enter cost information and request reimbursement from the state for the High School Project.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 am.