



## BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION

July 25, 2013

7:00 p.m.

### AGENDA

Location: Brockton Police Station  
7 Commercial Street  
Brockton, MA 02302

1. Call to Order
2. Quorum
3. Reading or Waiving and acceptance of the May and June Minutes.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### GLOBE ROAD

Request from Councilor Tim Cruise on behalf of Christopher Corteau of 21 Globe Road to have “Go Slow Children” or similar signs installed in front of his house as since the street was blacktopped cars are going too fast on the street.

#### **Subcommittee recommends:**

1. Installing a “Caution Children” sign at 52 Globe Rd, Pole #1, facing southbound traffic.
2. Installing a “Caution Children” sign at 4 Globe Rd, Pole #4, facing northbound traffic.
3. Installing a “Caution Children” sign at Leah Dr & Hal Av facing westbound traffic.
4. Installing a “Caution Children” sign on Cathy Lane just south of Leah Dr facing southbound traffic.
5. Installing a “Caution Children” sign on Cathy Lane just north of Cumberland Dr on Pole #1 facing northbound traffic.
6. Installing a “Caution Children” sign on Cumberland Dr just north of Pleasant St on pole #2 facing northbound traffic.

#### MAIN STREET at NORTH MAIN STREET CROSSWALK

Request from the office of Mayor Balzotti requesting that the Traffic Commission review the possibility of adding a crosswalk on Main Street, more specifically from Brockton Cable Access (1 North Main St) to the Irving’s store (10 N Main St).

**Subcommittee recommends taking no action. The intersection already has 4 crosswalks.**

### **WEST JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

Captain Williamson received a request from Officer Scott Uhlman, Code Enforcement Officer, to designate a portion of the parking lot at West Junior High as either a Fire Lane or a No Parking area. The area is the easternmost section of the parking lot between the entrance and the exit. Councilor DeNapoli asked if that was in front of the school and Captain Williamson stated that it is in front of the parking lot, beside the school. Cars park there to pick up or drop off students and possibly park there at other times during the day and if a fire truck had to get in there would be a problem as it narrows the roadway.

**Subcommittee recommends taking no action. There appears to be ample space for a fire truck and fire trucks would likely use the 2 southernmost entrances when responding to the school.**

### **WARREN AVENUE**

Councilor DeNapoli asked if the Subcommittee could informally view the area on Warren Avenue from School Street (High Street) to West Elm Street, that the lines be painted as there are three lanes there and the right lane should be right lane only. The sign is too close to the corner and the whole intersection is a mess and traffic backs up.

**Subcommittee recommends:**

**Installing an additional “Right Lane Must Turn Right” sign, facing southbound traffic, on the light pole on Warren Avenue that is across from L Street.**

### **NORTH QUINCY STREET AND NORTH CARY STREET**

Request from Councilor Michelle Dubois for a review of the need for more traffic signals, signage and guardrails in front of certain residences at the intersection of North Quincy Street and North Cary Street due to the number of motor vehicle accidents and property damage.

**VOTED: To continue the matter to the June meeting for an update from Commissioner Thoreson on the state’s opinion of a flashing arrow sign and other possible solutions.**

### **TRAFFIC COMMISSION BUDGET**

Request from Fire Chief Richard Francis to have the Traffic Commission members vote to send a letter to C.F.O. John Condon requesting an increase in funding for the Traffic Commission budget.

**VOTED: To continue this issue to the June meeting.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **BATTLES STREET**

Request from Councilor Chris MacMillan on behalf of a resident to have the Traffic Commission review the area of Battles Street at the curve in the road near Cross Street to determine whether more signage is necessary. Councilor MacMillan also requested that the members consider restricting vehicles from making a left hand turn from Battles Street onto Sophia Avenue and also onto Rainbow Circle.

### **BATTLES STREET at CROSS STREET**

Request from Councilor Chris MacMillan to have the Traffic Commission members review the ingress/egress for the Crown Linen property (former Fairfield Kitchens property), which is planned to enter Battles Street directly across from Cross Street and Councilor MacMillan feels that this will create a traffic hazard.

### **ANGELO SCHOOL**

Request from Councilor Chris MacMillan that the traffic enforcement unit and/or school police patrol the Angelo School both at the start of the school day and when school gets out as he has been advised that there is a problem with parents dropping off and picking up their children and it is progressing into arguments and fights. This is occurring both in the school parking lot and on Ford Street.

### **SOUTH LEYDEN STREET**

Request from Councilor Paul Studenski on behalf of Christopher Borelli to have the Traffic Commission review the speeding conditions on South Leyden Street and the need for either a 2-way stop or 4-way stop at South Leyden and Coral Streets.

### **SOUTHFIELD DRIVE**

Request from Ward 4 Councilor Paul Studenski that the "Dead End" sign at the East Street end of Southfield Drive be replaced. Also, that several "Children Playing" signs be placed on Southfield Drive at the request of the residents there.

### **WEST PLEASANT STREET and SUMNER STREET**

Request from Ken Goldblatt that the Traffic Commission review the issue that was previously voted on at a meeting a year or two ago regarding the hedges at the corner of West Pleasant Street and Sumner Street that are on city property and obstruct the view of traffic. His recollection is that the Commission voted to have the hedges removed, but apparently it was not done at the time and he is requested that they be removed as soon as possible as they are causing a public safety hazard.

### **SUMNER STREET and RAY AVENUE**

Request from Ken Goldblatt that the Traffic Commission further review the issue of the tree at the corner of Sumner and Ray Avenue. The tree is on city property and was trimmed previously, but has now grown back in and needs to be removed as it causes a public safety hazard since it obstructs the view.

### **KEITH AVENUE EXTENSION**

Request from Crime Watch Officer William Healy on behalf of neighbors to have 2 Neighborhood Watch signs, purchased by the neighbors affixed as follows: On Keith Avenue Ext pole #21 (near #221) visible to westbound traffic; on pole #24 (near #225) visible to traffic travelling north on Patricia Lane as they approach Keith Avenue Ext.

### **LINWOOD STREET**

Request from Crime Watch Officer William Healy on behalf of neighbors to have 2 Neighborhood Watch signs, purchased by the neighbors affixed as follows: On pole #12 (near #110) visible to northbound traffic; on pole #7 (near #54) visible to southbound traffic.

### **MORSE AVENUE and NEUBERT STREET**

Request from Councilor Jass Stewart on behalf of Paul Murphy to have the Traffic Commission consider a truck restriction so that only trucks making deliveries to homes will be allowed in the area of Morse Avenue and Neubert Street and no overnight truck parking is allowed.

### **TERMINAL PLACE**

Request from Capt Williamson to review the parking situation on Terminal Place and consider "No Parking" on the north side of Terminal Place for the length of the street. Trucks entering and exiting Lynch's Towing are having some difficulty when cars are parked on the north side. There is one residence on the street and "Resident Parking Only" on the south side of the street which appears to provide ample parking.

### **CRICKETT ROAD**

Request from Councilor Chris MacMillan to have the Traffic Commission view the area at Cricket Road to determine whether more signage or a Stop Sign is needed at that location.

### **RAINBOW CIRCLE**

Request from Councilor Chris MacMillan to have "Go Slow" signs added on Rainbow Circle.

### **BOUVE AVENUE**

Request from Councilor Dennis Eaniri to have two (2) 30mph speed limit signs. One going south and one going north, to be posted on the street. The street was recently repaved; it never had speed limit signs but does need to be posted.

### **CHURCHILL AVENUE**

Request from Councilor Dennis Eaniri on behalf of a resident at 56 Churchill Avenue for a "Go Slow Blind Child" sign (for his daughter) to be posted close to his home.

### **LINWOOD STREET**

Request from Councilor Dennis Eaniri on behalf of a resident at 273 Linwood Street to have radar patrol this area as speed is a factor on this street. Further to have "Children – Go Slow" or "Children at Play" signs posted in the area of 273 Linwood Street, together with a 30mph sign. Request is also made for "Slow" to be painted on the roadway and for traffic monitoring and enforcement in this area.