



BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION

October 24, 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 September Minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

BOUNDARY AVENUE and NORTH QUINCY STREET

Request from Captain Steven Williamson and Councilor Michelle Dubois on behalf of Sara Kilifer and other residents of the area to have the Traffic Commission review the area of North Quincy Street and Boundary Avenue due to the amount and serious nature of accidents at that location.

Subcommittee recommends:

1. Drafting a letter to Mass DOT supporting the findings of the Old Colony Planning Council traffic study and the recommendation that the intersection be reconstructed with either traffic signals or a roundabout based on engineering discretion.
2. On Boundary Av, replacing the “+” intersection sign near #20 Boundary Ave. with a “Stop Ahead” sign.
3. On Boundary Av, installing an additional “Stop” (double stop) sign at North Quincy St on the northwest corner facing approaching eastbound traffic.
4. On Boundary Av, move the truck restriction sign for westbound traffic from the left side of the street to the right side affixed to the back end of the newly installed stop sign.
5. On the North Quincy St northbound, replaced the “Dangerous Intersection Ahead” sign with a new “+” sign and add reflective tape to the pole for more visibility.
6. On North Quincy St southbound approach, remove the “Dangerous Intersection Ahead” from the telephone pole. Install a new “+” sign affixed to a new sign post in the same vicinity and add reflective tape to the pole for more visibility.
7. Submit a request to the town of Abington to have the vegetation on the east side of North Quincy St cleared to provide better visibility.
8. Taking no action at this time regarding changing Boundary Av into a one-way. There is a Road Safety Audit meeting scheduled for October 30th.

GRAFTON STREET and MYRTLE STREET

Request from Mayor Balzotti and Councilor Dennis Eaniri on behalf of the residents (signed petition attached) to have the Traffic Commission consider modifying the intersection of Grafton and Myrtle Streets to a 4-way stop intersection due to the issue of individuals traveling this area at speeds in extreme excess of the speed limit.

Subcommittee recommends:

1. Installing two 30 MPH signs on Grafton St as follows: one on pole #32 so that it may be viewed by southbound traffic; one opposite to pole #41 so that it may be viewed by northbound traffic.
2. Installing 2 double stop signs (4 total) on Grafton St at Myrtle St in each direction.
3. Installing 2 "Stop Ahead" signs on Grafton St as follows: one on pole #36 so that it may be viewed by southbound traffic; one near the northeast corner of Grafton St and Custer St so that it may be viewed by northbound traffic.
4. Tree trimming to provide a clear view of street signs as follows: the southeast corner of Grafton St and Myrtle St; the northeast corner of Grafton St and Custer St.
5. Installing a "No Parking Here to Corner" sign on the northbound side of Grafton St 50' south of Forest Av.

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.

Subcommittee recommends:

1. Obtaining a cost analysis for installing road reflectors along the center line of North Quincy St at North Cary St.

MILL STREET

Request from Councilor Dennis Eaniri to have the Traffic Commission review the area of Mill Street to determine what measures can be taken to make motorists aware that Mill Street is a dead end street.

Subcommittee recommends:

1. Installing a "All Through Traffic Must Turn Left Ahead" sign on Mill St just south of Shields Av.
2. Moving the street light from pole #1 to pole#3.

BELMONT STREET

Request from Councilor Thomas Monahan to have a "Right Turn Only" lane on Belmont Street at the entrance to Brockton High School from 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. daily.

Subcommittee recommends:

1. Taking no action. A "Right Turn Only" lane would create a possible hazardous situation where through traffic would be forced to merge from two through lanes into one lane.

EMERALD STREET

A request from Capt Steven Williamson, on behalf of Janette Butner of 9 Emerald St, to install "Caution Blind Person" signs on Emerald Street.

Subcommittee recommends:

1. Installing 2 "Caution Blind Person" signs as follows: one on Emerald St pole #1 so that it may be viewed by southbound traffic; one on James St pole #4 so that it may be viewed by eastbound traffic.
2. Installing a "Handicapped Parking" sign 5' north of the driveway at #9 Emerald St. The sign shall be placed on the inside part of the sidewalk adjacent to the stone wall of #9 Emerald St.
3. Placing two "Emerald St" signs at each end of the street as the signs are missing.

NEW BUSINESS

MORAINES STREET at PARK ROAD

Request from Capt Williamson and Councilor Tim Cruise on behalf of neighbor Robert Clemens to consider a 4-way stop at the intersection of Moraine St & Park Rd.

84 ELLIS STREET

Request from Councilor Thomas Monahan on behalf of resident Lucy Easler to have an HP sign installed in front of her home at 84 Ellis Street.

BROOKSIDE AVENUE

Request from Councilor Paul Studenski at the request of residents to have the Traffic Commission re-review the parking restrictions on Brookside Avenue.

COPELAND STREET and CLIFTON AVENUE

Request from Capt Williamson, on behalf of neighbor Mike George, to have the Traffic Commission consider putting more signage at the intersection. Perhaps a double stop sign and a "Stop Ahead" sign on Clifton Av approaching Copeland St. There is a guardrail opposite of the Clifton Av stop sign that has been struck several times.

EAST STREET and SUMMER STREET

Request from Councilor Paul Studenski on behalf of a resident to have a guardrail installed at the corner of East Street and Summer Street.

PINE STREET

Request from Councilor Paul Studenski on behalf of a resident to have the Traffic Commission review the signage on Pine Street as drivers are traveling the wrong direction on the one way street.

BACKLUND DRIVE at EAST STREET

Request from Councilor Paul Studenski on behalf of Mr. Sullivan to have a Stop Sign installed at the intersection of Backlund Drive and East Street.

NORTHFIELD STREET at SNELL PLACE

Request from Councilor Paul Studenski on behalf of Mr. Pina to have the Traffic Commission consider restrict parking on Snell Place as cars are blocking access to his driveway.

COMBINED NOVEMBER-DECEMBER MEETING

As the fourth Thursday in November is the Thanksgiving holiday, it is suggested that the November and December meetings be combined, as has traditionally been done in the past. The recommendation is that the meeting be held on Thursday, December 5, 2013.