

Town of Vernon
Vernon of Traffic Authority
Minutes
December 11, 2008

Meeting called to order: 7:00 P.M.

Present: Jon Paul Roden, Mason Thrall, Chief Kenny, Charlie Bettinger and Lucas Watson

Motion to accept Minutes for the September 11, 2008 regular meeting made by Jon Paul Roden, second by Charlie Bettinger. Unanimously passed.

Agenda Item 1: Letter from John and Cynthia Vallarelli requesting second curb cut at 57 Overbrook Drive.

Discussion: Presentation made by John and Cynthia Vallarelli regarding driveway installation as part of home renovation 14 years ago to install an in-law apartment on residence. Building permit approved at time by Planning and Zoning.

Chief Kenny noted that no conflicts with neighboring driveways or sight line issues were noted.

Motion to approve second existing curb cut made by Jon Paul Roden, second by Charlie Bettinger. Unanimously passed.

Agenda Item 2: Letter from Ms. Diane Kupferschmid of 5 Stanley Street for a street light.

Discussion: Chief Kenny noted that street light currently existed at both intersections so no traffic hazards existed. Jon Paul Roden stated that a past directive from the Town Council required street lighting at intersections or hazardous traffic locations only due to fiscal constraints on the town budget.

Motion to deny request made by Mason Thrall seconded by Lucas Watson. Unanimously passed.

Agenda Item 3: Letter from Scott Wieting requesting "Scenic Road" signage on Reservoir Road.

Discussion: Chief Kenny indicated that Wieting reported receiving Planning and Zoning approval for the designation per Town Ordinance and the residents according to the application letter voted favorably for the signage. It was noted that a similar request was approved for Valley Falls Road.

Motion to approval request made by Chief Kenny, second by Charlie Bettinger. Passed unanimously.

New Business:

Chief Kenny reported receiving a letter from Representative Janowski requesting Traffic Authority support for pedestrian crosswalk improvements by the state at the intersection of Dobson Road and Route 30. Representative Janowski also noted that sidewalks on Route 30 needed improvements and requested the Traffic Authority contact the town to explore the possibility of improvements in that area.

The Authority members expressed support for the crosswalk improvements as more citizens are walking in the area due to development and the past gas issue. The Authority membership also supported improvements in the sidewalk situation if a source of funding could be identified.

Motion to adjourn at 7:25 made by Charlie Bettinger, second by Jon Paul Roden. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

James L. Kenny

Chairman, Vernon Traffic Authority