WESTBROOK POLICE ADVISORY/TRAFFIC AUTHORITY BOARD

Regular Meeting Minutes – February 18, 2021 via Zoom

Members Present: Chairman Mike Oryl, Peter Parisi, Bill Cummings, Tony Fastaia and Don Harger at 6:15 p.m.

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chairman Mike Oryl.

2. Approval of Minutes: January 11, 2021:

Upon a motion by Tony Fastaia, seconded by Don Harger, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2020 Regular Meeting, as amended.

3. Old Business:

a. Seaside Avenue – Pedestrian Signs:

Bill Cummings stated that he feels that the crosswalks should be from sidewalk to sidewalk. It was stated that the State of CT DOT installed the signs after the Westbrook Traffic Authority approved them. Tony Fastaia recommended moving the sign to the south side of Seaside Avenue. Peter Smith stated that there is already a sign on the south side of the road, he is requesting that both signs be removed. The Board members stated that they misunderstood Mr. Smith's original request. When the weather gets better, we can schedule a site walk. Mr. Smith stated that would be fine.

b. Any Other Old Business:

None.

4. New Business:

a. Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon Project - CT DOT:

This item was table because more information is needed before the Board can make a decision.

b. Request for "No Trucks" or No Thru Trucks" signs on East Pond Meadow Road:

Chairman Oryl stated that this request is impossible because there is a factory located on the Westbrook/Essex Town line and it would mean no delivery trucks, oil trucks, garbage trucks, etc. could drive on the road. Mr. Oryl stated that he discussed the matter with DPW John Riggio and he stated that he has tried numerous times to work with the resident who has requested this. Unfortunately, the house is right on the road. Mr. Riggio has been in contact with the property owner numerous times, and he feels that there is nothing else he can do to improve the situation. Mr. Riggio declined her requests for boulders to be put in this area. Suzanne Helchowski has already requested enforcement in the area from the RST and Constables. Secretary Kelemen was asked to send another request to the RST for enforcement in the area.

c. Any Other New Business: None.

5. Approval of Bills:

Upon a motion by Don Harger, seconded by Peter Parisi, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to approve payment of \$72.09 to Kathleen Kelemen for Secretarial duties.

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6. Correspondence:

a. Copy of State form signed by First Selectman Noel Bishop approving the centerline rumble strips, on the recommendation of this Board.

7. Adjournment:
Upon a motion by Don Harger, seconded by Peter Parisi, it was:

VOTED: Unanimously to adjourn at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.
Kathleen H. Kelemen, Secretary