

**Town of Wareham
BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS
Monday, September 12, 2016**

MINUTES

Location: The Wareham Board of Road Commissioners meeting of September 12, 2016 was held in Room 27 of Memorial Town Hall.

Members Present: Kenneth Buckland, Joseph Cardoza, Chair William Heaney, Recording Secretary John McGonnell, Vice Chair David Menard and Howard Smith. Also present were four citizens and one member of the press.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Heaney.

Minutes: The Minutes of the Board of Road Commissioners meeting held on July 11, 2016 were reviewed. Motion by Vice Chair Menard to accept the Minutes. Seconded by Member Smith. Vote: 6-0-0. (Note: There was no meeting in August 2016.)

New Business:

Street Light Issue at West Boulevard and Fifth Street: The letter from the complainant was acknowledged, and the issue will be addressed by the Municipal Maintenance Department.

One Way Signage on Prospect Avenue: Following a discussion, a motion was made by Recording Secretary McGonnell to install a new, double-sided "arrow" sign to replace the current one-sided sign. Seconded by Member Smith. Vote: 6-0-0.

Missing and Damaged Signs on Blackmore Pond Road: Following a discussion, a motion was made by Recording Secretary McGonnell to have Municipal Maintenance and the Police Department review the area and re-install appropriate signage. Seconded by Member Cardoza. Vote: 6-0-0.

Crosswalk Signage – Main Street at Wesley United Methodist Church: Following a discussion, Vice Chair Menard indicated that he is looking into possibly installing flashing-light signage at certain crosswalks. This is an expensive proposition, and he will be seeking possible grant money. In the meantime, Municipal Maintenance will try to make the current signage more visible, and a mid-street marker will be placed in the crosswalk when one becomes available.

Old Business:

Town's Accepted Ways: Further discussion involving the issue of Spectacle Pond Road and Terrace and State Bog Road. Following discussion, it was determined that these ways are not currently listed as public ways. Chair Heaney will contact the complainant and advise that this is not a Road Commission matter and should be addressed by the Board of Selectmen and the Town Clerk's office.

Any Other Business:

Address Changes: Chair Heaney read a letter from Building Commissioner Moore noting a change of address to Sewer Department pump stations located at 11 Mattapoissett Road and 6 Preservation Lane.

Swift's Beach Association: Chair Heaney read a letter from Sandra McMullen of Swift's Beach Association regarding speeding vehicles and general congestion in the area of Shore Avenue and Beach

Street, and requesting a 4-way "Stop" sign because of the number of pedestrians walking in the area. Chair Heaney will forward this correspondence to Chief Walsh and request Police Department input on this matter. No Board action at this time.

Citizens' Participation: Chair Heaney asked the residents in attendance if they had anything they wished to add.

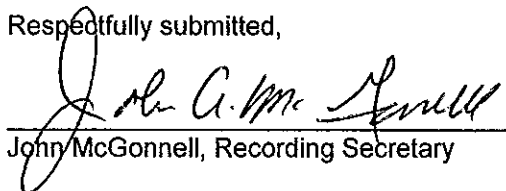
Handicapped Parking in Union Avenue Area: Resident Marie Greig inquired as to the status of handicapped parking and the Union Avenue reconstruction. Vice Chair Menard reported that the project was slated to begin in early summer, but is still delayed because the cable company equipment and wires have not been moved. He advised that handicapped spots will be made available. The exact number is unknown until measurements are taken.

Reconstruction of Hotel Street and Ocean Avenue: A resident (unidentified) inquired about the status of the reconstruction of Hotel Street and Ocean Avenue. Vice Chair Menard advised that the contract for the project was recently awarded and that both streets will be totally reconstructed, including drainage improvements, and that work should begin after September 25, 2016.

Next Meeting: Because Monday, October 10, 2016, is a legal holiday, the next meeting of the Road Commission will be Monday, October 17, 2016, at 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Member Buckland moved to adjourn. Seconded by Vice Chair Menard. The meeting was adjourned at 4:41 p.m. by a vote of 6-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,



John McGonnell, Recording Secretary

These Minutes were reviewed and accepted by unanimous vote at the meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners held on November 14, 2016