

**Town of Wareham  
BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS  
Tuesday, September 8, 2015**

**MINUTES**

**Location:** The Wareham Board of Road Commissioners meeting of September 8, 2015 was held in Room 27 of Memorial Town Hall.

**Members Present:** Members present: Member Joseph Cardoza, Recording Secretary John McGonnell, Vice Chair David Menard, Member David Pichette and Member Howard Smith. Also present: Town Administrator Derek Sullivan, seven residents and one member of the press.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Vice Chair Menard.

**Minutes:** The Minutes of the Board of Road Commissioners meeting held on August 11, 2015 were reviewed. Motion by Vice Chair Menard to accept the Minutes, seconded by Member Smith. Vote: 3-0-1.

**New Business:**

**Board Vacancy:** Vice Chair Menard indicated there is at least one applicant who will be invited to interview at the October meeting. Resident Bill Heaney was present at the meeting and inquired about the opening, expressed interest and indicated he would submit an application.

**East Boulevard:** Discussion was held relative to setting policy and creating a special parking permit for temporary parking of health care providers visiting residents in areas where parking is restricted. It was agreed that the Police Department and Harbormaster should be consulted, and the matter was tabled to the November meeting.

**Minot Avenue Enforcement and Signage:** Vice Chair Menard will evaluate the signage, and the Recording Secretary will contact the Police Department relative to enforcement.

**East Boulevard Driveways:** The resident at #14 East Boulevard indicated that there has been only one incident involving parking of vehicles and that occurred during Illumination Night. He advised that his curb cuts were approved by the ZBA and Lt. Bliss of the Police Department prior to construction of the curb cuts. He further stated he was reserving a spot one day as he was expecting a large delivery. Following discussion, the consensus of the Board was to get further information from the Harbormaster and Police Department. TA Sullivan will obtain a formal definition of "driveway" from Town Counsel.

**Bridge Crossings Over Weweantic:** A letter to Mass. DOT dated July 1, 2015 from Robert A. Everton concerning run-off from seven bridge crossings over the Weweantic River into the water was read to the Board. Following discussion, the Board decided the matter is not a Road Commission concern.

**Stop Signs at Cedar and High Streets:** A discussion was held, and the Board was skeptical that additional signs are needed. Vice Chair Menard will evaluate the situation. Member Pichette suggested, as with all signage requests, the Board should have input from the Police Department.

**Old Business:**

**Onset Avenue Delivery Zone:** The Board has not yet received information requested from Town Counsel or the Police Department concerning this matter. It will be reviewed at the November meeting.

**Onset Parking Program:** There was discussion relative to a complaint from the resident at #5 Union Street that he was unable to obtain a residential parking permit. The Recording Secretary will contact the Harbormaster regarding this matter.

East Boulevard area residents brought to the attention of the Board possible mis-use of parking permits by an area business. The Board discussed that guest parking passes are not transferrable and perhaps should be neighborhood specific with monetary penalties for mis-use.

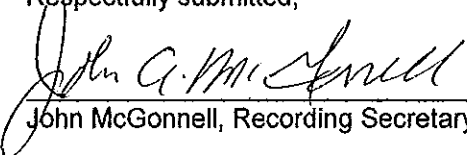
Resident Winna Dean advised that some time back, the ZBA suggested a review of the parking situation on East Boulevard because of congestion issues, but apparently no review was ever held.

The Onset Parking Program will be discussed in detail at the November meeting.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Member Smith moved to adjourn. Seconded by Member Cardoza. The meeting was adjourned at 4:54 p.m. by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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John McGonnell, Recording Secretary

These Minutes were reviewed and accepted by unanimous vote at the meeting of the Board of Road Commissioners held on October 13, 2015.