

Chili Traffic and Safety Committee Minutes

June 3, 2021 Minutes	
Committee Members	Brad Grover; Chairman, Stephen Tarbell; Vice-Chair, Michael Tata; Secretary Marlene Kretser, Thomas Schreck, Jason Marsherrall
Advisors	Dave Lindsay; Town Highway Superintendent Brent Penwarden; Monroe County DOT Chris Fish; Chili Fire Department
Town Board Liaison	Mark DeCory
Guests	Charles Rettig.
Excused	Chis Fish
Meeting Called to Order	7:00 PM
May 2021 Minutes	<i>Changes recommended: Correct the month designation of the meeting minutes from April to May and grammatical corrections.</i> First: Jason Marsherrall; Second: Thomas Schreck; Approved: Unanimous

OLD BUSINESS

Date	Issue/Concern	Discussion/Actions Taken
Aug. 03, 2017	<p>The Traffic and Safety Committee contacted the NYSDOT to express their concerns related to delays and safety issues with these four intersections. These intersections are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Union Street (Rte 259) and Buffalo Road (Rte 33) • Union Street (Rte 259) and Chili Avenue (Rte 33A) • Chili Avenue (Rte 33A) and Chestnut Ridge Road • Chili Avenue (Rte 33A) and Beaver Road (Rte 252) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The NYSDOT conducted data at these intersections and provided analysis with a written correspondence. Copies of the correspondence can be found in the meeting minutes dated November 7, 2019 • [Feb 6, 2020] Any improvements will require funding; waiting for funding from the state. • [Mar 5, 2020] No additional discussion • [Aug 6, 2020] Comment to keep this item on the minutes as reference and until state funding becomes available. • [Sept 3] No discussion/No action needed at this time. • [Oct 1] No discussion • [Dec 3] No discussion • [Jan 7, 2021] Review of the issue and restatement that this is pending state funding. • [Feb 4] No discussion • [Mar 4] No discussion • [Apr 1] Further reinforcing of the need for state funding • [May 6] No discussion • [Jun 3] No discussion; still waiting for funding

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<p>Jan. 3, 2019</p> <p>Item #1</p>	<p>Concerns were raised from the committee regarding posted speed limits being too low and improper pavement markings existing on several rural roads in the town.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chili Highway Department will work with the Monroe County Department of Transportation to complete a speed and pavement marking assessment on Ballantyne Rd, Humphrey Rd, Bowen Rd, Stryker Rd and Reed Rd. • The work will be completed as resources and time permit. • Copies of the written correspondence can be found in the meeting minutes of Nov. 7, 2019 • [Feb 6, 2020] No additional discussion or activity • [Mar 5, 2020] No additional discussion • [Aug 6, 2020] MCDOT will review the needed work given that there was a delay in many projects relating to the governor’s pandemic orders. • [Sept 3] Time/Resources need to be allocated. • [Oct 1] No discussion • [Nov 5] Restating that this issue is contingent on time and resource needs. • [Dec 3] This will more than likely happen in the Spring. • [Jan 7, 2021] Town and County will work on a pavement marking study as time and resources permit. • [Feb 4] Review and assessment of striping reasons from the past to better determine the needs for changes • [Mar 4] No discussion • [Apr 1] Review of jobs and needs has begun and expectation is that a list of roads will be compiled for changes. Approved changes in striping will occur when resurfacing is conducted on designated roads. • [May 6] County and town are working on a schedule of work • [Jun 3] Planning for this task is being determined to coincide with work being done by the County.

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Sept. 5, 2019	Dave Lindsay reported he received a complaint concerning speeding on Toni Terrace.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave advised the concerned citizen that he would be putting up a radar unit in the area in a few weeks and would share the data with the committee. • [Oct 3, 2019] Dave Lindsay reported that the radar unit will be up next month. • [Nov 7, 2019] Dave Lindsay reported that they set up the radar unit and due to the weather, they did not think the data was accurate. The unit will be put back in the spring in order to obtain more reliable information. • [Mar 5, 2020] Driver feedback units are scheduled to be posted in Spring. • [Aug 6, 2020] Area has been added to the driver feedback rotation schedule. • [Sept 3] David Lindsay commented that the driver feedback signs are planned to be posted next week or two. • [Oct 1] Feedback signs will be added to the Rotation Schedule in 2021 • [Nov 5] Feedback signs posted. • [Dec 3] Confirm that data was collected and being analyzed. Initial thought is that the feedback sign used is not designed to collect data. • [Jan 7, 2021] David Lindsay submitted that the feedback signs did not generate data. Committee will determine if signs should be reposted in the Spring to collect data. • [Feb 4] Radar placement being considered in the Spring in order to collect specific traffic data. • [Mar 4] Radar placement planned for second half of April; contingent on weather conditions • [Apr 1] No discussion • [May 6] Snow and weather prevented the placement of radar unit. Town Highway looking to place these in May. • [Jun 3] Driver feedback signs have been posted and the data is being analyzed. Preliminary analysis indicates that 5% of the vehicle traffic was at or above 36 MPH. Town is considering adding signage requesting drivers to slow down.

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<p>Aug 6, 2020</p> <p>Item #1</p>	<p>Residents of Emerald Point raised a complaint of cars driving excessively in the neighborhood (includes W. Forest Dr and other adjoining roads). The committee and the residents had a long conversation to better understand the resident's expectations. Residents did make it known that those believed to be speeding are from the neighborhood.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area will be added to the driver feedback rotation schedule. It was also suggested that a letter be sent to all the residents of the area as a means of bringing awareness. David Lindsay will look into the idea of sending out letters. The driver feedback signs will be considered once the road pavement project is completed. • [Sept 3] No discussion • [Oct 1] Feedback signs will be added to the Rotation Schedule in 2021 • [Nov 5] Intent is to send letters to the residents in conjunction with the feedback signs being posted in the Spring. • [Dec 3] No discussion • [Jan 7, 2021] Expectation that letters to the neighbors should be sent as discussed/noted from November 5 meeting. • [Feb 4] A canvas of the neighborhood is planned with letters to residents as well as a general notice being published in the Town newsletter. • [Mar 4] No discussion • [Apr 1] Waiting confirmation of letters being sent and Town newsletter being published. • [May 6] Letters have sent to approximately 400 residents. • [Jun 3] One response that David Lindsay received from the letters was appreciative of the Town's review and actions about vehicular traffic. This location is being considered for driver feedback signs in the coming months.

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<p>Sept 3, 2020</p> <p>Item #4</p>	<p>Committee member Michael Tata received a complaint from a concerned citizen about drivers ignoring the stop sign located at Sleepy Hollow and Paul Road Square, in particular the sign is located on Paul Road Square as one is coming from the plaza.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Tata investigated the area and found that the stop bar and road striping needs to be examined, paint appears to be worn and faded. Brent Penwarden, MCDOT will work with the Town to determine if striping/painting is warranted. • [Oct 1] No discussion • [Nov 5] Intersection is being considered for paint and striping. • [Dec 3] Paint/striping is being considered and if needed will be completed in Spring. • [Jan 7, 2021] David Lindsay submitted that the current painting/striping is adequate, and it will be placed on the inclusion list for review in 2021. • [Feb 4] No discussion • [Mar 4] Restriping is planned for late March/early April; weather permitting • [Apr 1] No discussion • [May 6] Restriping is planned for late summer in conjunction with several other striping needs/work • [Jun 3] Restriping is planned for late August/early September.
<p>Sept. 3, 2020</p> <p>Item #5</p>	<p>Committee member Steve Tarbell raised a concern brought to him by a citizen. The issue is regarding the stop sign/flashing light at the intersection of Old Scottsville Chili Rd and Beaver Rd. (Rt. 252). The stop sign appears to be obstructed by foliage and that it may need to be brought forward (further away from intersection) for better visibility.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After discussion, the committee recommends a review of the intersection to assess any changes needed in order to improve the visibility of the stop sign. • [Oct 1] No discussion • [Nov 5] Town highway department will examine this intersection for overgrown foliage and trim where necessary. The placement of the stop sign will be considered for a need to reposition in accordance with existing codes. • [Dec 3] Foliage trimming was done, moving the stop sign was considered and there is little room to relocate, stop ahead sign is being considered for relocation or to remain in its current placement. • [Jan 7, 2021] The stop ahead sign is posted approximately 250 feet in advance of the intersection and is visible from another 150 to 200 feet. No changes are being recommended to the placement of the stop sign and stop ahead sign.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [Feb 4] There is the RTS sign that is partially blocking the stop sign. Town will look at having this moved. • [Mar 4] Awaiting the removal/re-positioning of the RTS sign blocking the stop sign. • [Apr 1] Awaiting confirmation that the RTS sign was adjusted. • [May 6] Awaiting RTS action on moving the bus stop sign. • [Jun 3] Town will continue to review this area for foliage growth and trim when warranted.
Mar 4, 2021 Item #1	Committee has had ongoing discussion related to the Union Street Industrial (USI) project and concerns of changes in traffic pattern.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A request for review is the need for adding a stop light at the intersection of Rt. 259 and Rt. 490E on/off ramps. • [Apr 1] No discussion • [May 6] Awaiting decision from NYSDOT • [Jun 3] Official decision from NYSDOT pending.
Mar 4, 2021 Item #2	Committee member Steve Tarbell mentioned that the stop light at the intersection of Paul Rd. and Rt. 33A (east intersection) when heading northbound has a short cycle for the left turn arrow. <i>Reference Jan 7, 2021 Item #1</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A request will be asked for the NYSDOT to verify if they conducted a review of the entire stop light cycle at this intersection. • [Apr 1] There was some confusion on which stop light in question. Clarification was on Paul Rd. northbound at the Rt. 33A intersection and specifically the left turn signal for westbound traffic. • [May 6] There appears to be differing opinions on the matter and committee members have agreed to investigate and report back next month. • [Jun 3] Committee member Tarbell further investigated this area and based on his observations the matter is being referred to NYSDOT for in-depth review.
Apr 1, 2021 Item #1	Committee member Michael Tata was informed of a citizen observing vehicles traveling at high rates of speed westbound on Paul Rd (heading towards Union St. (Rt. 259) near Ford's Farm and the Rt. 490 overpass.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The area will be placed on the rotation for driver feedback signs. • [May 6] The road in question is a county road on David Lindsay will coordinate with the county on placing driver feedback signs. • [Jun 3] Upon county agreement, the hope is for driver feedback signs to be placed at this location in mid/late June.

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May 6, 2021 Item #1	Committee member Michael Tata noticed that the intersection of Orange Tree and Chili Ave. is set with a yield sign rather than a stop sign.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Lindsay will reach out to NYSDOT and county to determine why a yield sign was placed at this intersection and if a stop sign is warranted. • [Jun 3] David Lindsay will reach out to the county and state to determine if the intersection has the proper sign placement (Stop sign vs. Yield sign).
May 6, 2021 Item #2	A concerned citizen brought to the attention of the committee concerns of drivers at high rates of speed on residential roads, specifically Hubbard Dr.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Town Highway Department will look into adding this road on to the driver feedback rotation. • [Jun 3] Planned posting of driver feedback signs is late summer.

NEW BUSINESS

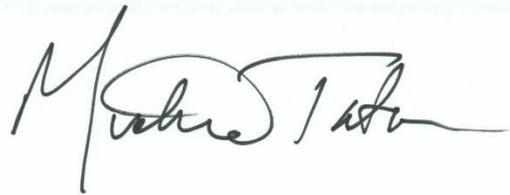
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N/A	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None

Meeting Adjourned at 7:26 PM

The next Traffic and Safety meeting is scheduled for August 5, 2021 at 7:00 PM. No July meeting.



Brad Grover, Chairman



Michael Tata, Secretary