



BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION
Thursday, December 6, 2018
6:00 p.m.

MINUTES

The Traffic Commission held its regular monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at the War Memorial Building, War Memorial Building, 156 W. Elm Street, Brockton, MA 02301.

Present were Traffic Commissioners: Captain John Hallisey, Deputy Fire Chief Kevin Galligan, Kenneth Galligan, Councilor Thomas Monahan and Stephan Hooke.

Also present was: Councilor Shirley Asack, Councilor Jack Lally, Councilor Anne Beauregard, Tim Doherty, Rob May, Virginia Kraus, James McMorrow, Jr., Tamera Pringle, Brian Porter and Greg Belcher.

There being a proper quorum, the meeting was called to order by Commissioner Hallisey. Upon motion made by Deputy Chief Galligan, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of all members present, it was voted to waive the reading of the October 25, 2018 Minutes.
Location:

OLD BUSINESS

1. OAK STREET ENTRANCE TO D.W. FIELD PARK

*Request received from Mayor Carpenter for either installing or repainting crosswalks and install pedestrian signal. *At 7/26/18 meeting:*

Discussion: Deputy Chief Galligan stated that he has the report from Dan Murphy who is the on-call engineer with CDM and recommended that this be referred to subcommittee to look at the recommendations.

Upon motion duly made by, Deputy Chief Galligan, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE ENGINEER'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

2. **CRESCENT STREET**

Request received from Heather Russell and Councilor Anne Beauregard who would like a bright fluorescent crosswalk painted on Crescent Street by Miko's and a blinking flashing light.

Discussion: Deputy Chief Galligan made a recommendation to refer to subcommittee to see if 200' away from an adjacent intersection per recommendations by Dan Murphy, the on-call engineer with CDM.

Upon motion duly made by Deputy Chief Galligan, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE TO REVIEW TO SEE IF 200' AWAY FROM AN ADJACENT INTERSECTION PER THE ENGINEER'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

3. **6 PALM PLACE**

Request received from Dulce Pina who is requesting a handicapped parking sign in front of her residence. She lives in a 3 family with a small driveway. She has a handicapped child and is unable to park in front of the house due to many cars parking there on a small street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: NO PARKING SIGN HERE TO DRIVEWAY BELOW ON SAME POLE HANDICAPPED PARKING ONLY (BOTH SIGNS ON SAME FIXED POLE). POLE PLACEMENT WEST SIDE OF PALM PLACE IN FRONT OF #3 PALM PLACE (20FT NORTHERLY FROM DRIVEWAY OF 7 PALM PLACE).

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Monahan, seconded by Deputy Chief Galligan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO ACCEPT SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS.

4. **JACOB STREET**

Request received from Paul Bellofatto of 198 Pine Street for a stop sign at Jacob Street plus painted lines for bikes/pedestrians as there is a school up the street and there is a lot of pedestrian traffic. Vehicles drag race on Pine Street, plus ATV's and off-road motorcycles during summer, fall and spring.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION #2: 2 STOP SIGNS EAST BOUND ON PINE STREET (THUS CREATING 3 WAY STOP).

Discussion: Ken Galligan stated to make sure the red stripes are on the posts.

Upon motion duly made by Stephan Hooke, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS.

5. PROSPECT AVENUE AND AUGUSTA

Request received from Councilor Tom Monahan on behalf of Sheila Lyons who would like the issue of cars running stop signs in her area addressed.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: RELOCATE STOP SIGN FROM PROSPECT AVE @ AUGUSTA AVE TO THE EAST SIDE OF THE LARGE TREE IN FRONT OF 147 PROSPECT AVE. REMOVE STREET SIGN TO SOUTH EAST SIDE OF PROSPECT AVE (TO CURRENT POST).

Discussion: Ken Galligan stated to make sure the red stripes are on the posts.

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Monahan, seconded by Stephan Hooke, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS.

6. TREMONT STREET

Request received from Councilor Studenski on behalf of residents on Tremont Street who would like the "No Parking" signs replaced that were previously on one side of the street.

10/25/18 Meeting:

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Monahan, seconded by Steve Hooke, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: Refer back to subcommittee for making north side of Tremont Street no parking from Main Street to Warren Avenue

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: NO PARKING NORTH SIDE OF TREMONT STREET TO WARREN AVENUE (ONLY 2 SIGNS NEEDED OTHER ALREADY IN PLACE).

Discussion: Ken Galligan stated that the official records will show No Parking from Main Street to Essex Street. The subcommittee observed no parking signs on poles almost down to Warren Avenue. Signs should be placed on the north side of Tremont Street, no parking westerly from Main Street to Warren Avenue which would result in an amendment to the record. A motion was made to make Tremont Street **NO PARKING NORTH SIDE MAIN STREET TO WARREN AVENUE.**

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Monahan, seconded by Deputy Chief Galligan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.

7. MORaine STREET & SYCAMORE STREET

Councilor Cruise asked if the subcommittee could review this intersection and put on the December 6th agenda. Ken Gilligan suggested that they review Spring Street back to Sycamore Street.

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: EXTEND NO PARKING WEST SIDE OF MORaine STREET BETWEEN SYCAMORE STREET TO SPRING STREET.

Discussion: Ken Galligan stated that a request came in several years ago to prohibit parking on Moraine Street opposite Spring Street because vehicles making a turn couldn't make the turn. If cars were parked on Moraine Street, northerly from Spring Street it narrows it down to one car width so it would make sense to make no parking from Sycamore Street to Moraine Street on the west side.

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Monahan, seconded by Deputy Chief Galligan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.

8. SIGN REQUEST:

- *Tamara Pringle, 99 Weston Street – Requesting signage to address safety concerns as cars are parked on both sides of the street, cars are speeding, recent accident in front of her home where vehicle ended up in her front yard close to her door.*

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: WESTON ST NO PARKING BOTH SIDES 60 FEET SOUTHERLY FROM PROSPECT ST.

**Ms. Pringle called and would like this sent back to subcommittee review for the possibility of making the street a one-way.*

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION #2: DENIED DOES NOT MEET PUBLIC SAFETY CRITERIA.

Discussion: Ms. Pringle asked what the criteria was for making a street a one-way and was informed that the majority of the residents on Weston Street would have to be in favor of making it a one-way. Councilor Monahan stated that as the ward councilor, he has not received any complaints or had any concerns from residents. Commissioner Hallisey also pointed out that for 4 months during the Winter Parking Ban December 1st to April 1st, parking wouldn't be allowed on the even numbered side of the street between the hours of midnight and 7:00 a.m.

Ken Galligan wanted to add a note to the sign installer that the sign for no parking on the east side of Weston Street northerly from Pleasant Street still has not been installed.

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Monahan, seconded by Deputy Chief Galligan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: WESTON ST NO PARKING BOTH SIDES 60 FEET SOUTHERLY FROM PROSPECT ST. AND NOTE THAT SIGN FOR NO PARKING EAST SIDE OF WESTON STREET NORTHERLY FROM PLEASANT STREET HAS NOT BEEN INSTALLED.

NEW BUSINESS

9. AUGUSTA AVENUE AND FAIRFIELD STREET

Request received from Philip Strangis of 47 Fairfield Street for a stop sign on both sides of Augusta Avenue at the intersection of Fairfield Street. Mr. Strangis would prefer a 4-way stop to alleviate the constant speeding and accidents that have happened.

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Monahan, seconded by Stephan Hooke, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.

10. WINONA STREET (ASH STREET END)

Request received from Councilor Tom Monahan on behalf of a resident who is look for a "No Parking Here To Corner" sign on both sides of Winona Street from the Ash Street end.

Discussion: Councilor Monahan stated that there are cars parked right up to Ash Street and you can barely get a car around there or take a turn so it is a public safety issue. Ken Galligan asked Councilor Monahan if he was looking for no parking signs on both sides of Winona Street roughly 50 ' in from Ash Street and was told yes.

Upon motion duly made by Ken Galligan, seconded by Deputy Chief Galligan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.

11. 71 DOWNEY ROAD

Request received from Councilor Jack Lally on behalf of Patricia Gorman who resides at 71 Downey Road and is requesting a "No Parking" sign in front of her house because the neighbors routinely park in front of her house.

Discussion: Ms. Gorman wanted to know why people living in residential homes with driveways are allowed to park in the street. She went on to state that her neighbor across the street irritates her and said that he took her trash barrels and put them all together and she couldn't

take them apart causing her to go to the recycling depot to have them pull them apart. She continued to say the neighbor has put stuff in her mailbox and comes off like he works for the City. Commissioner Hallisey interrupted Ms. Gorman to inform her that her issues were more quality of life issues, not traffic. He continued by reminding Ms. Gorman that he spoke to her on the telephone about her request for a no parking sign in front of her house and that this could not be done because then everyone would want one. He asked if the neighbors wanted no parking on one side of the street. Councilor Lally responded by saying he hasn't talked to the neighbors and this road was made a public road recently. Deputy Chief Galligan explained that the criteria used in making a determination on a no parking sign request is if it is a public safety issue and that typically, the board does not approve no parking signs on residential side streets.

Ms. Gorman stated that she had a harassment order against her neighbor for 30 days and the judge did not renew it on the 3rd request and according to her, suggested that Ms. Gorman needed to get a sign posted on her property. Commissioner Hallisey stated that perhaps the judge meant for her to put a no trespassing sign.

Ms. Gorman was advised to contact Andrea Burton to see if Quality of Life issue because they deal with neighborhood issues.

Ken Galligan asked if this issue should be sent to subcommittee so that they can take a look at the problem.

Ms. Gorman also said that she spoke with Commissioner Hallisey about her neighbor's fence that is right on the street and her home is located on the curve. The subcommittee will look at the fence placement. *Refer to the fence viewer for fence placement.*

Upon motion duly made by Stephan Hooke, seconded by Ken Galligan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE TO SEE IF PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE AND TAKE A LOOK AT THE FENCE PLACEMENT.

12. 92 ARTHUR STREET

Request received from Councilor Jack Lally on behalf of resident who would like a "Resident Parking Only" sign in front of their house.

Discussion: Councilor Lally stated that the resident reached out to him because of cars possibly conducting illegal activities and sometimes blocks her driveway. Commissioner Hallisey informed Councilor Lally that she should call the police for cars blocking her driveway. Ken Galligan explained that there is a 12 family on Arthur Street and they used to use the school parking lot to park their vehicles during the winter months. The school is gone and now so is the parking. In the winter time they are allowed to park in front of the new houses across the street.

Upon motion duly made by Deputy Chief Kevin Galligan, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.

3 SIGN REQUEST(S):

13. 4 NORTHFIELD STREET

Request received from Adilson Pina for a "No Stopping, Standing At Anytime" on both side of the street because she does not have access to her driveway all the time.

Upon motion duly made by Ken Galligan, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.

14. LINNEA AVENUE

Request received from Virginia Kraus of 21 Linnea Avenue requesting a "No Parking This Side" sign in front of 7 Linnea Avenue and another one halfway up the street. She is requesting this because people are parking on both sides of the street.

Discussion: Ms. Kraus voices her concern about the difficulty for emergency vehicles to drive on the street if vehicles are parked on both sides. She stated that her neighbors as well as herself are getting up in years. Commissioner Hallisey pointed out that there should be no parking midnight to 7:00 a.m. on the even side of the road during the Winter Parking Ban. All year round they park on both sides of the street and block her driveway. There is a no parking sign on a tree on the odd numbered side of the street and it may not be legal. A neighbor at the end of the street parks his Winnebago in the street during the summer taking up parking spaces.

Upon motion duly made by Ken Galligan, seconded by Stephan Hooke, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE AND CHECK RECORDS TO SEE IF NO PARKING SIGN(S) PREVIOUSLY APPROVED. *Secretary reviewed records and there are no "No Parking" signs previously approved on Linnea Avenue.

15. RAINBOW CIRCLE

Request received from Councilor Shirley Asack on behalf of Smith Vil who resides at 59 Rainbow Circle. Mr. Vil is requesting signage to control speeding or making the street a one-way. (Board Members: see attached diagram).

Discussion: Councilor Asack spoke on behalf of Mr. Vil who was on his way and explained in his absence that he has issues as stated and he is not the only one who has complained. Councilor Asack has received several complaints from residents because of the constant speeding and constant accidents. Mr. Vil is requesting the street be made one way and Councilor Asack informed him that this is not easily done. Commissioner Hallisey asked Councilor Asack if the residents wanted a one-way and she stated that she has only received phone calls for complaints of speeding especially by school buses from the George School. Commissioner Hallisey suggested that she contact School Police, Frank Vardaro, to have speeders ticketed. Deputy Superintendent Mike Thomas has been contacted who dealt with the issue and it is an ongoing problem.

Mr. Vil arrived and explained to the board what he was looking for. Commissioner Hallisey informed Mr. Vil that he would need all residents in favor of making the street a one-way. Mr. Vil stated that Rainbow Circle is used as a cut through to get to Battles Street from Belair Street and said that on November 15th a neighbor submitted a complaint on See-Click-Fix. Commissioner Hallisey stated that a call needs to be made because they don't get the information for several hours. Mr. Vil went over where he would like to see 3 stop signs on Rainbow Circle so that vehicles would have to stop and slow down resulting in no speeding. Mr. Vil was asked to narrow down the problem times so that a police cruiser can be dispatched or placed. Mr. Vil agreed that having a police presence may result in people slowing down but to fix long term, perhaps installing the stop signs. Councilor Asack said that complaints she's received is mainly during school dismissal time. Ken Galligan suggested that Mr. Vil contact Councilor Asack or Commissioner Hallisey with more definitive times the speeding occurs and then speed traps could be set up. He further explained that stop signs are put up in conformance with state regulations, that the board cannot arbitrarily install stop signs to stop speeding as it is illegal. He further explained that if Rainbow Circle was made a one-way, the traffic would be diverted to another street causing problems for that street. Mr. Vil was informed that speed bumps could not be installed due to liability.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Hallisey, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.

16. WAITT FUNERAL HOME – 850 NORTH MAIN STREET

Request received from Councilor Shirley Asack on behalf of Greg Belcher to review the traffic issue on North Main Street and traffic blocking funeral home driveway. (Board members: this item was before the board on 1/28/16 and 3/30/17 – attached are excerpts from Minutes).

Discussion: Councilor Asack informed the board that Mr. Belcher appeared before the commission over the past few years and the subcommittee has been there to look at the traffic condition. Mr. Belcher stated that he was before the board again to voice his ongoing concerns about the two lane traffic forming in front of the homes and businesses heading south on North Main Street. Enforcement is needed but due to budget constraints, there is not enough police officers to do enforcement. He suggested the board revisit the site and get some

feedback. He pointed out that the new signs put up at the entrance to the bank (large lime green) appear to have solved that problem of the entrance being blocked and requested that this type of sign be used by his business with the cost being absorbed by them. He also requested slash lines be painted onto the pavement in the spring. He stated that around 5:00 p.m. you have two-lane traffic that definitely creates a safety hazard. He currently is using cones. Commissioner Hallisey spoke to the Chief and hoped that another sergeant will be assigned to traffic after the New Year to assist with enforcement. Councilor Asack stated that she had requested enforcement in the past and understood that they cannot be there all day. The best time to have enforcement is around 5:00 with the evening rush hour. Commissioner Hallisey responded by saying he has 3 that work 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and one that works 4:00 p.m. to midnight. The chief has dedicated at least one person assigned to traffic enforcement.

Deputy Chief Galligan commented that the last time Mr. Belcher was before the board, they voted to move the fog line closer to the sidewalk so that it did not look like a travel lane and asked if that was still closer to the sidewalk which is narrower than a vehicle. Mr. Belcher stated it was wider than it should be and should be moved closer. Also, the striations there are worn and not angled and should be defined better. Commissioner Hallisey suggested to Mr. Belcher that he call the station when the situation gets bad because there is a traffic guy dedicated and the call has to be cleared from the board. Mr. Belcher stated that it's bad between 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. especially now that it's dark and some street lights are out.

Ken Galligan stated that what the problem is is that someone heading south will not block the driveway and waive a vehicle on heading north to turn into the driveway. This driver is unaware of the other lane of traffic and that's what causes the accidents. One of the concerns was to put up a fluorescent yellow sign "watch for turning traffic" and put an arrow like used with crosswalks to inform drivers heading south. Another thing that Mr. Belcher could consider doing is putting a light on the pole on the other side of Main Street like a rental from the Edison company that would light up the driveway.

Councilor Asack informed the board that she also requested a Road Safety Audit from OCPC and heard that they will be looking at the whole section possibly this month.

Upon motion duly made by Ken Galligan, seconded by Stephan Hooke, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.

17. WINTHROP STREET

Request received from James McMorrow, Jr., who resides at 149 Winthrop Street to discuss the parking concerns since the recent installation of "No Parking" signs on the north side of Winthrop Street.

Discussion: Mr. McMorrow was informed by the board that parking on the park side of Winthrop Street was authorized. Ken Galligan stated that during the summer months when the park is in use, no one can park opposite the park.

Upon motion duly made by Ken Galligan, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO TAKE NO ACTION.

18. 71 HIGHLAND TERRACE

Request received from Councilor Tom Monahan on behalf of Moses Mohammed for a Handicap Street Sign in Front of 71 Highland Terrace, Brockton MA 02301 for his mother, Zaitoon Mohammed. Medical documentation has been received.

Upon motion duly made by Ken Galligan, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.

LATE FILE:

19. REQUEST FROM ROB MAY, CITY PLANNER

The developers of 121 Main Street are requesting a temporary construction easement from the City that would close part of the sidewalk and the parking lane on Main Street; and the sidewalk and part of the travel lane on Frederick Douglass. They would remove the parking from FD so the lane with would be maintained.

Discussion: Rob May introduced himself along with Tim Doherty of Neighborworks of Southern Mass (NWSOMA) and engineer Brian Porter who will be developing the property. The site is very tight and in order to facilitate construction they are hoping to be able to enter into an agreement with the City to close part of the parking areas on Main Street and Frederick Douglass Way and shift Frederick Douglass Way over a bit during construction.

Mr. Doherty spoke and gave a brief context on what the project will be. When completed, they will have a 5 story building with 48 units of housing and some ground floor commercial space. They are hoping to begin construction in the spring with being able to get into the ground in April. Mr. Doherty provided diagrams with the finished project along with the construction area that would take around 16 months. They will be taking over the sidewalk on Main Street and 2 parking spaces. On Frederick Douglass Way they will be taking over the sidewalk and about 6-7 parking spaces and shift the travel lane. The roadway width on Main Street is approximately 46'-49' and they are looking to take approximately 15' from the property line to facilitate the construction of the building (façade construction, staging, etc.) and at the 15' line erect a jersey barrier with a fence on top with screening on the fence. They would be taking approximately 11' of sidewalk and 8' of parking.

Deputy Chief Galligan asked if the curb is remaining in the existing place with the finished product and was told that the alignment of the sidewalks will remain unchanged and upon completion, they will be going back with new granite curb stones. Deputy Chief Galligan stated that during construction he can take the pedestrian traffic signal out of there but will need to keep the traffic signal (red, green, yellow) for westbound traffic. He recommends that a temporary traffic signal be put up that is behind the jersey barrier so that it would be out in the street and running the intersection for people so that westbound traffic on School Street have a signal in front of them and use a temporary moveable device so it could be moved as needed. What plans are for traffic signal conduits and foundations that are currently on sidewalk will you be ripping out and replacing. They are studying now to make a determination on whether they will shore up or use the existing foundation. Deputy Chief Galligan asked if there will be temporary arrangements for the sidewalks and asked if they would be putting up signage to have people cross the street at West Elm Street for northbound pedestrian traffic and if not, he would like the diversion placed at West Elm Street (i.e. sidewalk closed ahead, cross here).

Ken Galligan stated that there is a fire hydrant on that corner that will have to be accessible. Since they have restriped Main Street, the travel lanes are very narrow and the left lane travel lane heading north on Main Street, the left lane travel lane is close to parked cars and if a pedestrian stepped out to cross, they would get hit. He suggested signage to prohibit crossing at mid-block. He further stated that Frederick Douglass Way is a major westbound traffic movement for the east side of the city and also for emergency vehicles. He pointed out that vehicles are prohibited from using a section of School Street at Main Street as it is used by emergency vehicles. He voices his concern about traffic gridlock if they shut down Frederick Douglas Way. Rob May pointed out that the construction company is leasing Merian's parking lot to be used as their staging area. Ken Galligan suggested that instead of signs saying no parking that the signage they put up should state no parking, standing or stopping and be good sized bright orange or yellow to stand out. He reiterated the fact that they will be paying for the signs but the Traffic Commission will be involved in the placement of the signs.

Mr. May stated that they have been before the Parking Authority who referred them to the Traffic Commission. At the next Parking Authority meeting, they will be entering into a compensation agreement for the lost spaces.

Upon motion duly made by Deputy Chief Galligan, seconded by Councilor Monahan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: TO ACCEPT THE PLAN WITH THE CONDITION THAT THE DEVELOPER WORKS WITH THE SIGNAL DIVISION TO ADDRESS THE TRAFFIC SIGNALS AND PREVENTION OF DAMAGE AND MAINTENANCE OF THEM AS WELL AS THE PLACING OF SIGNAGE.

DISCUSSION

Ken Galligan wanted to discuss the following issues:

SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING SIGNALS

On West Street near West Junior High, a school zone flashing light was knocked down approximately 2 years ago. A new one was put up last summer with the whole structure up but not working because it's not wired electrically. He stated that there are at least 5 of these lights in this condition around the city and it just seems as though that it ends up in our laps with people complaining about these school zone lights not working with no one taking the responsibility for maintaining these signs. This sign on West Street only requires the Edison Company to put a meter up and run the wire up to the pole and it will be up and working. The Traffic Commission paid a lot of money to put these signs up and he thinks it's a travesty that we as the Traffic Commission seem to hear about this stuff and yet there is not a single agency in this city that wants to take ownership of these lights. He recommended that the Traffic Commission send a formal letter to the Mayor's office that this situation has been brought to our attention and somebody has to make a decision on who is going to take ownership of these and who is going to maintain them.

Deputy Chief Galligan stated that he has brought this issue to the Mayor verbally to try and make a decision on which department would handle these. The Traffic Commission paid for the signals 6-8 months ago and they're still sitting there.

Commissioner Hallisey suggested that this should be under one umbrella and if it is decided that it falls under the Traffic Commission then budgets will have to be increased to pay for the installation and other associated costs. Councilor Beauregard stated that this was the reason why they were looking into creating a Traffic Division.

Ken Galligan stated that it is a simple process that a private contractor puts the signal up, then contacts Edison to put the meter in and the electrician to wire it. He suggested a letter be sent to the Mayor's office to determine who is responsible for school zone flashing lights as this is a public safety issue for children. and then he will recognize that there is a serious problem in the city on how this is going to be resolved.

Councilor Monahan suggested that they file a resolve to bring everyone in that is involved, Traffic Commission, Signal Division, Public Property, DPW and the School Department to discuss. Deputy Chief Galligan suggested they start with a letter to the Mayor's office first. The answer is the Mayor has to designate an individual that is in charge of making sure this gets done.

Commissioner Hallisey stated that he did not know how school zone flashing signals ended up under the Traffic Commission.

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Monahan, seconded by Ken Galligan, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

VOTED: THAT THE SECRETARY DRAFT A LETTER TO THE MAYOR TO BE PROOF READ BY THE COMMISSIONER.

PEDESTRIAN LIGHT – RIGHT ON RED

Ken voices his concern about pedestrians crossing with red lights with no traffic moving and all of a sudden someone in the right lane turns right while the pedestrian is crossing. He asked Commissioner Hallisey if it was a violation that vehicles cannot move on a pedestrian light and was told you cannot and that this is an enforceable offense. Deputy Chief Galligan stated that a concurrent walk is when the pedestrian walks with the green light with cars being able to turn while in crosswalk. According to the MUTCD, no turn on red can be considered at an exclusive pedestrian phase and that you would have to make it a no turn on red. In Boston, the Pedestrian signal has sign watch for turning vehicles and cars have signs that say watch for pedestrian.

Commissioner Hallisey will check on whether it is legal for vehicles to turn right on red at a pedestrian crosswalk when the pedestrian light is on.

Councilor Anne Beauregard wanted to discuss the parking issue at Main Street and Prospect Street. People are parking on both sides even with no parking from here to corner.

Adams Street – residents are having problems with students parking and the no parking signs are faded. Deputy Chief Galligan suggested they take a look at this at subcommittee and if the sign(s) are faded they can be replaced without a vote, just a work order.

Libby Street and Quincy Street – West side of Libby Street you can legally park and people are parking illegally in no parking spots. As far as the parking issue, it was recommended that she put it on the agenda to discuss any change.

Councilor Beauregard asked about the reflective red strips on stop signs missing and was updated by Deputy Chief Galligan that this was not part of the contract and from this point forward they will be used.

Kingman Avenue and Reed – individual who has his own driveway is illegally parking on the wrong side of the road facing the wrong way with his large vehicle.