



**BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION**  
**Thursday, February 28, 2019**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

The Traffic Commission held its regular monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 28, 2019 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 Joseph Solomon, Kenneth Galligan, Councilor Anne Beaugard, Councilor Jack Lally and Stephan Hooke.

Also present was: Councilor Dennis Eaniri, Councilor Susan Nicastro, Joyce Hill, Joanie Rondeau, Stephen Hooke, Sr., Dierdra Bell, Marlene Sullivan, James Cracraft, Sam Lautzenhiser and George Bradshaw.

There being a proper quorum, the meeting was called to order by Commissioner Hallisey. Upon motion made by Councilor Beaugard, seconded by Councilor Lally, and a unanimous vote of all members present, it was voted to waive the reading of the January 24, 2019 Minutes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. CABOT STREET**

*Request received from Councilor Anne Beaugard for no parking signs placed on uneven side of Cabot Ave. Nothing exists there right now and people are parking and blocking driveways or parking on lawns of some of the residents. Those on the even side are having trouble pulling out of their driveways because there is limited room. This is not a big street.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT FOR BLOCKING DRIVEWAYS**

Discussion: Residents appeared to discuss the parking situation which included the inability to get out their driveways, lawns being damaged from vehicles being parked on them and at times, cars being parked in front of their homes and/or on their front lawns. Commissioner Hallisey reiterated that if the driveway is blocked and the resident cannot get out then to call the emergency 911 number to have the car(s) ticketed/towed and to be specific when calling

(need to get out of my driveway). If it is not an emergency then call the business non-emergency line of the BPD. It was suggested that the matter be referred to code enforcement as the residence in question at 23 Cabot Street is a legal 2 family but there are 3 apartments. Deputy Chief Solomon stated that the residence in question was on the Quality of Life agenda and he would follow up with Deputy Chief Williams on the status.

Councilor Lally explained to the residence in attendance that although the See-Click-Fix does not provide immediate results, it does provide a paper trail and councilors receive incident reports for their wards.

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

**VOTED: REFER TO CODE ENFORCEMENT FOR POSSIBILITY OF ILLEGAL APARTMENT. DEPUTY CHIEF SOLOMON WILL FOLLOW UP WITH DEPUTY CHIEF WILLIAMS ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE STATUS.**

**2. JORDAN STREET**

*Request received from Councilor Jack Lally for no parking from here to corner signs on both sides of Jordan Street closer to Hovendon Avenue.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

- **SIGN ON POLE #5 "NO COMMERCIAL STREET" PARKING**
- **SIGN ON NEXT POLE ON JORDAN STREET BY WELLFORD ST SIGN ALSO "NO COMMERCIAL STREET" PARKING**

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

**VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.**

**3. 8, 12 & 18 WELLSFORD STREET**

*Request received from Councilor Jack Lally for resident only parking as residents from other street is parking there.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: DENIED**

Discussion: Councilor Lally stated that he spoke with the residents and informed them to call the non-emergency number if there is a problem.

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

**VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.**

**4. NORTH QUINCY STREET**

*Request received from Councilor Jack Lally for "No Jake Brake" for northbound traffic around 73 North Quincy Street.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

**SIGN ON POLE NORTH BOUND TRAFFIC IN THE VICINITY OF 73 NORTH QUINCY STREET  
"TRUCK QUIET ZONE"**

Discussion: Deputy Chief Solomon provided several types of signs and the board agreed on the "Truck Quiet Zone" in fluorescent yellow with black lettering.

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

**VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.**

**5. HOWARD STREET**

*Request received from Councilor Jack Lally for "No Jake Brake" for southbound traffic at 213 Howard Street.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

**POST AND SIGN IN FRONT OF POLE #30A BACK SIDE OF SIDEWALK BETWEEN #216 AND #220 HOWARD STREET FOR SOUTH BOUND TRAFFIC ON HOWARD STREET (TRUCK QUIET ZONE)**

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

**VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.**

**6. 83 AUBURN STREET**

*Request received from Michael St. Jean for a resident only parking sign in front of his home. For the past 30 years, there was a handicapped child sign there that was knocked down. His handicapped child is now an adult is and lives at home. Mr. St. Jean also has a handicapped placard but is looking for resident only parking, not handicapped parking replacement.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: POSTPONE FURTHER INFORMATION NEEDED\***  
**\*COMMISSIONER HALLISEY STATED THAT HE SPOKE WITH MR. ST. JEAN FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE SIGN REQUESTED. MR. ST. JEAN WOULD LIKE A HANDICAPPED PARKING SIGN.**

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Lally, seconded by Councilor Beaugard, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

**VOTED: TO APPROVE PLACEMENT OF A HANDICAPPED PARKING SIGN.**

**7. BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF BROCKTON – 233 WARREN AVENUE**

*Request received from Derek Heim, President and CEO of the Boys & Girls Club who is looking for no parking/idling sign at several locations in front of their facility. This is requested for the safety of club kids and traffic on Warren Avenue.*

*Secretary check records of No Parking signs on Warren Avenue, West Elm Street and Belmont Street. \*No record of signs on file.*

**VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE AND LOOK AT BOTH SIDES OF WARREN AVENUE BETWEEN WEST ELM STREET AND BELMONT STREET.**

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

**REPLACE “NO PARKING” TO “NO PARKING, STOPPING OR STANDING” ON BOTH SIDES OF STREET FROM WEST ELM PASSED THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB ON BOTH SIDES OF THE STREET  
ADD ADDITIONAL SIGNS IF NEEDED.**

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Beaugard, seconded by Councilor Lally , and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

**VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.**

**8. 11-13 MITCHELL ROAD**

*Request received from Rosemary Igilde requesting no parking signs on the left side of the road close to her driveway to prevent her driveway from being blocked.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

- **CURRENTLY (2) “NO PARKING” SIGNS ON THE EAST SIDE FROM ALLEN STREET TO DEAD END THAT FACE NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC.**
- **ADD (2) NO PARKING SIGNS ON BACK OF CURRENT SIGNS (BACK-TO-BACK)**

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

**VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.**

**9. COURT STREET**

*Request received to review the no parking signage on south side of Court Street from Main Street to Commercial Street and on the north side from Plymouth Street to North Main Street. Also, to look at the signage on the north side of Court Street from North Manchester Street easterly to Taber Avenue.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

- **“NO PARKING” NORTH SIDE OF COURT STREET FROM NORTH MAIN STREET TO PLYMOUTH STREET**
- **“NO PARKING” SOUTH SIDE OF COURT STREET FROM MAIN STREET TO COMMERCIAL STREET.**

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

**VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.**

**10. 861 MAIN STREET**

*Request of Ward 4 Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of Holy Tabernacle Ministries Pentecostal Church, for a second handicapped parking space in front of the Church’s Main Street entrance, to accommodate handicapped attendees, and erection of related signage.*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

- **CHANGE HANDICAPPED SIGN TO “HANDICAPPED ONLY” WITH ARROW GOING SOUTH**
- **ADDITIONAL SIGN ON UTILITY POLE IN FRONT OF 865 MAIN STREET “HANDICAPPED ONLY” WITH ARROW GOING NORTH THUS CREATING SPOTS FOR 2 VEHICLES.**

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

**VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.**

**11. CORNER OF CLIFTON AVENUE & GREEN PLACE**

*Request of Ward 4 Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of a constituent, seeking the placement of a Stop Sign on Green Place, at its intersection with Clifton Avenue, to address repeated vehicular accidents at this location, or such other relief as the Traffic Commission*

may deem appropriate. **(Secretary requested 3 yr. accident history – attached for Commissioner Hallisey, Ken Galligan and Captain Solomon).**

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

- **“STOP” SIGN AND POST ON THE SIDEWALK BY THE DRAIN IN THE WALL FOR NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC ON GREEN PLACE AT CLIFTON AVE**

Discussion: Councilor Nicastro appeared on behalf of the constituent and asked for copies of the accident history at this intersection.

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

**VOTED: TO APPROVE SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION.**

**12. CORNER OF MONTELLO AND NILSSON STREETS**

*Request of Ward 4 Councilor Susan Nicastro on behalf of a constituent, seeking placement of a Stop Sign on all or some of the corners of this intersection, to address repeated vehicular accidents, or such other relief as the Traffic Commission may deem appropriate. (Secretary requested 3 yr. accident history – attached for Commissioner Hallisey, Ken Galligan and Captain Solomon).*

**SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

**REQUEST OCPC FOR A TRAFFIC SURVEY FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS IN ANTICIPATION FOR PLACING TRAFFIC SIGNALS IN THE AREA ALSO FOR GILMORE SCHOOL CROSSING.**

Discussion: Councilor Nicastro appeared on behalf of the constituent and asked for copies of the accident history. In addition to the numerous accidents at this intersection, the intersection is now used by students attending the Gilmore School now that the Huntington School is closed. Councilor Lally stated that the request/installation of traffic lights is a very long process. Ken Galligan suggested that this item be referred to Old Colony Planning Council (OCPC) for a Road Safety Audit (RSA). It was also suggested to let the Mayor know by copy of the OCPC referral for budgetary purposes because if the City pays it may get done quicker.

Councilor Lally informed Councilor Nicastro that when OCPC gather information, they can provide her with copies. Councilor Lally also recommended letting the Mayor know that this has been requested because he will have to work with OCPC. If the City pays for the engineering, the process is quicker.

Ken Galligan pointed out that they also provide short-term solutions.

The secretary will request OCPC do a traffic survey and “cc” to Mayor. The secretary was asked to email copies of the accident reports to Councilor Nicastro.

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

**VOTED: TO REFER TO OCPC FOR TRAFFIC STUDY AND TO COPY THE MAYOR ON THE REFERRAL.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Request made by Commissioner Hallisey to move the March 28<sup>th</sup> meeting to March 21<sup>st</sup> due to the Mayor's State of the City address.**

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

**VOTED: TO MOVE MARCH 28, 2019 MEETING TO MARCH 21, 2019 DUE TO MEETING CONFLICT.**

**1. LEGION PARKWAY**

*Request received from DPW Commissioner Larry Rowley to block off the cut through area on Legion Parkway with jersey barriers.*

Discussion: Commissioner Rowley was not in attendance to discuss this matter further. Rather than postpone, the matter was referred to subcommittee. Commissioner Rowley will be contacted before subcommittee for further clarification.

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

**VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE AND TO SPEAK WITH COMMISSIONER ROWLEY PRIOR TO.**

**2. ADAMS STREET**

*Request received from Councilor Anne Beauregard to discuss the parking issue on Adams Street. Residents are still looking for no parking but they want it at the bottom of Adams Street where Dunkin Donuts is because the employees park on both side as well as trucks. People that live on the street cannot get up and down the street.*

Discussion: Residents appeared to explain the problems experienced with hospital employees parking. They move cones placed and park in spots marked no parking here to corner. People think the resident put the signs up because they're on the fence. The signs had to be placed there because of gas lines. There should be resident parking only on the west side all the way down. There is no parking on the east side. Hospital employees park on lawns and park down

by Dunkin Donuts causing the Dunkin Donuts delivery trucks to park across the street (right side) in the no parking area. Residents commented that there should be a 4-way stop at Adams Street and Quincy Avenue because the cars fly down that street out of Multi-Service and is used as a cut through.

When police are called, they take forever to get there and don't ticket. Commissioner Hallisey stated to keep calling the station because the call is logged and has to be cleared.

Residence requesting "Resident Parking Only" on the west side from Centre Street.

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

**VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.**

**3. CROSSWALK REQUEST – MAIN STREET & E. CHESTNUT STREET**

*Request of Ward 4 Councilor Susan Nicastro, on behalf of a resident, for installation of a crosswalk across Main Street at the intersection of Main and E Chestnut Streets, in front of ~~Cape Cod Cafe~~ Italian Kitchen restaurant, to protect pedestrians, or such other relief as the Traffic Commission may deem appropriate.*

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

**VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.**

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**5.4. RIVERSIDE AVENUE**

*Request of Ward 4 Councilor Susan Nicastro for erection of 'Resident Parking Only' signage along Riverside Avenue in Ward 4 to address the parking of cars along the street that are being worked on by nearby repair shops and/or that belong to train commuters, or such other relief as the Traffic Commission may deem appropriate.*

Discussion: On the Motion, Ken Galligan pointed out that currently on Riverside Avenue it is posted "No Parking" on the east side from Plain Street northerly up to the entrance of the train station. Several no parking signs are missing. The entire east side is currently no parking.

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

**VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.**



**6.5. LOOKOFF STREET**

*Request received from Councilor Anne Beaugard on behalf of neighbors on Lookoff Street to have no parking signs on this side (have a couple but are faded or not visible) resident has young kids and go to school stop and nowhere to walk and have cars go down dead end street. Resident just called because her kids have the week off and even today cars in street and making things tight and with snow tonight again an issue.*

Discussion: Councilor Beaugard appeared and stated residents are concerned about emergency vehicles being unable to get down street due to the parking on both sides.

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

**VOTED: CHECK RECORDS FOR NO PARKING SIGNS\*. REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.**

**\*No record of "No Parking" signs on Lookoff Street.**

**SIGN REQUEST:**

**7.6. BYRON AVENUE**

*Request received by Ayoub Abdi who resides at 51 Byron Avenue to address his parking problem during the Winter Parking Ban. He works nights and cannot park in front of his residence has no place to park when he comes home from work other than across the street (even numbered). As stated, he works nights and is unable to attend the meeting.*

Upon motion duly made by Councilor Beaugard, seconded by Councilor Lally, and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was

**VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.**

**GUARDRAIL REQUEST:**

**8.7. 915 WARREN AVENUE**

*Request received from Margarida Intenque of 915 Warren Avenue for a guardrail in front of her residence for car accident – prevention.*

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

**VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.**

**AGENDA ADDITION – LATE FILE**

Request previously submitted 9/28/17:

**PEARL STREET**

*Request received from Councilor Dennis Eaniri on behalf of some residents on Pearl Street  
For 2 signs going north and south to read:*

1. *“NO ENGINE BRAKE”*
2. *“NO JAKE BRAKE”*

Discussion: Councilor Eaniri appeared to state the above item was presented to the board in September, 2017 which is similar to a couple of items on tonight’s agenda. He would like at least 3 or 4 of these signs placed on Pleasant Street to Belmont Street.

Ken Galligan suggested to refer to subcommittee to determine how many signs are needed and add it to the 2 other items on tonight’s agenda. Hold off on the other items until a determination is needed on this request so that a total amount of signs needed can be ordered together.

A motion was made to hold the work orders for item #4 and #5 to next month until this item is reviewed in subcommittee and voted on.

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

**VOTED: TO REFER TO SUBCOMMITTEE.**

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Mary Milligan, Secretary*