

**Traffic and Safety Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2020**

Attendees: Gordon Stuss, Sgt. Gil Benitez, Lauren Brickner-McDonald, Lisa Duke-Lees, Audrey Lane, Eva Mesicek, Paul Odenwelder, Jennifer Scarpatti

1. Opening Comments: Minutes of 10/15/19 meeting were approved.

2. TSC Final Wildwood School Traffic Recommendations:

Key items discussed: County Engineer's recommendations, meetings with Dr. Azar and residents, observations of Wildwood and Briarcliff Schools traffic patterns.

The following recommendations will be forwarded by Gordon to the Borough Manager:

- a. "Kiss and Go Project": educate residents to encourage more walking. Suggested locations include Briarcliff School, Mtn. Lakes Library, St. Peter's Church and the Community Church.
- b. Move the fence along Kenilworth Rd.: provide better utilization of sidewalk access for walkers.
- c. Bike racks: increase number of bike racks and move racks closer towards school.
- d. Video production: online access for residents, in particular Wildwood and Briarcliff School parents, concerning the traffic and safety regulations around the schools. Production could be conducted by MLHS student for community service hours.
- e. Subscription Bussing: interest was expressed by residents, follow up research needs to be conducted.

3. NJDOT Morris Ave. Sidewalk Grant Update:

Gil reported the following:

In March, if the budget passes, the bid will go out for sidewalk repair in the Spring/Summer.

4. Mirror at exit of Pollard onto Midvale:

Zoning Board, Borough Council, Borough Manager, and resident who owns the property all need to approve the placement of mirror.

5. Speed sign update & next location:

Speed and traffic volume are currently being monitored on Intervale Rd. In August 2019 a monitoring was conducted on Intervale Rd.. Another report will be generated in August 2020 on Intervale Road. Comparisons will be made from the three reports. Speed monitoring signs have also been placed on Morris Ave. (300 block) and along Pocono Rd.

6. Yield sign at Pinewood and Pinewood intersection:

Gil recommended a stop sign instead of a yield sign.

7. Speed limit sign at entrance to Mtn Lakes on Crane Rd:

Signs were posted, Lisa mentioned signs did not conform to other 25 mph signs in town, Gil will check signs.

8. New Business:

Spring inspection of town by members will include looking at 'T' intersections and report back to TSC for the MLPD to observe.

9. Other Comments:

Residents reported cars are parked the length of Melrose and Hanover Roads during the day. Gil will check on the roads.

10. Sustainable NJ - Safe Routes to School/Anti Idling:

Paul reported on the 'No Idling' signs in town. There are signs up in town, some are located at the schools, Birchwood Lake and Island Beach. After construction is completed at Island Beach and MLHS the positioning of signs will be checked and possibly more signs will be installed. Paul asked TSC for recommendations.

Next Meeting: April 21st, 5:30pm at Borough Hall.