



TOWN OF SMITHFIELD

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

REVISED - AGENDA POSTED

THURSDAY, March 7, 2013

The public is welcome to any meeting of the Town of Smithfield Traffic Safety Commission. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation is needed, please contact the Smithfield Town Manager's office at 401-233-1010 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting.

Date & Time: THURSDAY, March 7, 2013 @ 2:00pm

Location: Smithfield Town Hall - 2nd Floor – Town Council Chambers
64 Farnum Pike, Smithfield, RI 02917

- I. Call to Order
- II. Emergency Evacuation and Health Notification
- III. Reading of the Minutes from previous Smithfield Traffic Safety Commission (TSC) meeting
- IV. Communications
 - A. To TSC:
 - 1. Letter dated December 3, 2012, from Steven W. Pristawa, Secretary of the State of RI State Traffic Commission.
 - 2. Letter dated January 14, 2013, from Steven W. Pristawa, Secretary of the State of RI State Traffic Commission.
 - 3. Letter dated February 18, 2013, from Steven W. Pristawa, Secretary of the State of RI State Traffic Commission.
 - B. From TSC:
 - 1. Email dated October 24, 2012, from Sgt. Pezzullo, on behalf of the TSC.
- V. Old Business
 - A. Update on Deerfield Park gate closing decisions (Black Hawk Trail side), from the February 26th, 2013, Town Council Working Meeting.
- VI. New Business
 - * Discuss the proposed RIDOT revamp of the Putnam Pike (Rte.44) and Esmond Street intersection.

- A. Consider submitting a request to the State Traffic Commission, on behalf of the TSC for a review of the timing and sequencing of the traffic control signal at the intersection of Douglas Pike (Rte.7) and Whipple Road. Concern that northbound traffic on Douglas Pike does not allow for adequate time for left turns onto Whipple Road.
- B. Consider submitting a request to the State Traffic Commission, on behalf of the TSC that a section of Limerock Road be widened, in the area of its intersection with Orchard Meadows Drive. Concerns were raised that vehicle speeds, inadequate visibility due to utility poles, and a narrow roadway, causing unsafe road conditions.
- C. Consider submitting a request to the State Traffic Commission, on behalf of the TSC for a review of the timing and sequencing of the traffic control signal at the intersection of Putnam Pike (Rte.44) and Pleasant View Avenue (Rte.116) and/or the reconsideration of the relaxed “No Right on Red” restrictions for southbound Pleasant View Avenue traffic turning right (westbound) onto Putnam Pike. The somewhat recent revision has further restricted the ability of northbound traffic on Greenville Avenue to turn left (westbound) onto Putnam Pike. Presently, “Right on Red” is restricted only from 7-9am and 3-6pm Monday thru Friday. Adoption of this regulation was noted in the State Traffic Commission minutes of November 9, 2011.
- D. Consider installation of a new Stop Sign and the adoption of a new traffic regulation: “Traffic on Cherry Blossom Lane shall stop at Courtland Lane.”
- E. Consider name approval of, “Stone Post Way” for a new subdivision (Stone Post Estates) roadway proposed at 84 Smith Avenue (AP 44 Lot 41).
- F. Discuss the feasibility of making Louise Ann Drive closed to thru traffic. (This is the road that, along with Jaylin Drive, connects Old County Road to the rear parking lot of the Smithfield Town Hall. Concerns are that thru roadways should run through a parking lot.
- G. ~~Discuss the proposed RIDOT revamp of the Putnam Pike (Rte.44) and Esmond Street intersection.~~ MOVED UP ON THE AGENDA. SEE ABOVE.
- H. Consider request to remove the Stop Sign at the intersection of Lisa Ann Circle and Deerfield Drive. Complaint is that traffic on Lisa Ann Circle should not stop for a dead-end street with no traffic.
- I. Consider request to reduce the Speed Limit on Meadow View Drive and/or Valley Way from 25mph to 20mph.

VII. Adjournment