

Traffic and Parking Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 26, 2013

Rockport Police Station, Community Room

In attendance: Tom McCarthy, Joe Parisi, Mitch Vieira

Guests: Zenas Seppala, Paul Weiss

Meeting opened: 1:03 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes of the January 29, 2013 Meeting: Parisi moved to accept the minutes; Vieira seconded and the vote to accept the minutes of the January 29, 2013 meeting was unanimous.

Broadway Avenue: A resident of Broadway Avenue requested, in a letter to this committee, line striping for parking spaces to be done on Broadway Avenue. McCarthy reiterated the past position of this committee has been that striping is not done in non-metered areas. Parisi agreed and moved not do the line striping because it is beyond the standards of this committee; Vieira seconded and the vote was unanimous. A letter will be sent to the resident.

Atlantic Avenue: Previously, the committee sent a letter to Mr. Vassallo requesting that he remove the basketball hoop in the street and no action has been taken at this time. Parisi asked that the committee proceed to the next level in the process of removal. The snow plows are having difficulty in the area due to the hoop. Vieira agreed to contact town council to determine the next step in the process to enforce removal of the basketball hoop.

Parking Plan for Evans Way: Parisi reported that a proposal to upgrade Evans Field is being developed and will be presented to the Community Preservation Committee for funding. The proposal will include a plan for a formal entrance to the field and the delineation of parking spaces.

King Street: Mr. Weiss asked for an update on the previously discussed designation of "Compact Car" parking spaces by his driveway on the intersection of Beach Street and King Street. When larger vehicles park there, it is extremely difficult to safely back out of his driveway. Parisi acknowledged that when the site visit was completed, he did not consider the visual limitation when backing up. Parisi agreed that the DPW will install a "Compact Car" sign on the telephone pole there.

Traffic Rules and Regulations: McCarthy reported that the Traffic Rules and Regulations are currently being updated. The rules and regulations were originally adopted in 1977 and need to be reviewed and updated. Vieira confirmed the procedure for re-adoption by the Board of Selectmen is straightforward.

Parisi motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:45 p.m.; Vieira seconded and it was voted unanimously.