

Traffic Advisory Committee

Minutes of Public Hearing

November 13, 2003, 7:12pm – 7:50pm

In attendance:

MaryJo Frisoli, Tim Riley, Andrea Masciari, Tom Gatzunis, Sargeant Kenneth Hamilton

Marlboro Street Neighbors:

Pamela Young	230 Cross Street (owner of Marlboro Street house)
Kristine Chamberlain	32 Marlboro
Pamela J. Price	64 Hoitt Road, Treasurer of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Playmates Preschool
Stephen Kelly and Stephanie Kelly	81 Marlboro Street
Katherine Kelly	Owner 72/74 Marlboro Street
Michael McHugh	11 Oxford Avenue
Paolo Marinelli	

Residents expressed concern with respect to a proposed turn restriction onto Marlboro Street/Trapelo Road

Sergeant Hamilton (KH) explained the traffic count graphs that he handed out. Between 9/17 and 9/23/2003 – the speed survey says that the 85th percentile speed was below 30 mph. Vehicles were counted coming northbound and southbound before Unity.

On 9/18/03 between 4-6pm – 167 vehicles – cannot determine where commuters live (in neighborhood or somewhere else)

Construction can increase or decrease numbers, but there is often construction, so it is difficult to do a proper survey.

Since the street is a public way, KH said that "we can restrict it, but we can't restrict it for residents on the street." One resident expressed concern of residents having to drive all around to get to their homes.

Resident - concerned that Public Hearing Notices sent to owners only, not tenants, of which there are many living on these streets. Tom Gatzunis explained that the Town is only required to notify owners.

Mike McHugh (MM) – Lives on Oxford and is against the turn restriction. Feels that speeds are not excessive and that Unity and Fairview will feel the most impact.

KH – Turn restrictions at Marlboro and Oxford will cause Grove Street to be impacted with more traffic and longer traffic queues. About 15 years ago, there was a "No left turn" sign from Grove to Unity. Sign was stolen a few times. All attendees are in favor of turn restriction except for MM.

Pamela Price (PP) There is a preschool on the street that is restricted to 40 kids, most of whom arrive between 8:30-8:45 am. Concern of traffic impact is primarily in evening. In the morning hours, much of the traffic is probably parents dropping off kids.

TAC will discuss restrictions and times and whether to restrict both ways at its next meeting on November 19, 2003 in Conference Room 4.

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