

# Town of Belmont, MA

## Traffic Advisory Committee (T.A.C.)

---

2015 NOV 10 AM 9:07

Meeting Minutes, June 11, 2015

**Members Present:** Joe Griffin, Larry Macdonald (Vice Chair), Don Mercier, Dana Miller (Clerk), Tomi Olson, Matt Sullivan.

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Glenn Clancy (Town Engineer), Sargent Benjamin Mailhot (Belmont Police Department). Jim Williams (Belmont Board of Selectmen) was also present at the beginning of the meeting.

**Also Present:** Don Becker (legal representative for a resident), 35 Horne Road; Mary Beekman, 18 Kilburn Road; Alison (President of the Tennis Club) and John Borelli, 290 School Street; Arline Davis, 18 Blake Street; Debra Deutsch, 56 Hull Street; Lou Graham, 254 Waverly Street; Anders Busse Jensen, 63 Kilburn Road; John and Sandra Occhino, 18 Hull Street; Heather Nahas, 21 Blake Street; Sameul S. Robinson, 88 Kilburn Road; Jeff Roth, 78 Watson Road; George Sareraund, 14 Hull Street; Ligang Zhang and Wen Liu, 33 Hull Street.

**Mr. MacDonald called the meeting to order at 7:12pm.**

**Blake Street:** Mr. Clancy explained that, after the TAC passed a motion to install a sign prohibiting parking within 35 feet of the intersection of Blake Street and Kilburn Road, he received communications from additional residents that were also concerned about parking in the neighborhood and from the President of the Belmont Tennis Club, who opposed the new parking prohibition. Mr. Clancy arranged for this evening's hearing so that those concerned could discuss the parking prohibition.

The club president read information about the Tennis club and then discussed at length her disagreements with one resident about on-street parking. The TAC reminded the club president that it was inappropriate to repeatedly refer to a resident by name. Multiple residents reported that tennis club members were rude and hostile to the residents. Multiple residents also reported their concerns about emergency vehicles making their way down Blake Street and Kilburn Road when cars were parked at the side of the road. One resident and her lawyer expressed concern about the road's pinch point, where the road is constrained by a tree opposite 18 Blake Street. The lawyer asked the TAC to protect the safety of the neighborhood residents by limiting on-street parking at the pinch point so emergency vehicles can access the residences.

As Sargent Mailhot had suggested in the March 12, 2015 meeting, Mr. Griffin suggested that parking on Blake Street be restricted to one side of the street so that emergency vehicles can access the street.

TAC members wondered if the tree opposite 18 Blake Street is healthy or not and whether it is on town or private property. One resident reported that the tree regularly loses large branches.

Public discussion of this topic ended at 7:48pm. The TAC moved to re-affirm its decision that a "No Parking" sign be installed on Blake Street, 35 feet from the intersection with Kilburn. The TAC also moved that the town evaluate the tree opposite 18 Blake Street to determine if it is healthy and if it is on town property. Further, the TAC recommended that the town fire department evaluate Blake Street and Kilburn Road to determine if emergency vehicles can access the roads with cars parked on one or both sides of the road. Finally, the TAC agreed that Glenn will send out notices to residents in this area for a hearing to be held in the fall to discuss the possibility of restricting parking to one side of the street on both Blake Street and Kilburn Road.

**Hull Street (8:08pm):** Residents reported that the two-hour parking restriction near the intersection of Trapelo Road is not enforced. As a result, some cars are parked all day and cars coming from opposite directions cannot pass each other on the street. Residents reported that cars park over the berm and on lawns. Mr. MacDonald observed that cars also park on the gas station driveway, despite the "No Parking" sign posted there. Sargent Mailhot will have enforcement officers check the area.

**Jeff Roth and Bicycles in Belmont (8:20pm):** Mr. Roth advocated for measures to make Belmont safer for bicyclists. He asked about covered bike parking and spoke about a MAPC grant program that provides discounted rates for these covered racks. He also asked about plans for bike lanes on Belmont roads. Mr. Clancy suggested that the town public works manager would need to confer with the town administrator and the BOS to explore what resources might be available to paint bike lanes.

**Dalton Road (8:43pm):** The TAC reviewed a resident letter describing safety concerns at the intersection of Livermore and Dalton Roads. Mr. Clancy suggested that the TAC consider whether or not a four-way stop would be appropriate at this intersection while also considering the advisability of four-way stops at the following intersections: Oakley and Payson, Oakley and Cushing, Payson and Cushing, Slade and Creeley, Horace and Gilbert/Brettwood, Lexington and Beech/Burnham. Mr. Clancy suggested that, in considering these intersections, the TAC should review data on accident histories, traffic volumes, and geometry/visibility at the intersections. TAC members will visit these intersections and plan to

discuss them—and any other intersections about which TAC members are concerned—in the fall.

**Mill Street:** As he did at the previous meeting, Don Mercer raised his concerns about traffic safety at the intersection of Mill Street and Concord Avenue. The TAC again discussed previous plans it had developed to address safety concerns at this intersection and resident resistance to the proposed changes. TAC members discussed the possible merit of a traffic circle to control traffic at the intersection.

**Other Business:** There will be no TAC meetings in July or August of 2015. A hearing on Brighton Street traffic restrictions will be held in the fall.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dana Miller, Clerk



# Traffic Advisory Committee TOWN OF BELMONT

19 Moore Street  
Homer Municipal Building  
Belmont, Massachusetts 02478-0900  
Telephone: (617) 993-2650 Fax: (617) 993-2651

Linda Nickens, Chair  
Laurence Macdonald, Vice Chair  
Dana Miller, Clerk

Peter Curro  
Joseph Griffin  
Donald Mercier  
Tommasina Olson  
Matt Sullivan

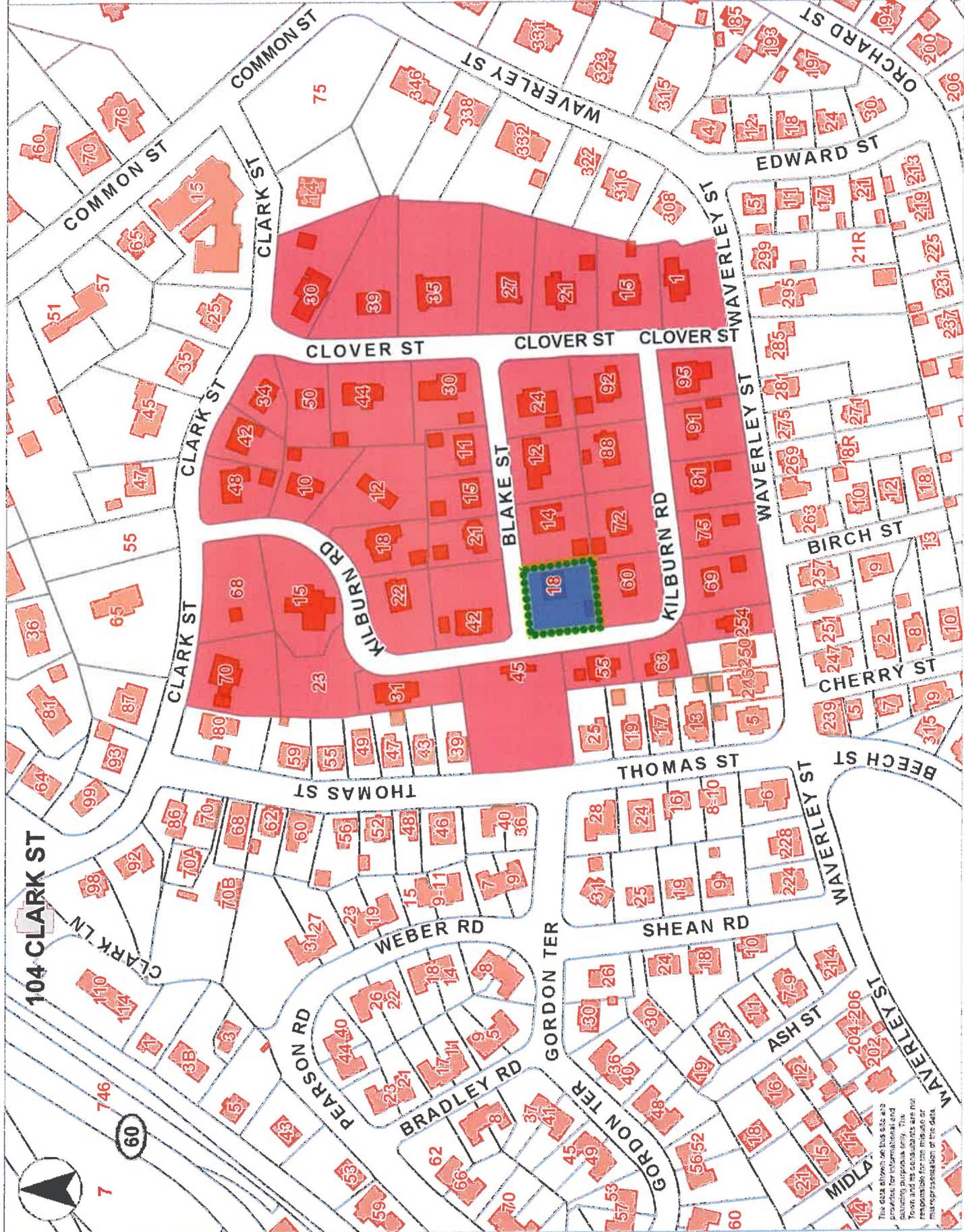
**Date:** June 8, 2015  
**To:** Members – Traffic Advisory Committee  
**From:** Linda Nickens, Chair  
**Subject:** Agenda for Meeting on **Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 7:00 PM in Town Hall Conference Room 2.** If you cannot attend the meeting, please contact Linda via e-mail.

- 7:00 – 7:05 Minutes (May 14, 2015)
- ✓ 7:05 – 7:30 Public Hearing - Blake Street (Blake Street Resident)
- Proposed No Parking - 12 Blake Street Frontage
- 7:35 – 7:40 Old Business
- Other (No Known Items)
- 7:40 – 7:55 New Business
- Hull Street Parking (Hull Street Resident) - *Bev to ENFORCE*
  - Dalton Road and Livermore Road Intersection (Resident)
    - Four way Stop Request - *JEFF ROTH.*
  - Other (No Known Items) - *4 WAY STOP CONTROL LIST.*
- 7:55 Adjourn

Cc: Board of Selectmen – Jim Williams  
David Kale, Town Administrator  
Glenn R. Clancy, Town Engineer  
Sgt Ben Mailhot, Belmont Police Department  
Richard McLaughlin, Belmont Police Chief  
Jay Marcotte, Director, Department of Public Works  
Karl Haglund, Planning Board



- Town-Owned Buildings
- McClean Buildings
- Buildings
- Parcels
- Town Boundary
- MA Highways
- Interstate
- US Highway
- Numbered Routes
- Charles\_poly
- Charles\_arc
- Abutting Town Labels
- Abutting Towns
- Roads
- Major Road, Collector
- Minor Road, Arterial



7 746 60

The data shown on this site is provided for informational and planning purposes only. The Town and its subcontractors are not responsible for the mis-use or misrepresentation of the data.

Parcel ID: 25-57  
DAVIS TR ARLINE  
ARLINE DAVIS TRUST  
18 BLAKE ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-51  
CRONIN TE JAMES D  
LENORA A CRONIN  
21 CLOVER ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-64  
TORREY CAROL  
50 CLOVER ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-67  
SCHRECKINGER TE STEVEN L  
REBECCA VOSE  
48 CLARK ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-68  
MURPHY TE STEPHEN E  
CAMMIE L HENDERSON  
10 KILBURN ROAD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-78  
HAMER TE DAVID J  
LYN D HAMER  
81 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-99-A  
CARYE JT MEGHAN E  
AMANDA C CARYE  
35 HANCOCK STREET  
LEXINGTON, MA 02421

Parcel ID: 25-55  
STOSSEL TE THOMAS P  
KERRY MAGUIRE  
12 BLAKE ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-56  
GREENBERG TR SUZANNE B  
SUZANNE B GREENBERG TRUST  
14 BLAKE ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-59  
GALLAGHER TE JOHN E  
KELLIE N GALLAGHER  
72 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-62  
HOGAN TE WILLIAM  
JENNIFER HOGAN  
30 CLOVER ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-98  
SOMMERS TC NANCY I  
JOSHUA M ALPER  
70 CLARK ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-47  
SMITH MICHAEL N  
30 CLARK ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-50  
JOZEFIAK TE THOMAS  
LEE KRONICK  
27 CLOVER ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-58  
STRONG TE BRUCE  
CHRISTINA LONG  
60 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-73  
WAUGH TE MATTHEW  
HEATHER NAHAS  
21 BLAKE ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-75  
FARMER PATRICIA  
11 BLAKE ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-80  
BURNS TE DAVID R  
CYNTHIA J BURNS  
69 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-71  
MCCARTHY TRS VIRGINIA M  
MCCARTHY TRS GEORGE W  
22 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-103  
EGAN TR ANN MARIE  
EGAN FAMILY REVOCABLE  
55 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-104  
JENSEN TE ANDERS  
MARIANNE BUSSE  
63 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-72  
BURKITT TE ROBERT B  
GRETCHEN M MCCAREY  
42 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-81  
GRAHAM TE LOUIS W JR  
ANNE HARTWELL GRAHAM  
254 WAVERLEY ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-48  
TUBBY CLARA F  
39 CLOVER ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-54  
MALLINGER TE JAMES H  
ELIZABETH R GOTTI  
24 CLOVER STREET  
BELMONT, MA 02478



Parcel ID: 25-70  
WARNER W DAVID  
18 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-53  
FIRENZE TE ANGELO  
WEGA G FIRENZI  
1 CLOVER ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-69  
WYLIE TE JOHN VOORHEES JR  
BLAIR JOHNSON WYLIE  
12 KILBURN ROAD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-76  
LEFEBVRE TE XAVIER P  
MOJGAN M LEFEBVRE  
95 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-77  
WARD TRS ETAL MARGARET ME  
ROBERT DEC WARD TRUST  
91 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-89  
BELMONT TENNIS CLUB  
C/O TREASURERS OFFICE  
PO BOX 142  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-99  
CARYE TE EDWARD F  
CHRISTINE A CARYE  
15 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-99-B  
CARYE JT MEGHAN E  
AMANDA C CARYE  
35 HANCOCK STREET  
LEXINGTON, MA 02421

Parcel ID: 25-101  
OLDMAN TE ANDREW Q  
MADELEINE O OLDMAN  
31 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-61  
NOLIN TE CHRISTOPHER E  
ANDREA MASON NOLIN  
92 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-63  
LILLEY TE DAVID  
KAREN LILLEY  
44 CLOVER ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-66  
DOYLE TRS JOAN C & JOHN  
JOAN DOYLE FAMILY TRUST  
42 CLARK ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-52  
TINMOUTH TE BRIAN  
BRIT K DEWEY  
15 CLOVER ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-65  
CAPLAN TE JAY D  
ELENA CAPLAN  
34 CLARK ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-60  
ROBINSON CATHERINE G  
88 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-74  
DUNN TE JAMES M  
CHRISTINE O DUNN  
15 BLAKE ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-49  
ANTONIADIS TE GEORGE A  
DIANA V CHIGAS  
35 CLOVER ST  
BELMONT, MA 02478

Parcel ID: 25-79  
MORIARTY TE JEFFREY  
KELLY MORIARTY  
75 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT, MA 02478

# ANDREW Q. OLDMAN

31 KILBURN RD  
BELMONT MA 02478

June 8, 2015

**TO:** Mr. Glenn Clancy, Belmont Traffic Department

**RE:** **Belmont Tennis Club Parking Issues**

Dear Mr. Clancy,

## A. NEW PARKING SIGN

It has been brought to my attention that our neighbor Ms. Davis has requested a no parking sign across from the large tree on Blake Street. I fully concur that this is absolutely necessary as if a car is parked along her property at this location it is extremely difficult to drive a Suburban, pickup truck etc past there; more importantly, if emergency equipment such as an ambulance or fire truck needed to get by, that would be impossible. Thus we fully support such a sign.

## B. PARKING ON EAST SIDE OF KILBURN ROAD

I would also suggest that any parking be banned on the East side of Kilburn Road, as frequently on weekend afternoons Tennis Club parking occurs on that side, usually fully obstructing the street from any vehicle other than compact type cars.

## C. SLOW SIGN or RAISED TABLE

I would further suggest that your department consider either signage or preferably a raised table at the curve to the south of the intersection of Kilburn and Clark, as this curve is obstructed by trees and bushes, and I am sorry to say it is usually Tennis Club members who speed around this turn.

We fully enjoy the sounds and camaraderie of the Tennis Club; but it is clear that their parking behavior / habits needs some official direction from the Town of Belmont at this time. Best to do this at the beginning of the season to get everyone off to a good start.

Unfortunately, I have a prior commitment out of state on the date of your meeting, hence this letter.

Cordially

Andrew Q. Oldman

COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT

Dear Traffic Advisory Committee,

I am Haesoo Ra, the residence of 50 Livermore Road. My street meets Dalton Road where stop sign is at my side and the other way(at Dalton Rd side), there is no stop sign nor reduce speed children signs to slow down cars.

I came to write you to let you all know that there should be some way to slow down cars such as stop sign for all way or any kids alerting sign or any proper ways to slow down cars. As I have seen so many cars speeding down the Dalton street with no caution passing through Livermore Rd and Shaw Rd, and if I should point out, we(Livermore Rd neighbors) have LOTS of kids between 5-10 years old around here my neighbor including mine are very active kids playing around the street. And often I see cars zooming down Livermore/Dalton road makes us, parents extremely scared. It is the age learning to do bicycling, scootering, running...etc. and also in the process of learning to be safe but still not learned perfectly(even there is no prefect way to be safe but meaning the best way to caution to be safe).

Also if I stop in front of my house at the stop sign, facing school street, it is quite hard to see the car coming down from Washington st through Dalton Rd unless I pull bit further to the front because big tall bush is covering the sight from right hand side corner. Each time I come cross the stop sign, I get nervous and I am sure I am not the only one and heard some honking sounds several sounds in this intersection. Next doors of my neighbors and several families showed a big concerned how cars go fast down Livermore Rd and Dalton Rd, even sometime look very carefully before pulling back our car from our drive way, several times we have been facing missing a car and find one is just behind us because some cars make turn too fast.

Neighbors have been tried to put slow down signs on their yard but hopefully it can be more permanently signed to alert people with cars that there are small kids around, or even a stop sign to make cars flow slow. At least seven households plus more are around have active kids around Livermore Rd. who frequently crossing the street and playing at front yard. Kids who likes to go around Livermore Rd to Herbert/Hartley to Shaw Rd to Dalton Rd. And this is to minimize big street.

For above reasons, I think our neighbor must have a good, noticeable sign to slow down the street not letting cars zooming the Dalton Rd. to minimize and to prevent from any accident might happen. I even happened to witness several times, not stopping cars at all way Stop sign where at Dalton Rd cross Betts Rd.

I think a proper sign and educating children, watching them closely which I do 99% should protect our children's safety and including any neighbor's safety as well. And I am sure it will promote more pleasant neighborhood and all I am trying to here is reaching for a proper help to protect our kids and neighbors.

I really appreciate taking each of your time to read through my letter. And I hope to hear from you with a good news.

Thanks,  
Haesoo Ra  
50 Livermore Rd  
Belmont, MA 02478  
617.993.3279

 5.5.2015

## **Four Way Stop Control Intersections for Study**

### **Candidates**

Oakley Road at Payson Road

- Stop on Payson Road

Oakley Road at Cushing Avenue

- Stop on Cushing Avenue

Payson Road at Cushing Avenue

- Stop on Cushing Avenue

Dalton Road at Livermore Road

- Stop on Livermore Road

Slade Street at Creeley Road

- Stop on Creeley Road

Horace Road at Gilbert Road / Brettwood Road

- Stop on Gilbert Road and Brettwood Road

Lexington Street at Beech Street / Burnham Street

- Stop on Beech Street and Burnham Street

### **Study Items**

Accident History

Traffic Volumes

Geometry / Visibility

Per the MUTCD Stop signs are not to be used for speed control