

Town of Belmont, MA

Traffic Advisory Committee

Minutes of Meeting June 10, 2010

Members present: Linda Nickens, Andrea Masciari, Laurence Macdonald , Tommasina Olson, Ron Sacca.

Ex-Officio members present: Glenn Clancy, PE

Absent: Dana Miller, Peter Curro and Sgt. Shea, BPD

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 PM by Linda Nickens, Chair.

East Cambridge Savings Bank: 395 Trapelo Road, New Bank Proposal and Traffic Review

Joan Langsam, Attorney for ECSB introduced John Cavanaro, Cavanaro Consultants, Project Manager for ECSB. John Cavanaro presented a proposed plan by ECSB to develop and build a new bank on the site at 395 Trapelo Road and Davis Road. Entry would be from Davis Road, a one way street from Trapelo Road. An 18' wide entrance from Davis Road would be required and a 30' wide exit to Trapelo Road would also be required. There would be a drive thru lane, an ATM lane and an exit lane. Glenn Clancy, Town Engineer approves the project. BSC Traffic Consultants will be consulted as to traffic exiting onto Trapelo Road in relation to the proposed reconstruction of Trapelo Road. The Shade Tree Committee will be consulted as to placement of trees in relation to the project. LN said this project is similar to the Cambridge Savings Bank in Arlington Center. Some concern about the need for 3 exit lanes was expressed. It was suggested that the developer consider an alternative to having 3 exit lanes onto Trapelo Road. Also, Davis Road would remain one way from Trapelo Road. After a brief discussion Andrea Masciari moved and Ron Sacca seconded a motion to approve the East Cambridge Savings Bank Project as presented with the alternative exit plan.

The Motion was passed unanimously.

Upper Concord Avenue Update:

Glenn Clancy said that there will be no granite curbing along the cemetery. On the north side, the sidewalk where existing will need to be justified. The crosswalk where located will not be

raised. As to a stop sign on Concord Avenue at Mill Street, possible alternatives should be looked into.

Cross Street/Lake Street Crosswalk:

It is recommended that this issue be further investigated. There are questions about exact location of proposed crosswalk.

New Business:

Beech Street E-mail. In response to an e-mail about speed on newly paved Beech Street. Glenn Clancy stated that no striping and parking on both sides of Beech Street where allowed should slow traffic down.

Old Business:

Ron Sacca brought up the issue of Fairview Avenue and Grove Street intersection. Linda Nickens suggested the possible use of a rumble strip to slow traffic. It was felt that it would be too noisy for residents. Glenn Clancy said that the use of 4 Way Stop signs here would require a study. Ron Sacca still has serious doubts about the proposed 4 Way Stop at the School Street and Goden Street intersection.

Andrea Masciari moved and Larry Macdonald seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Laurence P. Macdonald, Clerk

Guests Present:

Joan Langsam, Atty ECSB

Stephen Kelly, ECSB

Craig A. Fishman, NES Group

John Cavanaro, Cavanaro Consultants, Project Mgr ECSB