

**CITY OF CONCORD  
TRAFFIC OPERATIONS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF January 17, 2023**

The Traffic Operations Committee (TOC) met at 9:00 am on January 17, 2023  
in the Second Floor Conference Room, City Hall, 41 Green Street.

*Attendees:* Martha Drukker, John Thomas, Kevin Demers, Heather Shank, Alec Bass

*Absent:* Karen Hill, Terry Crotty, Matt Cashman, and Fred Reagan.

*Guests:*

**1. Introductions**

**2. Regular Discussion Items**

**a. *Approval of Minutes – November 15, 2022***

The meeting minutes of November 15, 2022 were approved.

*Motion:* Demers. *Second:* Thomas. *Unanimous.*

*Comments:* Thomas noted that the minutes from November had incorrect information “Thomas will follow up on 3 accidents at N Main and Pleasant in *September*”. Should state *October*.

**b. *Overview of City-Wide Crash Data***

November crash data was submitted in advance of the meeting. It was discussed that accident numbers were high, but there were no obvious trends or problem areas. December numbers were not submitted as John Thomas stated they were using a new data program (ECRASH).

Crash data for November 2022 was reviewed. There were 95 reportable crashes in November 2022. This compares with 107 and 78 reportable crashes in November 2021 and 2020, respectively. 16 crashes resulted in a total of 21 people injured. There were no fatalities. There was 1 reported crashe involving bicyclists in November, a report summarizing the accidents was included in the agenda package.

**c. *City Council Meeting Update***

At the December meeting, City Council approved the Lilac/Borough intersection improvements. This work will be completed by GSD in conjunction with their 2023 paving program. The recommended clearing along the corner of Borough Road has been completed and has received positive feedback. The City Manager

applied for CMAQ program funds for the McKee Square intersection improvement project. The City should hear back from the State in June.

**d.** *Transportation Policy Advisory Committee (TPAC) Update*

The Committee support the McKee Square CMAQ application at their December meeting. There was discussion regarding the annual paving program and how it coordinates with other transportation projects recommended by TOC or other committees and how can we better coordinate those projects so they are included with the paving projects. The Mayor requested Chip Chesley do a presentation of the annual paving program. It was also discussed that Engineering is working with GSD on coordinating CIP projects. There was public comment surrounding the lack of sidewalk on the south side of Pleasant Street. The next meeting is scheduled for January 26<sup>th</sup>.

**3. Ongoing Discussion and Action Items**

**a.** *None*

**4. New Discussion and Action Items**

**a.** *Resident request for guardrail along frontage of 245 Loudon Road.*

It was discussed that during the summer of 2022 a camper drove onto the front lawn. Hodges owns the property, a representative reached out looking to have a guardrail installed on the front of the property. Thomas will run accident data over the past 5 years. Martha will reach out to the resident after reviewing accident report. It was decided to not install guardrail, but maybe landscape boulders. The Committee did not make a recommendation pending additional information.

**b.** *Resident request for an overhead street light at the corner of Fayette and S State St.*

The intersection of South Street and Fayette Street has a crosswalk and is very dark without a street light. Hill asked resident on South Street if the City could move light on the back corner of his home on Fayette to the corner. The resident requested the light remain and an additional light be installed on the corner. ESD is working with Util to see if light can be added to existing utility pole. ESD is also checking the Flatley project for proposed lighting in the area.

**c.** *Referral from Councilor Kretovic regarding residents' traffic concerns along N State St.*

It was discussed that residents are concerned about speeding traffic on North State Street near Lake Street. A pedestrian was recently struck crossing the street in the area which resulted in a fatality. Drukker will ask Thomas for more information on the incident. ESD to review the sight lines in the area. Demers

confirmed there is currently a stop sign on Lake Street. Review and analysis ongoing.

**d.** *Referral from Councilor Rice Hawkins regarding request for a mirror at the intersection of Putney Ave and East Side Dr.*

The resident is looking to have a traffic mirror added to pole at the intersection of East Side Drive and Putney Ave. Traffic in this area tends to be moving quickly. The Committee did not recommend a mirror, as they are not installed within the City ROW, but would like to continue the review of sight lines and potential brush clearing along the roadway.

*Next Meeting:* February 21, 2023.

*Motion:* Demers. *Second:* Thomas. *Unanimous.*

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 am.