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## 10/09/2013 Minutes

### Town of Arlington Transportation Advisory Committee

Minutes of 10/9/2013, 7:15 pm to 9:30 pm, Town Hall Annex, Second Floor Conf. Room.

Minutes submitted by Laura Wiener.

**Members and Associates Present:** Wayne Chouinard, Len Kardon, Paul Kent, Marjorie Moores, Howard Muise, Richard Turcotte, Laura Wiener

**Missing Members and Associates:** Jeff Maxtutis, Jean Clark, Corey Rateau, Elisabeth Carr-Jones, Scott Smith.

**Members of the Public Present:** None

- Public Comments. None.
- Administration.
  - Minutes of 9/11/13 were approved unanimously
  - There was no correspondence. Other handouts were reviewed. Rich reported that the Executive Committee is working on streamlining some of the administrative handouts and will be sending them out ahead of the meeting for edits.
- Town reports.
  - Laura (Planning) reported that a consultant was chosen for the Arlington Center Parking Study, Nelson/Nygaard. There were 3 consultants who responded to the RFP. CLAMP public meeting is scheduled for Nov. 6 in the Senior Center. Mass. Ave. Project is out to bid, with bids due in January. Anticipated start of construction is spring, 2014. Key Bus Routes program is underway. Pavement marking in some areas will be done by DPW, where Mass. Ave. is being repaved.
  - Wayne (DPW) reported that DCR is starting work at Mystic Valley Parkway rotary. Wayne and Laura will walk the Key Bus Routes project area and make a punch list of items still needing attention. Bike pavement markings along Mass. Ave. will be painted between 10/8 and 10/12. He met with Jason Sobel about Mass/Jason/Mill intersection and adjoining roadway. Looking at Spengler/Water/Mass. Ave intersection for phase 2 improvements.
- Members' Handbook. Handbook has been distributed. Open Meeting Law has been interpreted to allow Working Groups to gather information but decision making is by TAC at advertised public meetings.
- TAC funding. Ed talked to Al Tosti, Finance Committee Chair, who suggested we file a warrant article to request \$25,000 for future TAC projects.
- Crosswalks at Spengler/Water/Mass. Ave. Following the summer repairs to the historic Library Wall, the Town needs to replace the wheelchair ramps at the intersection. Wayne would like to schedule a meeting with the Working Group to look at recommendations from previous report. Hope to be ready for spring construction. Working Group is Ed, Scott, Corey, Howard.
- Lowell and Mass. Ave. Wayne reported that this area will be paved next year. It is a very wide opening. Would like to consider alternatives to improve safety at the intersection. New Working Group formed: Wayne (lead), Len, Rich, Howard, Ed and Jeff.
- Appleton St. No progress
- Mill Street Flashing Beacon: Need to continue observations and make report to ARB.

- Flag Program. School Dept. has agreed to fund the program with \$500.
- Sidewalks. Wayne reported that Gray St. will be paved in 2014-15, including sidewalks and wheelchair ramps.
- Thermoplastic Crosswalks. Epoxy is the new thermoplastic. Easier to work with and cheaper.
- Lake Street. Analysis of intersections is underway.
- Ridge Street. Wayne reported the street is not suitable for painting a center line, as requested. Wayne and Scott will draft a response to the request, which came from Selectmen.
- Jason Street cut-through. Rich is summarizing data. Will schedule a Working Group meeting followed by a neighborhood meeting.
- Edgehill Road. No progress.
- Gibbs School. Wrapped up. Need to write memo to Selectmen.
- Paul Revere Road. Need to schedule Working Group meeting.
- Broadway and Palmer. No progress reported.
- Adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Meeting Materials:

- Meeting Packet for October: Agenda; Minutes of 9/11/2013; Working Group list dated 10/9/13; Project Status and Source, 10/9/2013; Individual Action List from 9/11/13; Status of TAC Approved Actions, 10/11/13; Current Projects Tracker.
- Memo to TAC from Wayne Re. TAC Update Items, dated October 9, 2013.