Transportation Advisory Committee

December 9, 2015, 7:20 pm to 8:50 pm, Town Hall 2nd floor conf. room

Present: Wayne Chouinard, Seth Federspiel, Mike Gordon, Howard Muise (chair), Melissa Laube, Marjorie Moores, Scott Smith (minutes), Jeanette Rebecchi

Missing members: Jeff Maxtutis, Cary Conrad, Laura Wiener, Corey Rateau, Victor Rivas, John

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Public Comments: none

Correspondence: Howard reviewed the correspondence and action list. Wayne will send the Daniels/Richardson no action recommendation to the Board of Selectmen.

November Minutes were approved.

Town Reports: DPW (Wayne)

- Mass. Ave. East Arlington project is mostly done, but two significant issues remain:
 - Delay in obtaining detection equipment to enable fully actuated signal operation.
 Without full actuation, signal operation is not as efficient as it could be. However, once the equipment is acquired, it can be installed, even in cold weather.
 - Eversource still needs to relocate wires to new poles. Sidewalk work cannot be completed until Eversource is done.
- CLAMP project construction in Arlington Center is planned for spring 2016. National Grid is finished with its work in the Center.
- Mugar received 40B approval from MassHousing.
- Wayne, as Laura's alternate, will be attending the MPO meeting this week.

Complete Streets - Scott reviewed the draft policy recently completed by Laura and the Complete Streets working group. The policy needs to be approved by the Board of Selectmen, and it will be brought back to TAC for endorsement in January.

Jason Street – Howard reported that the Board of Selectmen approved a request for a truck exclusion; it has been sent to MassDOT. Scott noted that several landscape contractors expressed concern about the exclusion during the public comment period at the 12/7 Board of Selectmen meeting.

Lowell Street / Reservoir Traffic Calming – Wayne reported that DPW expects to have a concept plan ready for review in January.

Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) Maps – Marjorie reported that the SRTS committee will be meeting on 10 December, and will review the maps.

Lake Street – Howard reported that the Lake Street working group has been working on the Board of Selectmen request for more information, and would like to bring a report to TAC in January. The working group is aiming for a meeting on 12/29 or 1/4. Scott noted that one community stakeholder is East Arlington Livable Streets, whose monthly meetings are generally on first Wednesdays.

Bus Stops – Melissa reported that she now has an inventory for four routes. Would like to bring a report to TAC in February.

TAC Social - Members attending the social are asked for potluck food/drink contributions, as well as \$10 to defray the cost of renting the space. Invitees to include town officials (Manager, Board of Selectmen, DPW head), ABAC, Walking in Arlington.

Meeting Materials:

- Meeting Packet for December: Agenda 12/915; Minutes of 11/18/15; Individual Action List 12/9/15; Project List dated 12/9/15.
- Memo from Wayne Chouinard to TAC Re. TAC Update Items, December 9, 2015
- Draft Complete Streets Policy