

Town of Huntington
Lower Village Traffic Calming (LVTC) Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting

Monday August 19, 2015—7 pm

Union Meeting House / Huntington Public Library – Lower Village

** REVISED ** UNAPPROVED ** MINUTES

Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public comment • Introductions / agenda review • Member updates • Research data • Draft action plan for approval at 9/14 Selectboard meeting • Other business & next steps
Members present:	Helen Keith (Co-Chair / Selectboard Member), Dean Grover (Co-Chair / Lower Village Resident), Duncan Keir, Linda Pecor, Lorrie Richland, Bill Rogers, Debbie Worthley
Resources & others present:	Barbara Elliott (Town Administrator), Lucy Gibson (DuBois & King)
Call to order	Keith called the meeting to order at 7 pm
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No members of the public attended or offered public comment.
Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gibson summarized work that has been done on the Lower Village Scoping Project as part of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Grant.
Member Updates & Ideas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worthley reported on bump-outs and cross walks that are painted a deep red on North Street in Burlington • Thanks to Grover for having measured the current lane width, the fog new lines were painted at 9' (instead of the original 10'). Painting over the old line is pending. Note: the cost of painting these fog lines is part of the Highway General Fund Budget and not part of the Lower Village traffic calming effort. • Gibson noted that some towns have painted shoulders a different color to help delineate the shoulders. • Raised permanent speed bumps/humps will be revisited as part of an overall paving plan. It would still be good to get estimates of what it would cost to do them as stand-alone projects. • It was suggested that cutting brush around the WCVT switching station could help improve visibility. • We could use blinking lights to alert motorists of upcoming intersections or new stop signs. • Team confirmed that they still want the location of the southern speed feedback sign to be at Raven Ridge. Since that is not where the baseline speed tracking tubes (ATR – Automated Traffic Recorders) were placed, this means we will need to collect new baseline data for that location before installing the sign we borrow from the Shelburne Police Department. • Flexible posts are an alternative to Jersey barriers. They cost about \$50 each. • A variable message sign could be used to alert drivers if we install a 3-way (All-Way) stop sign. • The team decided that it would be best to paint red around the current crosswalks and to postpone relocation of the crosswalks for now.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For crosswalks, we could have buckets with portable flags that pedestrians wave to alert drivers that they are crossing. While they are likely to disappear, at such a low cost, it might be a viable option. • The team looked over the map and confirmed/modified locations for speed signs, speed feedback signs, crosswalks, etc. • There was considerable discussion about rearranging traffic patterns around the green in the LV. This included discussion of tests/pilots to be done in the near future on traffic re-direction around the green and in the lower village area. The draft recommendations including the addition of stop signs, are being worked on and will be discussed at the September 14th Selectboard meeting, and then will be posted on FPF. The pilot design plans involve the school transportation personnel as well as other key people. • The team continues to support installation of temporary speed tables that can be moved around to experiment with the best locations and patterns. We agreed that a minimum of two of these structures would be necessary. Lucy Gibson estimated the cost for each of these structures at about \$900.
Action Items & Requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FOG LINE COST ESTIMATE (Elliott/Alger): Rogers questioned why fog lines are not painted the full length of Main Road as it would help in other areas as well as in the village centers. Funds are not currently in the budget for this. We need a cost estimate for painting lines the full length of Main Road to see if it is feasible to incorporate this as a request for the upcoming budgeting process • DATA ANALYSIS (Gibson): Elliott received the baseline speed, volume and axle data from CCRPC. Gibson offered to analyze the data for us. Elliott to forward spreadsheets to Gibson. • MOVING SIGNS (Elliott/Alger): Need to reset the locations of the 25/35 MPH signs that are at the north entrance to the Village (near the cemetery) as they are not properly aligned. • PAINT ESTIMATES (Gibson): Gibson will forward red paint recommendations and costs to the team for use on crosswalks (and possibly shoulders). • BRUSH MAINTENANCE REQUEST (Alger): Clearing is needed improve sign visibility. • SPEED HUMP ESTIMATES (Elliott/Alger): What would the cost be to install bumps/humps as a stand-alone project if paving is not already occurring in the area? • STREET RENAMING (Elliott): Check the E-911 listing to see if renaming the little street (along the houses) is feasible—from Bridge St to East St. Extension (or some other name)—or if it would require new E-911 numbers for all the other houses on Bridge Street. This would enable us to also change Brooklyn Street to Bridge Street. • 25MPS ROAD PAINTING (Alger): Paint numbers in between the tire mark so they last longer. Also, paint the base red and then paint a white 25 on top of the red section so that the 25 stands out more. Check with Jericho on size recommendations. • TEMPORARY SPEED HUMPS (Elliott): Send out a request to see if any towns have movable/temporary speed humps that they would loan out or if anyone is interested in purchasing some to share with us. • SITE VISIT (Elliott): Elliott will coordinate a site visit at the Village Green for CESU Transportation Supervisor Ray Staskus and committee members to discuss traffic flow reconfiguration options. Elliott will also invite Chris Dubin (CCRPC). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NOTE: This has been scheduled for Thursday 8/27 at 9:30am.

	08/19/15 – Meeting date 08/21/15 – Draft/unapproved minutes sent to Town Clerk for website posting Xx/xx/15 – Final/approved minutes approved xx/xx/15 – Approved minutes sent to Town Clerk for recording & website posting

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