

**Public Ways Safety Committee Minutes
Bolton, Massachusetts
May 25, 2022**

Members present: Mary Ciummo, Steve McKeown, and Shandy Carpenter.

Guests present: Bob Czekanski, Chris Broders, Bill Rigby, and Rona Balco

The meeting was held online via Zoom and called to order at 7:01 p.m.

The meeting minutes for May 11, 2022, were reviewed and approved.

Resident request for sign on Green Road at Nourse Road: Bob C is requesting a “blind drive” sign on Green Road. Bob, Chris, Bill, and Rona explained the blind intersection on Green Rd at Nourse Rd, detailing the obstruction as primarily topographic, made worse by plowed snow, Vaughan Hill Road cross traffic, roadside parking, and traffic speed. One traffic accident is recorded at this intersection, but neighbors believe others have occurred, as well as cars going offroad to avert collisions, and tree damage along the roadway. Parking for Vaughan Hill conservation area is limited, and overflow is directed to roadside parking. Rona provided a diagram of the intersection and roadside parking. Mary provided approved road sign options. Randy will be alerted regarding line of sight related to snowbanks. The request, including resident input, will go through designated channels.

Resident concern for safety on Green Road: Resident concern for NRHS students running in groups on Green Road was discussed. Rona described how roadside parking on the shoulder less roadway for conservation property access further obstructs the roadway, however roadside parking is not illegal on Green Road. Questions were raised about the off-campus training. Shandy will contact the NRHS AD for Green Road student training details. Steve will ask Conservation Commission about parking.

Traffic sign request process: The new system was approved by the Selectmen. Bob C reported that he is testing the new sign request submission system. He has submitted a sign request, detailed above, and is awaiting response. This is the first use of the newly approved system.

Update traffic Rules and Order: Updated lists will be completed for the next meeting. There are questions about the vague wording for roadside parking rules in the current version.

Stop sign inventory: The updated inventory will be submitted for our next meeting.

Complete Streets, moving forward: Mary updated on Valerie’s efforts and the DPW Prioritization Plan requirements.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm. Minutes submitted by Shandy Carpenter.