

**Public Ways Safety Committee
Minutes
Bolton, Massachusetts
March 24, 2021**

Members present: Mary Ciummo, Holly Lauer, Leslie Breeze

Guests: DPW Director Randy Heglin, Brian Boyle

The meeting was held online via Zoom and called to order at 7:05 p.m. The minutes of our February 10, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved. There are no minutes for the March 10, 2021 meeting because we did not have quorum.

Proposed mixed use development at Main/Forbush -Tadmor Shoppes, LLC.: Discussion on the concept design: it is complicated, has issues with parking and drive-thru coffee shop, will require a traffic study, and will need town meeting approval for a zoning change from commercial to mixed use. It would provide extra points for the MassWorks project application for this intersection.

Stop sign reflective strips: Many stop signs have reflective strips, but they are worn and need replacing. Randy will order in bulk, but first needs to find an approved vendor.

Warning signs on Main by Sampson: the geometry at this intersection is bad, Randy will investigate possible sign consolidation. Stop sign on north side of Sampson is faded, needs replacing. He recommended equipping stop sign and yellow warning signs with flashing LED lights.

Signage: Randy recommended placing sign dating stickers on the back of all regulatory signs upon installation. The Truck Best Route signs that will go up on Main Street will be procured and paid for by MassDOT.

Street sweeping and line painting: The Committee asked Randy when these will take place. Not scheduled yet, vendor that was used in the past is not responding to calls. A comment was made that there appears to be less sand on the road from winter snow clearing. Randy mentioned investigating a brine system for next winter because less salt is used.

Culverts: Randy stated that culvert repair is expensive; the Forbush Mill culvert cost \$450,000 to repair, and he is about to put out a bid to repair the South Bolton/Spectacle Hill Road culvert. There needs to be an inventory and condition plan for all culverts in town. Brian recommended to help lighten the load, have summer interns and volunteers do GIS mapping of the culverts. It was mentioned that the printer at town hall cannot print large scale maps, but perhaps one could be leased.

Conflict of Interest requirements: Committee members were reminded to take the Conflict of Interest Online Training program if they haven't done so yet.

Status of Committee: the Committee needs new members and will begin advertising.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted Mary Ciummo