

**Public Ways Safety Committee  
Minutes  
Bolton, Massachusetts  
September 27, 2018**

**Members present:** Mary Ciummo, Leslie Breeze, Mike Keller, Joe Lynch.

The meeting was held at the Dept. of Public Works and was called to order at 2:03 p.m. Leslie Caisse arrive at 2:09.

**Pedestrian Crosswalk RRFBs:** Crosswalk lights have been installed with ADA compliance curbing. There is still some cosmetic work to be done, but the system is fully functional and safe. Joe has received mostly positive feedback. The single negative comment was that it isn't visible enough.

The installation finished \$11,700 over-budget due to sidewalk installation and curbing. DPW is looking into paying for it with its construction budget.

**Road sweeping and line painting:** Sweeping has started and line painting should be done in the next two days weather permitting. A 6 inch center line will be added on Manor Road. Sweeping of sidewalks was discussed. DPW only sweeps sidewalks in the center of town. There is no money in the budget allocated for sidewalk sweeping or maintenance.

**Complete Streets:** Howard Stein Hudson has the contract for prioritization of Complete Streets. A kick-off meeting is expected sometime in October. Public input will be sought through wiki-maps and a website notification system. The goal is to get the plan finalized and sent by April's end.

**Grants: corridor study and Main/Watt. Intersection:** The outcome of the MassWorks grant for roughly \$1,000,000 is expected in mid-October. Police and Fire safety vehicle access made the Main/Wattaquadoc intersection top choice for the grant. Erica Uriarte is the lead on the corridor study. Application was submitted August 27<sup>th</sup> and a response is expected in winter months.

**Speed limit at high school:** A speed study was requested in mid-August. It would take place in the area from the Catholic Church toward the center of town. A speed study at the high school would likely be included with the corridor study in the future.

**FY20 budget requests:** Committee's budget in past has been \$8100 for fog lines and signs. The current costs of signs are \$100-150 per sign. Whether or not new hardware is required contributes to the price range. The addition of a center line on Manor Road was noted. Leslie Caisse will email a breakdown of line painting expenses to the committee.

**Direction of the PWSC in Working with DPW:** Committee was tasked with creating an inventory of double barrel, overly wide intersections. Such intersections often have poor sight lines where the driver has to turn around in their seat to see if cars are coming. Some are confusing as to where one should enter the roadway. It was noted that there were many such intersections in town that would be safer as true T-intersections. The committee will list and prioritize the intersections that the town should consider improving.

It was noted that other towns have signs as motorist enter town that read along the lines of "Our Roads are for everyone" along with an image of a cyclist.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m. Minutes submitted Holly Lauer.

*M. Ciummo*      *Leslie Breeze*  
*Holly Lauer*      *Joe Lynch*