

Barre City Transportation Advisory Committee

September 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Present: Michael Hellein (Chair), Arthur Bombardier, Alan Burnor, Ericka Reil, Joanne Reynolds, Tina Routier

Absent: Joshua Akers

Staff: Bill Ahearn (Director of Public Works)

1. Call to order - 6:36 PM
2. Adjustments to the agenda
 1. No adjustments
3. Approval of minutes
 1. Motion: Reil to approve May 18, 2022 minutes, Reynolds second. Unanimous roll call in favor.
4. Visitors and communications
 1. No communication
5. Department of Public Works monthly transportation report (10 minutes)
 1. Department staff reports on transportation work and planning since the previous meeting.
 1. First access management project on Ayers street replacing 180 feet of access with mountable curb allowing deliveries. Next access management project is near North Barre Manor and involves moving the crosswalk further from the intersection with Beckley.
 1. Ahearn will email North Barre Manor plans to Committee when design is available.
 2. Currently doing repair of potholes and crosswalk and stop bar painting.
 2. Note new resident concerns as raised to staff
 1. Park Street speed hump/table request. Radar sign has been on Park Street for two weeks, and data will be available soon.
 2. Cassie Street speed table request - include on October agenda because it could be installed imminently.
 1. Ahearn will ask to place the speed cart at the location to gather traffic count and speed data in advance of the October meeting.

6. New business

1. Election of officers

Committee will nominate and elect officers for this year.

Chair: Nominated Hellein - Reynolds, second Reil. Unanimous roll call in favor.

Vice Chair: Nominated Reil - Reil, second Hellein. Unanimous roll call in favor.

Secretary responsibility will rotate, with Reynolds taking next meeting.

2. South Main Street and Elmore Street intersection design proposal

Staff will present recommended design to improve safety at this intersection, responding to crash history, resident input and prior committee discussion.

Burnor asked if we could increase the size of cross-hatch at Glenwood. Ahearn suggested making it 35' extended toward Prospect Street. Ahearn said he would leaflet the neighborhood so the residents were aware of the proposed changes.

Motion: Burnor to give conceptual approval to move forward to a public meeting to get feedback on a final design, Bombardier second. Unanimous roll call in favor.

3. Temporary speed sign installations on Park Street and Washington Street

In response to resident concerns in these locations, staff will make a recommendation to use soon-to-be-acquired digital speed signs to measure and observe speeding.

Park Street is already getting collection from the speed cart.

Ahearn will place one of the new speed signs on Washington when they become available.

4. Pedestrian crossing safety improvement of South Main Street at Tilden House

Staff will present recommended design to improve pedestrian safety in this existing crosswalk.

Ahearn expressed support for this low-cost safety intervention. Bombardier asked if it would present a problem for fuel trucks serving the gas station, and Ahearn said managing the position of lanes should address that concern.

Ahearn will provide a conceptual design by December 2022 in order to have a finalized design by February 2023.

Reynolds asked if there were other locations where we could install them. Ahearn suggested setting three locations, mentioning Hill Street at Camp Street and Hill Street at Perry Street.

Motion: Routier to approve Ahearn purchasing and installing crossing gateways in these three identified locations, Reynolds second. Unanimous roll call in favor.

7. Confirm date of next meeting

1. October 19, 2022

8. Roundtable

9. Adjourn

1. Motion: Reil, Reynolds - unanimous in favor. 7:56 PM