

Town of Hampton
Public Works Safety Committee Minutes
Regular Meeting -May 18, 2010
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APPROVED AT THE AUGUST, 10, 2010 MEETING

A regular meeting of the Public Works Safety Committee was held on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at the Town Hall.

Present: Foreman Daryl Christadore, Road Crew member Brad Waite, Marlene Aulten, Recording Secretary.

Absent: Chair Toby Vertefeuille, Transfer Station Supervisor Ralph Brand, Selectman Dionne
Foreman Christadore called the meeting to order at 9:30a.m.

Audience for citizens - none

Approval of minutes: Minutes of February 9, 2010 meeting - Minutes were reviewed for changes. Final approval will be voted on at the August meeting when a quorum is present.

Additions to agenda: Under Old Business, discuss Transfer Station safety issues status; Discussion of stop/yield/stop ahead signs needed under New Business.

Old business:

- A. **Training update** - A CPR course, to be taught by Joan Marquis in April, had to be cancelled due to lack of enrollment. Daryl renewed his CPR certification by attending a class held by the Fire Department. Brad is also up-to-date. Toby and Ralph need to obtain their recertification.
- B. **CONN-OSHA** - All three PWD Employees attended a Work-Zone Safety workshop on April 6, 2010, in Wethersfield. Brad has not yet obtained his Flagger Certification; Daryl will look for an upcoming class on this for him to attend.
- C. **Transfer Station Safety Issue(s): The following was discussed at the February meeting:**

Transfer Station Supervisor Ralph Brand noted that a portion of the retaining wall adjacent to the metal recycling container is deteriorating. The Crew will assist Ralph in installing a temporary welded kick-plate until the weather allows for a more extensive repair to be undertaken.

Daryl noted that the area that needs to be cleared has not been taken care of so the Crew was unable to proceed with the work. Ralph will need to attend to cleaning the area on a day when the Transfer Station is not open. Marlene will ask First Selectman Donnelly to discuss this with Ralph so that he has the opportunity to clean the area and the necessary repairs can be undertaken.

New business:

- A. **Stop/Yield Signs/Stop Ahead Signs:** Daryl noted that "Stop Ahead" signs are needed on East and West Old Route 6; in addition, a "Stop" sign on Brook Road needs replacing, and a "Stop" or "Yield" sign needs to be posted at the junction of North Bigelow Road and Hammond Hill Road, so that folks heading north on N. Bigelow do not turn on to Hammond Hill Road or cross over it to Old Kings Highway without slowing down and/or stopping. Several "near misses" have occurred at that intersection. Daryl has some of the signs on hand, and will order the others that he needs.

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B. CONN-OSHA information regarding mold and air-borne pollutants:

At the February Meeting, the following discussion took place:

*Chairman Vertefeuille submitted an **OSHA FACT SHEET** regarding mold/air-borne pollutants. This fact sheet is attached to the hard copy version of these minutes, and available for review in the First Selectman's Office.*

Chairman Toby Vertefeuille noted that there are significant moisture/mold issues at the Town Garage, and he will be utilizing a mold-test kit to determine levels. He noted that he, Brad, and Daryl seem to have sinus/bronchitis/coughing related issues that are exacerbated when they are in the Garage, especially during stretches of wet weather. He will provide results from the testing as soon as they become available. Toby also noted that there are many ceiling tiles in the lower level of Town Hall that may be harboring mold and should be removed.

Daryl noted that this has not been followed up on.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Committee, meeting adjourned at 10:00a.m.

Next meeting date is scheduled for August 10, 2010, at 9:30a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marlene B. Aulten
Recording Secretary