

**MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2014**

In Attendance:

Ernie Orgera
Mani Poola
Captain Sue Bretthauer
Captain Thomas Wuennemann
Officer Mike Skoumbros
Doug Hoyt
Paul Montanaro
Dan Colleluori
Frank Fedeli

Guests:

Kari Pollak – Stamford Hospital Hope in Motion

Christine Powers – MarcUS for Change 5K

Stephanie Block – Boys & Girls Club Corporate 5K

Kiernan Ryan – St. Patrick’s Day Parade

Michael Feighan – St. Patrick’s Day Parade

Rep. Monica DiCostanzo – Glenbrook Citgo & Pilgrim Walk

Ray Mazzeo – Summer Street Parallel Parking

Rick Redniss – Summer Street Parallel Parking

Mike De Milt – RPPP – Hubbard Heights Association

Zernitra Wolfe – RPPP – Hubbard Heights Association

Neil Boside – RPPP – Hubbard Heights Association

Stephen Rich – RPPP – Hubbard Heights Association

Vicki Zacharewicz – RPPP – Hubbard Heights Association

Meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Ernie Orgera, Chair.

Kari Pollak – Stamford Hospital Foundation – Hope in Motion – Walk & Run – Sunday, June 1, 2014 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- The Bike Ride has been eliminated this year.
- The 5K Run and 5K Walk will have the same route as last year.
- Ms. Pollak stated that they would like to add one new thing to the Run. They would like to offer a group of people to do a loop, to do the run again and it would be a 10K. It takes between 30 and 45 minutes to do the 5K, they believe that the 10K loop will take an hour at the longest.
- Run will take place from 8:00 a.m. to 9:15/9:30 a.m. and the Walk will start at 10:00 a.m.
- The Parks & Recreation Commission approved use of Columbus Park for set-up on Saturday. Mr. Orgera will check with Mike Steadman if the lot behind Curley's will be available for Ms. Pollak to use.
- Run Route is as follows:
 - Start on Main Street
 - Make a left onto Atlantic Street
 - Follow to Bedford Street
 - Stay on Bedford Street at the Bulls Head Intersection
 - Make a left onto Summer Street
 - Make right on West Park Place
 - Finish on West Park Place
- Walk Route is as follows:
 - Line up on West Park Place
 - Make a left onto Atlantic Street
 - Continue Atlantic Street to Bedford Street
 - Make a left onto Sixth Street
 - Make a left onto Summer Street
 - Finish down Summer Street to Columbus Park

Motion was made by Frank Fedeli, seconded by Paul Montanaro and passed unanimously to approve Stamford Hospital Foundation – Hope in Motion Walk & Run on Sunday, June 1, 2014.

Michael Feighan – St. Patrick's Day Parade – Saturday, March 8, 2014 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

- Parade will have the same route as last year.
- They will need the use of the Show Mobile. The Show Mobile will be placed in front of People's Bank.
- Mr. Feighan also requested the use of electricity; they would like the capability to announce to the Reviewing Stand who the next group of the line of march is.
- Parade is as follows:
 - Main Street (Columbus Park)
 - Atlantic Street
 - Bedford Street (Latham Park)

Motion was made by Mani Poola, seconded by Doug Hoyt and passed unanimously to approve St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 8, 2014.

Christine Powers – Stamford Public Education Foundation – 2nd Annual MarcUS for Change 5K at Cove Island Park and Surrounding Streets – Sunday, October 5, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

- The Run will take place at Cove Island Park. They will do a loop in the park and then proceed out onto the streets.
- Route is as follows:
 - One full loop around Cove Island Park
 - Exit Cove Island Park
 - Right onto Weed Avenue
 - Left on Matthews Street
 - Left on Dora Street
 - Left on Cove and repeat loop around Cove Island Park
 - Finish west of Pavilion at Spicer Monument

- They used four Police Officers last year.

Motion was made by Captain Wuennemann, seconded by Frank Fedeli and passed unanimously to approve 2nd Annual MarcUs for Change 5K Run at Cove Island Park and surrounding streets on Sunday, October 5, 2014.

Stephanie Block – Boys & Girls Club of Stamford – Boys & Girls Club Corporate 5K (Formerly the RFR 5K Run/Walk) – Thursday, May 22, 2014 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

- New sponsor is CRT Capital.

- They have partnered with BLT to move the route down to the South End.
- Route is as follows:
 - Starts and finishes at Commons Park
 - Walter Wheeler Drive
 - Onto Atlantic Street
 - Looping around Fairway Market
 - Come back down Pacific Street
 - Elmcroft Road
 - Bateman Lane
 - Pacific Street
 - Boardwalk
 - Ending near the start by Walter Wheeler Drive

Motion was made by Mani Poola, seconded by Frank Fedeli and passed unanimously to approve the Boys & Girls Club Corporate 5K on Thursday, May 22, 2014.

Mani Poola – Glenbrook Road Near Citgo Gas Station – Illegal Movement.

- Mani Poola stated that he met with 7th District Representatives regarding the Citgo Gas Station on Glenbrook Road. Representatives complained about southbound Glenbrook Road getting onto the Citgo Gas Station after passing the intersection. They would like to make it two lanes so that there could be a holding lane to get into the gas station. The measurement from the center line to the curb is 80 feet on either side. There is parking on both sides of the street and a lot of truck activity in one location. It is not feasible to provide the footage for accessing the Citgo Gas Station because of the parking in the vicinity.
- It was suggested to restrict parking on the street from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Motion was made by Frank Fedeli, seconded by Paul Montanaro and passed unanimously to install restrictive parking signs on Glenbrook Road northbound in front of Monster B's Restaurant from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Mani Poola – Pilgrim Walk – Parking Issues.

- District 7 Representatives requested to address the safety issue on Pilgrim Walk between Colonial Road and Hope Street.
- Mr. Poola stated that parking could be accommodated by relocating the center line by 2 or 2 ½ feet.

Motion was made by Doug Hoyt, seconded by Officer Mike Skoumbros to install No Parking regulations on the east side of Pilgrim Walk as well as corner restrictions on both directions and removal of the center line.

7 = YES

0 = NO

1 = ABSTAIN (Frank Fedeli)

Rick Redniss – Summer Street Parallel Parking.

- Rick Redniss discussed the proposal of parallel parking plan and relocation of raised island on Summer Street – Ridgeway area.
- The island will be moved to be closer to the travel way and will still have a mail box. The island will not impact the travel lane.
- There will be six parallel parking spaces along the inside.
- The curb will be bumped out to shorten the pedestrian walk across the street.
- A catch basin will be added, since the area does not drain well.
- The School Bus Stop will be moved south on Summer Street.
- Work will begin after school is out in the summer.
- The entire section will be milled, graded and paved by Mr. Redniss.
- Mr. Redniss needs to contact Doug Hoyt regarding the meters when the time comes.

Motion was made by Captain Tom Wuennemann, seconded by Captain Sue Bretthauer and passed unanimously to accept the proposal to create parallel parking on the west side of Summer Street, south of the intersection of Bridge Street. Six parallel spaces, signage and meters as well as improvement of the surface with milling, grading, paving and drainage.

Michael de Milt – Hubbard Heights Association Request for Residential Parking.

- Mr. Michael de Milt, President of Hubbard Heights Association presented to the Committee the request from the Hubbard Heights neighborhood for Residential Parking Permit Program for the following streets:
 - Grandview Avenue
 - West North Street (from Woodcliff to the Golf Course)
 - St. George Avenue
- The Committee explained how the Residential Parking Permit Program works. Mr. Orgera stated that the residents at 54 West North Street will have the opportunity to voice their opinion at the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Frank Fedeli, seconded by Paul Montanaro and passed unanimously to request a Residential Parking Permit Program Survey for Grandview

Avenue, West North Street from Woodcliff to west of the Golf Course and St. George Avenue.

As there were no further business, motion was made by Captain Sue Bretthauer, seconded by Officer Mike Skoumbros to adjourn the meeting at 11:48 a.m. and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted
Margarita Arenas
January 30, 2014