

VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK
TRANSPORTATION WORKING GROUP
REGULAR MEETING
October 25, 2016

A regular meeting was held by the Transportation Working Group on Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 7:15 p.m. in the Hastings Village Hall.

PRESENT: Jeanette Sawyer Cohen (Chair), Dan Sbrega, Matt Hobby, Richard Bass, Jim Nolan, Mary McDonald (Safety Committee liaison)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: (2) Liaisons from the Hastings PTSA: Marisa Silverstein, Silvia Robles

Approval of Minutes

The Sept. 27, 2016 regular meeting minutes were approved and forwarded.

School Safety

PTSA Liaisons Marisa Silverstein and Silvia Robles shared that they are now considered by the PTSA to be formal liaisons to TWG. They discussed need for a traffic engineer/expert to figure out what next steps should be, especially regarding the high school. They also mentioned that an eight grader was seen nearly getting hit by car recently on Hillside Avenue.

Hastings-on-Hudson Mobility Survey

Reviewed and discussed survey questions. PTSA Liaisons Marisa Silverstein and Silvia Robles commented on feedback they received from the schools including the Superintendent. We discussed a need to write a short intro describing the combined PTSA-Committee effort and a short conclusion of thanks. Questions raised: should high school students answer survey as well? Should more than one person per household answer it? Agreed survey subcommittee with PTSA liaisons would finalize.

Signage

Chair mentioned that in order to follow up on group's interest in adding new signs in school zones and on James St, formal proposals would need to be written to bring to Trustees. Matt Hobby discussed his research on options for school zone signage. Farragut is already a school zone. Other adjacent streets eligible for school zone status are Hillside, School and Mt. Hope, which are not yet in the village books and can extend a quarter mile. Currently one of the flashing lights on Farragut is not working. Discussed ideas about sign installation on the other streets.

James Street signage was discussed. A draft resolution by Richard Bass was explained by Mr. Bass. Chair and Mr. Bass will bring the proposal to the Trustees. The idea is to recommend simple steps like signage and enforcement, and measure baseline speed/flow and any changes after installation. These steps could serve as a pilot with potential relevance for other areas in the village facing traffic concerns.

Next meeting

The next regular meeting will be held at 7:15 pm on November 22, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the regular meeting at 9:30 p.m.