

To: Bonnet Shores Fire District Council
From: John Pariseault and Janice McClanaghan
Chair/ Vice Chair
Road and Safety Committee Minutes

Date: August 15, 2018

Subject: Road meeting report

The Roads Committee meeting was held on *Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 7:30pm at the Bonnet Shores Community Center*. Agenda is attachment A.

The meeting was opened by John Pariseault – Council Member and Chair.

Each member of the committee introduced themselves:

Janice McClanaghan –Council member and Vice Chair

Dave Stenmark and Terry Duffy representing the taxpayer

Bob Anderson and Louise Healy- representing the BSBC

Marlene Bellini and George Monaghan representing the Land Trust

Lisa DiBello –BSFD manager- absent

John then reviewed our mission statement and committee focus which may include roadway maintenance, roadside mowing, waste and storm water management systems, pedestrian safety, traffic calming and walkable community. (see attachment B)

Terry Duffy presented a list of pertinent data requests that the committee will request from the town. The information is available but needs to be updated to present. The information requested included police information on traffic, fire department info related to response time, road usage, road conditions and long range plans (a complete list is attached as Attachment C).

The committee then brainstormed ideas and discussed and reviewed some existing issues and concerns.

Ideas that were mentioned:

Internal policing systems- bring back constable part-time

Address illegal parking and speed enforcement

Address brush on corners-email blast and site areas to be cut

Additional stop signs

One ways

Widening roads

Walking trails thru land trust properties using Roger Williams University- sent to land trust

Grated concrete areas at entrance, or neck downs

Design pedestrian lanes and rights of way

Improve road conditions

Speed cushions

Radar signs

Meet quarterly with town

Review DiPrete and Garafalo studies

Rewrite parking ordinance

All thoughts were then placed into short term, midterm and long range initiatives. (see Attachment D)

For next meeting:

All committee members will identify safety concerns

Janice will distribute info on trash barrel program

Janice will send out parking ordinance

Janice will send out street map

Next meeting date is September 6,2018 7:30 Community Center

Attachment A

BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT

ROAD COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 7:30pm

Bonnet Shores Community Center

AGENDA

Call to order

New Business

- A. Introduction of committee members**
- B. Discuss role of the committee and mission statement**
- C. Discuss and review existing issues and concerns**
- D. Set goals of the committee**
- E. Assignments of committee members**
- F. Public comment**

Adjournment

ATTACHMENT B

Bonnet Shores Fire District Road Committee

The Roads Committee is a subset of the Public Works, Facilities, Traffic committee. It is a 9-member committee established to evaluate all the roads in Bonnet and make recommendations to the Fire District Council for the safe, efficient, environmentally and fiscally sound operation of all public roadways within Bonnet Shores. The committee shall consist of the following:

- (2) Bonnet Shores Council Members
- (2) Bonnet Shores Beach Club Members
- (2) Land Trust Members
- (2) Taxpayers at large
- District Manager

The committee's focus may include:

Roadway Maintenance to include: review of blind spots, overgrown trees, bushes, shrubs and condition of road.

Roadside mowing

Waste and Storm water Management Systems

Street and Regulatory signs, installation and maintenance

Pedestrian safety

Traffic Calming

Walkable Community

The committee will brainstorm ideas, discuss and review existing issues and concerns, and formulate some short term, mid- term and long range initiatives that can be implemented in a timely manner to improve and enhance the quality of life within the district.

The committee will report to the Council on a quarterly basis starting at the August council meeting.

Attachment C

To identify road safety issues in Bonnet Shores: the professional assistance of the Narragansett Town Government will be sought and that the Town Manager, Jim Manni, will be asked to direct and co-ordinate any/all involved department Directors in this urgent matter. Request that he provide:

- 1) A Police Dept. summary of traffic incidents over the past three years for all community roadways; e.g. accidents, accidents w/ injuries, moving violations, documented citizen/community complaints, calls for service, etc.
- 2) A Fire Dept. summary/study results of calls for service by month over a three-year period; response time (fire/rescue) from station to point of incident; listing separately the calls for fire and/or rescue
- 3) The Director of Public Safety, (J. Manni) provide a road usage survey for all major roadways within our community to include: trips per day; days of week; hours of day. Recommendations for additional traffic control or traffic calming safety measures should be included.
- 4) A report from the Director of Public Works summarizing projects planned or projects recommended to improve road conditions and/or visibility at any/all intersections. Mitigation of rainwater runoff onto certain roadways should be addressed; e.g. 1. causeway flooding 2.culvert capacity at Springbrook at Bonnet Shores Rd.
- 5) Engineering and Long-range Planning Directors report related to feasibility of widening our causeway, with specific assessment of condition of Bonnet Point Rd. from Boston Neck Rd. to Dunes Rd. as well as a recap of Bonnet related TIP Applications over the past three years.
- 6) Provide thoughts, comments and recommendations on addressing public safety on all roads in Bonnet.

ATTACHMENT D

SHORT TERM

1. INFO GATHERING – TERRY AND LISA
2. RESEARCH OTHER COMMUNITIES AND STATES
3. TRAFFIC CONSULTANT COST- JOHN AND GEORGE
4. GARAFOLO PLAN TO DETERMINE WIDTH OF ROADS AND ID ENCROACHMENTS AT INTERSECTIONS-GEORGE
5. KEEP MINUTES AND A RECORDER TO POST ON WEBSITE-JANICE
6. STEPPED UP ENFORCEMENT-LISA
7. BRUSH-EMAILS-JOHN AND JANICE
8. CHANGE TRASH DAY AND DEALS WITH CANS
9. DEFINITION OF PARKING –CHANGE
10. BORING INFO ON ROAD-LOUISE
11. WALKING TRAILS
12. ID MOST DANGEROUS AREAS
13. CSO

MEDIUM TERM

1. STOP SIGNS
2. RADAR SIGNS
- 3.CHATTER STRIPS

LONG TERM

1. WIDEN ROADS FOR PEDESTRIANS/BIKE LANES- CAN YOU DO IT?
2. SPEED CUSHIONS
3. ONE WAY ROADS
4. WALKWAY
5. TRAILS
6. TRAFFIC FUNNEL