

Road Safety Meeting Minutes for Wednesday 3/19/03 -

Meeting was held on 3/19/03 at 7:30PM, Town Hall Room 124.

Attendance: Joe Sebastiano, Beth Strubeck, William Crump, Jim Leonard, Chief Stone, Butch Vito, Mario Damiata, Marcia Lukon, Leo Fantini, Toby Lyons, Jack McFeeley, Ramesh Advani.

This particular monthly RSC meeting was held as a “workshop” to help more precisely map out short and long-term solutions/planning for resolving the road safety/traffic circulation issues for Freeman Centennial area residents/pedestrians and drivers. Many that came together back in November 2002 to support the RSC School Related Road Safety Survey and follow report were again present on this evening.

A representative(s) of the Norfolk School Committee was not present this evening...but RSC member(s) will be present at the next Norfolk School Committee Meeting on 4/1/03, where discussions are expected to include the proposed new access road to Freeman-Centennial via Rockwood Rd.

### **Short Term Actions/Solution/Improvements – Targeted for June/July 2003**

#### **Completion:**

- Mark School Zone and Post New/Enforceable Speed Signs – Action for: BOS/Highway.
- Mark and Sign a Crosswalk (w/curb and landing improvements) between Juniper and south side of Boardman St. – a/f: Highway.
- Conduct updated vehicle count and speed survey (get 85% results) – a/f: Police/Highway.
- Add three-way stop (Stop Signs) at Juniper and Boardman – a/f: BOS/Highway.  
[Adding the stop signs at Juniper and Boardman should also have significant/positive impact on speed and other traffic control/enforcement. Cost of signs to support short term solutions above...est. \$750 - \$1000.]

### **Long Term Actions/Solution/Improvements – Targeted for 2005 Completion:**

- New Access Road (w/sidewalks) to Freeman-Centennial via Rockwood Road...but planning needs to begin now.

Committees to quickly approached and confirm with include: School Committee, Conservation, Recreation and possibly Permanent Building, Planning Board.  
...Estimated to cost \$500,000+/- and can be funded by capital, bonds?  
...Project should also be timed with other school related projects in affected area like sewage & recreational field improvements.

### **Possible Mid-Term School Zone Actions/Solution/Improvements:**

- Add anti-speed “road texturing” to support school zone and crosswalk on Boardman - Cost TBD.
- Post permanent radar sign that flashes individual vehicle speed – Est. Cost: \$7600.
- Install flashing school zone speed sign (same as those installed at HO Day) – Est. Cost: \$45,000.

Other business:

RSC Community Day (5/31) station/activities (helmets, surveys, information, raffles) are not yet finalized...but will be finalized at the next RSC meeting on 4/16/03.