



**CITY OF DOVER**

## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting  
Meeting Location: AUDITORIUM, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, CITY HALL  
Meeting Date: **Monday, February 23, 2009**  
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

Meeting was called to order by Councilor Weston at 7:07 PM.

### 1. ROLL CALL

Members present: Councilor Weston (Chair), Ed Wentworth (Vice Chair), Marn Speidel (Police), Bruce Woodruff (Planning), Ben Clark (Community Services)

Members absent: John Scruton, Peter Schmidt, Dennis Munson

In the absence of Secretary Dennis Munson, Marn Speidel volunteered to take meeting notes.

### 2. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Review/Approval of January 26, 2009 Minutes

Amendments proposed by Wentworth, discussion among all members. Motion made by Wentworth to accept minutes as amended. Vote: 5-0

#### B. Durham Road parking concern (DHS student parking)

Speidel reviewed progression of previous discussion by committee on this agenda topic. On February 17, the Police Department delivered a notice door-to-door to all Durham Road properties from Back River Road to Mast Road, informing residents of tonight's meeting and eliciting any feedback that residents had about proposed parking restriction. Speidel read E-mail correspondence from three residents: Paul Dachsteiner of #175, David Kabat of #123, and John McPhee of #137. Noted that one resident is against parking restriction, two in favor. Speidel also noted that Penny Seaver of #105 expressed her regrets for not being able to attend but was in favor of parking restriction. Further discussion by committee. Speidel and Clark noted that even if parking was formally restricted, there will probably not be an imminent need to post the entire road with signs.

Motion by Wentworth, seconded by Woodruff, to restrict parking at all times on both sides of Durham Road, from Back River to Mast Roads. Vote: 5-0

#### C. Draft Crosswalk Evaluation Report

Woodruff informed committee that he is still working on the draft and intends to forward a draft copy to TAC members by March 3, 2009.



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### 3. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Garrison School parking concerns on Garrison Road

Speidel read the text of an E-mail sent by Councilor Weston following a recent Dover Discussions where concern was expressed by a citizen. Speidel handed out a schematic to committee members, Speidel and Woodruff discussed history of bus and parent pick-up / drop off at this school which has been adjusted and readjusted on a consistent basis with every change in Garrison School administration. Woodruff in favor of restricting parking on Garrison Road. Weston stated that we should seek input from the school department. Woodruff pointed out that TAC By-Laws include an expressed function of coordinating with, and soliciting feedback from, the School Department Transportation Committee regarding transportation safety issues.

Motion by Woodruff, seconded by Wentworth, to table this item to a date specific to be coordinated with the school department for a group meeting. Woodruff proposed a meeting at 6:00 PM on March 30, 2009. Discussion of potential date, and whether the School Department Transportation Committee still exists. Consensus of committee was to have Woodruff and Speidel reach out to School Department to set up a meeting. Weston asked Clark whether Community Services could examine and evaluate the condition of the stairs from Shaws Lane lot leading toward Garrison School. Clark acknowledged that he would follow up with CS Director or City Engineer and report back on an estimate to repair the stairs. Vote to table item: 5-0

### 4. MEMBER COMMENTS

**Woodruff:** we have received final report on Central Avenue Safety and Efficiency Study (Hospital Corridor) from Sebago Technics. Woodruff stated his intention was to have TAC members receive, review, and approve this document as an addendum to the City's Transportation Master Plan. Requested this as agenda item for next meeting. Woodruff will E-mail the document, which exceeds 3 MB in size, to the City E-mail account of TAC members for review prior to next meeting.

**Weston:** Expressed concern with some of the issues that previous Chairman Grasso had listed in last meeting as unfinished TAC business, most importantly the E-911 street name changes. Woodruff and Speidel updated the committee that the Building Official, Tom Clark, was now working actively on assigning new house numbers for the six streets that had yet to be forwarded to Council. Weston expressed concern that this issue would not be delayed any further, and was referred to Fire Chief Plummer for further inquiry on status.

**Wentworth:** Noted confusion over "No Turn on Steady Red Arrow" signs and flashing



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red arrow signal hardware at intersection of Central/Washington/Henry Law, which should have been removed for the Henry Law leg once Henry Law became one way. Current position of “No Turn on Red” sign for Central Avenue northbound also causes confusion and Wentworth suggested relocating sign to a point more visible to Central Avenue motorists. Speidel stated he would check this concern and remind the supervisor at Facilities, Ground and Cemeteries about this pending item.

### **5. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING**

Councilor Weston has a conflict with March 23 meeting date. Consensus of members was to postpone meeting for one week.

Next regular meeting: March 30, 2009 at 7:00 PM

Note: Tentative workshop session with School Department at 6:00 PM on same date, prior to regular meeting.

### **6. ADJOURN**

Motion by Wentworth, seconded by Woodruff. Vote: 5-0. Adjourned at 8:26 PM.