

COMMUNITY BOARD #3

655 Rossville Avenue
Staten Island, N. Y. 10309

Traffic & Transportation Committee Minutes

September 7, 2011

TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Frank Morano, *Chairman of the Board*
Frank Contrera, *Chairman Traffic & Transportation Committee*
James Gallagher
Daniel Venuto

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Robert Coghlan
George Fehling
John Felicetti
William Killips
Todd Tabacco

STAFF

Charlene Wagner, District Manager
Stacey Wertheim, Community Associate

GUESTS:

James Spaulding, Pacific Street resident
Paul Fargo, Pacific Street resident
Carmelo Gulino, Pacific Street resident
Steve O'Connor, Pacific Street resident

No Quorum

7:30 PM Meeting called to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC CONTACT:

Community Board Complaint # 55044 – Intersection of Beach Road and Pacific Street

The traffic island is being extended and planted with trees and shrubs. Beach Road conversions to One-Way northbound will no longer permit motorists to continue to Hylan Boulevard. Residents believe the parking will be reduced, and traffic will not be able to get through this area safely; especially when it snows. Residents of Pacific Street appeal to DOT to review their proposed design plan to extend the island and revoke the one-way conversion. Committee supports this request.

NEW BUSINESS:

CB3 Complaint # 54915 – Request traffic control sign on Huguenot Ave either at Jansen Street, Eylandt Street, Deiseus Street or Billou Street. Committees recommend a DOT study.

CB3 Complaint # 54918 – Request a No Left Turn sign on Holcomb Avenue at Rosedale Avenue. Irregular street alignment at this intersection. The stop sign on Holcomb is set back, not lined up with Rosedale Avenue, making a left turn from Holcomb onto Rosedale hazardous. After review Committee believes this intersection has ample width for left and right turns lanes, but will recommend DOT study location for a safer lane configuration.

CB3 Complaint # 54927 – Huguenot Avenue & Rosedale Avenue. Right-turn permitted on Red sign; request the sign read “except during school hours.” DOT inspected this location - it is not designated a school crosswalk and does not warrant change. The Committee will request that DOT reconsider.

CB3 Complaint # 54963 – Greaves Avenue & Howton Avenue. Resident requests study for additional signage, traffic control for this intersection; residents complain it is difficult to exit their driveways due to traffic volume and speed of vehicles. Committee requests study.

CB 3 Complaint # 54966 – Arthur Road (eastbound) & Clarke Avenue. “Thru Traffic Keep Left” sign is not seen or ignored by motorists. Committee requests DOT install lane markings on Arthur Kill Road designating right lane for turn only.

CB3 Complaint # 55002 – Request study of Waterbury Avenue between Seguire Avenue and Bayview Avenue to determine if a One Way status is warranted. Complainant will be advised that CB3 requires a petition signed by all residents residing on Waterbury, Bayview and Seguire Avenues.

CB3 Complaint # 55034 – All Way Stop requested at Nippon Avenue & Ramona Avenue. Committee recommends a DOT study.

CB3 Complaint # 55070 – All Way Stop requested at Eltingville Blvd. & Lamoka Avenue. Committee recommends a DOT study.

CB3 Complaint # 55083 – Request that Behaut Avenue between Truman Street & Amboy Road be converted to a One Way and No Parking signs be installed on one side of Brehaut Avenue. Complainant will be advised that CB3 requires a petition signed by all residents residing on Brehaut Avenue and Truman Street sign a petition.

Prall Avenue residents complain that a neighbor removed his sidewalk and that DOT installed no Parking signs on one side of Prall Avenue. Measurement of street went from 25 feet 2 inches narrowing to 22 feet 6 inches. Cars parked on both sides of Prall Avenue would hinder Emergency vehicles. After inspection we could not determine if a sidewalk ever existed.

Seguire Avenue at Hank Place to Wilbur Street – Request ‘Horse Crossing’ signs be placed on Seguire Avenue between Hank Place and Wilbur Street, also on Wilbur Street and Holten Avenue. Letter to DOT prepared.

Bloomingtondale Road just north of Marisa Circle – Committee will request a copy of the analysis report that warranted the installation of a guardrail on Bloomingtondale Road just north of Marisa Circle. Letter prepared.

DISCUSSION:

Danny Venuto suggested that the Committee investigate how to mandate that sidewalks be installed on private undeveloped lots, city-owned lots and the many homeowners who do not have sidewalks. Sidewalks are necessary for the safety of pedestrian traffic.

OLD BUSINESS:

Woodrow Road & Lenevar Avenue and Woodrow Road & Winant Avenue – DOT issued work order to install No U-Turn sign at both locations.

Barlow Avenue & Drumgoole Road East – DOT study conducted; does not meet criteria for guardrail.

Vogel Place & Goff Avenue – DOT has approved work orders to install “No left Turn” and “Hill Warning” signs on Goff Ave. In addition to new signage, an advisory speed plate on the east curb of Goff Ave has been approved.

Barlow Avenue & Ridgewood Avenue – DOT denied the request for All Way Stop because it did not meet the criteria. In 2008 DOT installed “No Standing Anytime” signs to improve visibility for vehicles exiting Barlow Avenue. At this time, no changes are warranted.

Meeting Adjourned 08:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Contrera
Chairman Traffic & Transportation Committee