



**Windham Economic Development Committee
Infrastructure Sub-Committee**

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday June 7, 2023 at 8:00 AM

Attending: Gary Garfield (Chairman), Dale Valvo, Mark Samsel, Mike Oldenburg,
Matthew Swoboda

Also attending: Alex Mello (Community Development) Brian McCarthy (Town
Administrator)

8:04 Call to Order

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the traffic conditions along Route 111 and to determine an approach to traffic mitigation. Two approaches that were considered were 1) Should WEDC establish a committee to address the traffic congestion, and who should be on the committee. Some suggestions were: a Selectmen's Representative, the Town Administrator, a representative of the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission, all members of the WEDC Infrastructure Sub-Committee, a representative of the Planning Board, business representatives, residents, etc., and 2) should the WEDC work to find a way to get the signaling changed between Range Road and Center School?

Mr Garfield provided the history of a proposed corridor study in which Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Norman and Mr. Garfield met with Ms. Wendy Johnson of the NHDOT on September 30, 2019. Mr. Mello has inquired about every 3-4 months as to the status of the study however the NHDOT has been relatively unresponsive. It was agreed that the traffic condition was severe and that we may need assistance from our state representatives to encourage the NHDOT to conduct the Corridor Study. It was suggested by Mr. Samsel and Mr. McCarthy that before we take any action, we should meet in Concord with the NHDOT to get an in-person update on the study and explain that the current traffic condition was unacceptable. Mr. Samsel stated that before we tried to set up any meeting with the DOT, we should get permission from the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Samsel will run this meeting by the BOS at their next meeting.

Mr. Samsel also reported that there was a 2015 Rolston Road improvement study however we were not sure of it's status either. The consensus was that we need the NHDOT to come to Windham and provide the Town with their plans for mitigating traffic in Windham.

Discussion of the signaling from Range Road to Center School was tabled until after we meet with the NHDOT.

9:27 Adjourn

Approved 9-6-2023 by a vote of 4-0-1