

## TOWN OF CLARENDON

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### Clarendon Select Board June 22, 2020- Regular Meeting Minutes

**Attendees:**

Select Board

Mike Klopchin, Chair  
Bob Bixby, Clerk  
Cash Ruane  
Robert Congdon  
Rick Wilbur

Heidi Congdon, Treasurer  
Katie Rock, Board Secretary  
Cindy Davis  
Art Peterson  
Eryn Connor

William Chmielewski, PEG TV

#### **1. Call to Order**

Chairman Klopchin called the meeting to order at 6pm.

#### **2. Agenda Additions/Deletions**

Selectman Bixby motioned to add under Highway, a discussion about the intersection of North Shrewsbury Road and Cold River Road, Selectman Congdon seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Selectman Congdon motioned to add Art Peterson under Guests, Selectman Bixby seconded, and all approved.

#### **3. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Selectman Congdon motioned to approve the Regular Meeting minutes from June 8, Selectman Bixby seconded, and all Board members approved.

#### **4. Highway**

**Road Commissioner Report-** The Road Crew finished working on upper Quarterline Road and are currently working on East Tinmouth Road. They are improving culverts so the road will be closed on 6/23.

**Truck Route Signs-** Selectman Congdon explained that logging trucks coming through the village via Moulton Ave have become an issue. He further explained that a lot of companies are now using fleet drivers so they aren't always able to relay to all drivers the preferred truck route. Selectman Congdon motioned to have a discussion with Mill River Lumber about putting up truck route signs and splitting the costs with them; and authorize the Road Commissioner to put them up if approved. Selectman Bixby seconded the motion and all Board Members approved.

**Intersection of N. Shrewsbury Rd & Cold River Rd-** Selectman Bixby has received phone calls from residents about this intersection. Their request is that the "stop bar"

be repainted at the intersection because it has become very faint and cars creep forward into the intersection. Cash said they haven't had time to paint other intersections but they do have the stencil, and will probably need new paint.

Selectman Wilbur asked Cash about mowing at the intersection of Alfrecha and Creek Road because the grass has grown tall. Cash explained they are waiting for parts to repair the mower and then will try to get mowing in the Road Crew's schedule.

## **5. Approval of Select Board Warrants**

All new warrants and warrants previously signed by the designated Select Board Member were approved and signed by all Select Board Members.

## **6. Guests**

**Erynn Connors from Wanderlust Canine Services** –Erynn was present at the meeting to introduce herself and her business. She is looking into renting the Dan Turco and Sons building, to provide dog daycare, training, and retail. The daycare would be available Monday- Friday, 7am-6pm, no weekend availability or overnights. She would have between 2-6 employees. Erynn would like to add a small fence and a larger fence beyond that. She predicts having between 20-30 dogs a day. Selectman Congdon wished them all the best, and was happy to see business go in there.

**Art Peterson**- Art Peterson announced that he is running for the Vermont House of Representatives. Chairman Klopchin recommends Art, as he's been very involved in Clarendon and has had a positive impact on the community.

## **7. Public Comments**

N/A

## **8. Old Business**

**Approve Traffic Ordinance Amendment**-Selectman Congdon motioned to approve the amendments made to the Traffic Ordinance, Selectman Bixby seconded for discussion. Chairman Klopchin asked if there was discussion with the homeowner that lives on the corner of East Street and Gorge Road. Road Commissioner Ruane went to look at the intersection and it will be in the town ROW and he will give her a call about sign placement. The motion passed unanimously.

The full text of the ordinance is attached below.

## **9. New Business**

**Sign updated Sheriff's Department Contract**- Selectman Congdon motioned to authorize/approve and sign the Sheriff's Department contract for FY21, Selectman Bixby seconded, and 3 of the 5 Board Members approved. Selectman Wilbur abstained from the vote.

**Sign Cemetery Mowing Contract**- Selectman Congdon motioned to authorize the Chairman to sign the mowing contract to finalize it, Selectman Ruane seconded, and all approved.

**Sign Fireworks Permit**-Selectman Congdon motioned to approach and seek the fire warden (Clayton Rockwell), to issue fire work permits in conjunction with Matt Jakubowski. Selectman Wilbur seconded the motion and all Board members approved. Chairman Klopchin asked Katie to contact Clayton to get in touch with him to discuss. Selectman Congdon further motioned to authorize the permit for Travis Barbour on Walker Mountain Road and have the chair sign, with the stipulations in place as directed by the permit, Selectman Ruane seconded, and all approved.

### **10. Town Officer's Report**

Heidi gave a budget status report, and if the public would like a copy they will be located at the front desk in the Town Office. She is hoping to receive all invoices to end out the fiscal year.

Katie said she will get the amendment notice posted around Town tomorrow.

Chairman Klopchin asked if the Board would like to do an executive session to discuss year end contracts for the Road Crew. Selectman Congdon said that for the most part all was settled, he didn't see a need for it tonight, maybe in the next month after reviews, to discuss further benefits.

Chairman Klopchin also asked if they would like to discuss Horton Road. Selectman Congdon reiterated that there has to be a general consensus that they all want to close it or not; and there hasn't been. Selectman Congdon asked if there was any middle ground to alleviate the problems that some of the landowners are experiencing. The Board discussed trying to find a resolution: putting up signage, upgrading the road, downgrading the road, and ultimately decided to take no further action at this point.

### **11. Select Board Member Concerns**

Selectman Ruane hopes to have the mower back working soon. Selectman Wilbur would like to pursue an "no ATV use" on Town Roads ordinance; Chairman Klopchin asked Katie to do some research on it.

### **12. Adjournment**

Selectman Congdon motioned to adjourn at 6:54pm, Selectman Bixby seconded, and all approved.

## TOWN OF CLARENDON

### TRAFFIC ORDINANCE ORDINANCE #21

This is a civil ordinance to (1) regulate the speeds of all vehicles upon any state aid, city, town or village street or highway in the Town of Clarendon; (2) otherwise regulate the traffic upon any state aid, city, town, or village street or highway in the Town of Clarendon by traffic signs; and (3) provide penalties for violations.

Be it ordained and enacted by the Selectmen of the Town of Clarendon, of the State of Vermont as follows:

Traffic Ordinance #20, previously adopted by the Town of Clarendon on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December 1985, as it may have been amended from time to time, is hereby amended by deleting that ordinance in its entirety upon final passage of the ordinance as set forth below, pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 1971 et seq., and the following ordinance is adopted in lieu of the previous ordinance:

Section I. That State traffic laws regulating the speed of vehicles shall be applicable upon all streets and roads within the Town of Clarendon, Vermont except as this ordinance hereby declares and determines upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation.

Section II. That, unless otherwise posted and except as otherwise provided in section 3 of this ordinance, the maximum lawful speed on all town highways shall be 35 miles per hour.

Section III. That speed limits other than the 35 miles per hour limit provided in section 2 of this ordinance shall be as hereinafter set forth on those streets and highways herein designated at all times when appropriate signs are erected upon the street or highway.

SPEED LIMITS

1. Walker Mountain Road (TH 3): Beginning on Walker Mountain Road and heading westerly on this road from the junction of Middle Road (TH 1) and Walker Mountain Road a distance of .60 miles to the junction of Walker Mountain Road TH 3 and the Creek Road (TH 2).  
35 mph
2. Walker Mountain Road (TH 3): Beginning at the junction of Creek Road (TH 2) and Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) and heading west to the East Tinmouth Road (TH 11) for a distance of 1.50 miles.  
35 mph
3. Walker Mountain Road (TH 3): Beginning at the point where East Tinmouth Road (TH 11) intersects with Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) heading in a westerly direction to where Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) intersects with Quarterline Road (TH 9) for a distance of 0.2 miles.  
25 mph
- 3A. Walker Mountain Road (TH 3): Beginning at West Tinmouth Road (TH 22) heading in a southeasterly direction to the intersection of Firehouse Road (TH 10) for a distance of 0.19 miles.  
35 mph
4. Walker Mountain Road (TH 3): Beginning at the point where West Tinmouth Road (TH 22) intersects with Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) and heading first westerly then in a northwest direction to the junction of Route 133 for a distance of 3.1 miles.  
35 mph
5. Middle Road (TH 1): Beginning on the Middle Road (TH 1) at the Rutland Town Line, heading southerly on Middle Road (TH 1) a distance of 3.56 miles to the intersection of the Middle Road and the Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).  
40 mph
6. Cold River Road (TH 6): Beginning on Cold River Road (TH 6) at the Rutland Town Line heading southerly to the jct. of Shrewsbury Town line.  
35 mph
7. Creek Road (TH 2): Beginning at the junction of Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) and Creek Road (TH 2) heading northerly on Creek Road a distance of 3.2 miles to the Rutland Town Line.  
40 mph
8. Alfrecha Road (TH 13): Beginning at the intersection of Middle Road (TH 1) and Alfrecha Road (TH 13), running westerly to the intersection of Alfrecha Road and Creek Road (TH 2).  
40 mph
9. Hier Road (TH 20): Beginning at Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) heading westerly on the Hier Road (TH 20) a distance of 0.70 miles to a dead end.  
25 mph
10. Anderson Hill Road (TH 21): Beginning at Hier Road (TH 20) heading in a southerly direction to the dead-end on Hier Road Extension (TH 21).  
25 mph
11. Clarendon Springs Lane (TH 16): Beginning at Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) heading easterly and southerly on Clarendon Springs Lane (TH 16) a distance of 0.21 miles to a dead end.  
25 mph

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12. Firehouse Road (TH 10): For its entire length for 0.190 miles.  
35 mph
13. Schoolhouse Hill Road (TH 12): Beginning at Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) heading easterly to the Quarterline Road for the entire length of Schoolhouse Hill Road 1.520 miles.  
25 mph
14. West Tinmouth Road (TH 22): Beginning at Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) heading South for the entire length of West Tinmouth Road (TH 22) for 2.200 miles.  
25 mph
15. Beginning at the intersection of East Street (TH 39) heading east for the entire length of Knipes Drive (TH 37), to the cul de sac at the east end of Knipes Drive (TH 37).  
25 mph
16. Gorge Road (TH 25): For its entire length of 1.6 miles.  
25 mph
17. All other town highways and sections of town highways not previously listed or otherwise posted.  
35 mph

Section IV: That traffic signs controlling and regulating traffic shall be erected and maintained as hereinafter set forth on those streets and roads herein designated:

STOP SIGNS

1. Stop sign on Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) at the junction of Middle Road (TH 1).
2. Stop sign on Creek Road (TH 2) north and south side of Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).
3. Stop sign on East Tinmouth Road (TH 11) at the entrance to Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).
4. Stop sign on West Tinmouth Road (TH 22) at the entrance to Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).
5. Stop sign on Gravel Pit Road (TH 24) at the entrance to Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).
6. Stop sign on New Horizons Lane (TH 23) at the entrance to West Tinmouth Road (TH 3).
7. Stop sign on Hier Road (TH 20) at the entrance to Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).
8. Stop sign on Teer Road (TH 17) at the entrance to Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).
9. Stop sign on Schoolhouse Hill Road (TH 12) at the entrance to Quarterline Road (TH 9).
10. Stop sign on Alfrecha Road (TH 13) at the entrance to Creek Road (TH 2).
11. Four way stop sign on Alrecha Road (TH 13) at the entrance to Middle Road (TH 1).
12. Four way stop sign on Moulton Avenue (TH 14) at the entrance to Middle Road (TH 1).
13. Four way stop sign on the north and south side of Middle Road (TH 1) at the junction of Alfrecha Road (TH 13) and Moulton Avenue (TH 14).
14. Stop sign on Schoolhouse Hill Road (TH 12) at the entrance to Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).
15. Stop sign on Scenic View Drive (TH 48) at the entrance to North Shrewsbury Road (TH 4).
16. Stop sign on East Clarendon Road (TH 8) on the north and south sides of the entrance to North Shrewsbury Road (TH 4).
17. Stop sign on Beacon Heights (TH 47) at the entrance to East Clarendon Road (TH 8).

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18. Stop sign on North Shrewsbury Road (TH 4) at the entrance to Cold River Road (TH 6).
19. Stop sign on Windy Lane (TH 42) at the entrance to North Shrewsbury Road (TH 4).
20. Stop sign on North View Drive (TH 43) at the entrance to Windy Lane (TH 42).
21. Stop sign on Windy Lane (TH 42) at the entrance to East Clarendon Road (TH 8).
22. Stop sign on Gorge Road (TH 25) at the entrance to Airport Road (TH 7).
23. Stop sign at Airport to enter onto Airport Road (TH 7).
24. Stop sign on East Street (TH 39) at the entrance to Gorge Road (TH 25).
25. Stop sign on Bump Road (TH 26) at the entrance to East Street (TH 39).
26. Stop sign on Squier Road (TH 19) at the entrance to Middle Road (TH 1).
27. Stop sign at the exit from Mill River Union High School to entrance of Middle Road (TH 1).
28. Stop sign on Meadowcrest Drive (TH 44) at the entrance to Middle Road (TH 1).
29. Stop sign on Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) at the intersection of Gravel Pit Road (TH 24).
30. Stop sign on Mumford Road (TH 46) at the entrance to Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).
31. Stop sign on Quarterline Road (TH 9) at the entrance to Walker Mountain Road (TH 3).
32. Stop sign at the entrance to Route 133 from Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) at Chapman Farm.
33. Stop sign on Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) heading north at the intersection of Walker Mountain Road (TH 3) and Firehouse Road (TH 10).
34. Stop sign on Knipes Drive (TH 37) where it intersects with East Street (TH 39).
35. Stop sign on East Street (TH 39) at the entrance of Gorge Road (TH 25).
36. Stop sign on Gorge Road (TH 25) heading east at the intersection of Gorge Road (TH 25) and East Street (TH 39).

#### YIELD SIGNS

1. Yield sign at the intersection of Firehouse Road (TH 10) and Quarterline Road (TH 9).

Section V: The driver of any vehicle shall obey the instructions of any official traffic control sign or device applicable to him placed in accordance with this chapter, unless otherwise directed by an enforcement officer.

Section VI: It shall be unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle at a speed excess of applicable State traffic laws, and further, it shall be unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle at a speed in excess of any speed declared in this Ordinance, where that speed limit is in force and notice (by properly erected signs) is given thereof.

Section VII: That any violation of any provision of this Ordinance shall be known as a traffic offense and shall be subject to the provisions of 23 V.S.A. § 2201-2207, inclusive.

Section VIII: That should any part of this Ordinance be held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining part shall be severable and shall continue to be in force and effect.

Section IV: That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, recording, and publication as provided by law.

**Town of Clarendon**

**TRAFFIC ORDINANCE #21  
AMMENDMENTS**

Based on the safety of the general public, Road Commissioner Ruane, has suggested the following amendments be made to the current Traffic Ordinance #21:

**1.) Amendment to page 3- SPEED LIMITS**

ADD no. 16- Gorge Road (TH 25) for its entire length of 1.6 miles at 25 mph.

**2.) Amendment to page 5- STOP SIGNS**

ADD no. 35- Stop sign on East Street (TH 39) at the entrance of Gorge Road (TH 35).

**3.) Amendment to page 5- STOP SIGNS**

ADD no. 36- Stop sign on Gorge Road (TH 25) heading east at the intersection of Gorge Road (TH 25) and East Street (TH 39).

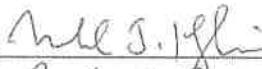

**A full text of Traffic Ordinance #21 is available at the Town Clerks Office during regular business hours or online at [clarendonvt.org](http://clarendonvt.org)**

**CITIZENS RIGHT TO PETITION:**

Citizen's Right to petition for a vote on the Ordinance at the Annual or Special Meeting, as provided for in 24 V.S.A. §1973. The Traffic Ordinance amendments (set forth in this notice) may be disapproved by a vote of a majority of the qualified voters of the Town of Clarendon voting on the question at an annual or special meeting duly warned for that purpose, pursuant to a petition signed and submitted in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 1973 (b). A petition for a vote on a question of disapproving the above amendment to the Clarendon Traffic Ordinance #21 shall be signed by not fewer than five percent of the qualified voters of the Town of Clarendon, and presented to the Select Board or the Town Clerk within 44 days following the date of adoption of the ordinance. If you have any questions about the amendment set forth in this notice, you can write/email Katie Rock at Clarendon Board of Selectmen, PO Box 30, Clarendon, VT 05759, [clarendonadmasst@comcast.net](mailto:clarendonadmasst@comcast.net); or telephone the Town Clerks Office at 802-775-4274.

Unless a petition is filed in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 1973, the ordinance amendments will become effective on August 6, 2020.

Posted on June 23, 2020 in the following locations: Clarendon Town Hall, Clarendon Post Office, Clarendon Transfer Station, Bailey Memorial Library, Loretta's General Store. Notice published in Rutland Herald on June 25, 2020.

SIGNED:  Mike Klopchin, Chair  
SIGNED:  Bob Bixby, Clerk