

TOWN OF WEBSTER
PLANNING BOARD
WORK SESSION MINUTES MAY 6, 2015

9:00 a.m. Chairperson Rauth convened the work session of the Webster Planning Board.

Present were Chairperson Susan Rauth, Members Sue Roman, Jere Buckley and Select Board member Roger Becker. Also in attendance were Lisa Doherty, Regional Manager and John Kostro, General Manager and agents for the Copart facility on 111 Deer Meadow Road, Webster, NH. Also in attendance was Mr. Nicholas Sanders, Senior Traffic Engineer for Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB).

Chairperson Rauth introduced the guests and explained the purpose of the meeting was to initiate the Truck Routing Study. The study will be independently conducted by VHB and will identify the preferred routing network for Copart's truck traffic and what (if any) roadway improvements would be needed short- and long-term to accommodate the heavy truck traffic. The representatives from Copart were invited to attend the meeting in response to a request by Mr. John Reed of Copart. Copart is funding the study.

Mr. Nick Sanders briefly reviewed the project Scope of Work, including field reconnaissance, data collection and roadway curvature assessment. They will also look at traffic volumes and crash data. The information will be put in a matrix and it will be evaluated to determine the most appropriate routes. They will also be looking at low-cost mitigation methods to improve existing conditions.

The Board reviewed the road map with Nick Sanders and the Copart reps and discussed most frequent routes, size of trucks and volume of traffic. Nick Sanders will contact Chief Bob Dupuis in regard to crash data and other factors. Nick Sanders was initiating the field reconnaissance after the meeting.

Roger Becker indicated that Town officials are planning to contact the City of Concord about Copart traffic using approximately two miles of Concord roads (Penacook and Dustin) as an alternative route.

Sue Roman requested that Nick Sanders keep track of the time spent in relation to the budget. If a budget overrun is anticipated it must be approved by the Planning Board and by Copart.

Chairperson Rauth asked if the Copart reps would like to provide any input to the study and they declined.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

These draft minutes were approved as written at the Planning Board meeting of June 18, 2015.

Susan Rauth, Chairperson