# TOWN OF HUDSON

Highway Department

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### HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

#### **AGENDA**

August 7, 2019

# **BUXTON MEETING ROOM 8:30 AM**

Members:

Police Chief – Bill Avery

Fire Chief – Rob Buxton

Public Works Director –Jess Forrence, Chairman

Town Engineer – Elvis Dhima

Planning Board Representative – Brian Groth

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Library Street, Water Street & Connell Street Parking

Other Business:

None

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ATTEND THAT MEETING YOU,

MENTIONED ON AUGUST 7th

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Tewn of Hudson Highway Department 2 Constitution Drive Hudson, NH 03051

Attn: Jess Ferrence

July 18, 2019

We, the undersigned, do hereby request an investigation into the drop off/pick up situation at Eibrary Street School.

The following pages list the problems associated with this activity and some important notes. We are looking to restore our once quiet, little neighborhood to its original status and would greatly appreciate your help in this matter.

Our quality of life has been compromised without consideration.

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## LIST OF HAZARDS

- 1. 4 times a day, we are subjected to disruption. 30-40 cars each time.
- 2. Cars arrive 30 to 45 minutes ahead of time and idle engines. This creates excessive exhaust.
- 3. Cars speed through neighborhood as if on a racetrack, especially when running late.
- 4. Cars block our driveways.
- 5. School busses arrive after parents and drive past them on the wrong side of street to get in front of line. They are also speeding.
- 6. Emergency vehicles cannot make it through when these lines are in place. This includes delivery vehicles and trash removal trucks.
- 7. There are children who walk home from school and have to contend with no sidewalks and inattentive drivers. We have a few new families with small children that have moved in and the drivers are not aware for paying attention.
- 8. Drivers have been observed talking on their cell phones while driving.
- 9. Safety Day has the preschoolers walking down the middle of the street all the way to the ballfield. There is a blind curve at the top of the horseshoe. They have multiple Safety Days during the school year. This also reverts back to the no sidewalk issue.
- 10. Snewsterms create snewbanks after plewing and ice remains, too. This makes visibility a problem and narrows the road.
- 11. Drivers exit cars to socialize with others and stand in street.
- 12. Small children in car line are often observed hanging out windows and sunfoofs and can be unpredictable. Anyone trying to get home is faced with this hazard.
- 13. Trash is thrown out windows including excessive cigarette butts.
- 14. Wear and tear en read surface is apparent.
- 15. Signage needs to be re-addressed.

#### NOTES

- I. School Street has already been designated for drop off and pick up. It is far wider and is closed off during school hours. There is also an assigned crossing guard at the intersection of Library Street and School Street.
- 2. A neighborhood by Alvirne High School successfully petitioned against the student drivers parking on their street and achieved their goal.
- 3. We emphasize that the line up occurs FOUR times a day.
- 4. Idling is detrimental to health and the environment.

  NH law states that temperatures above 32°Fahrenheit limit idling to 5 minutes. The time increases to 15 minutes between -10° Fahrenheit and 32°Fahrenheit.

  In actuality, these idling drivers are polluting the very air their children breathe, especially if the school windows are open.
- 5. It is disconcerting to be in your own yard and have a line of cars watching your every move much less enjoy a patie or perch with all of the exhaust fumes.
- 6. Some parents try to dodge the line by parking in Library Street which creates a hazard for traffic, especially the big trucks, traveling in either direction.
- 7. When Mr. Lane was Superintendent, he decided to re-district the schools. Every one was against it, including the Police Department, the Fire Department, teachers, parents and other members of the community. He did it anyway and now the current Superintendent is content to ignore our concerns as well.
- 8. We have been trying to peacebly resolve this from its inception, to no avail.

Please consider our lifestyle disruption and the way you would feel if your neighborhood was altered so radically...

Thank-You.