



TOWN OF HUDSON

Highway Department

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HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

June 1, 2022

BOS MEETING ROOM 8:00 AM

Members:

Police Chief – Tad Dionne
Fire Chief – Rob Buxton
Public Works Director – Jess Forrence, Chairman
Town Engineer – Elvis Dhima
Planning Board Representative – Brian Groth

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Two Problem traffic areas: intersection of Highland Street at Highland Avenue and the intersection of Ferry Street., Derry Street, and Chase Street.

12 Jacqueline Street, street light request.

15 Central Street, parking issue.

Pedestrian crossing points on Lowell Road.

Smith Farm safely driving equipment on Gibson Road.

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April 19, 2022

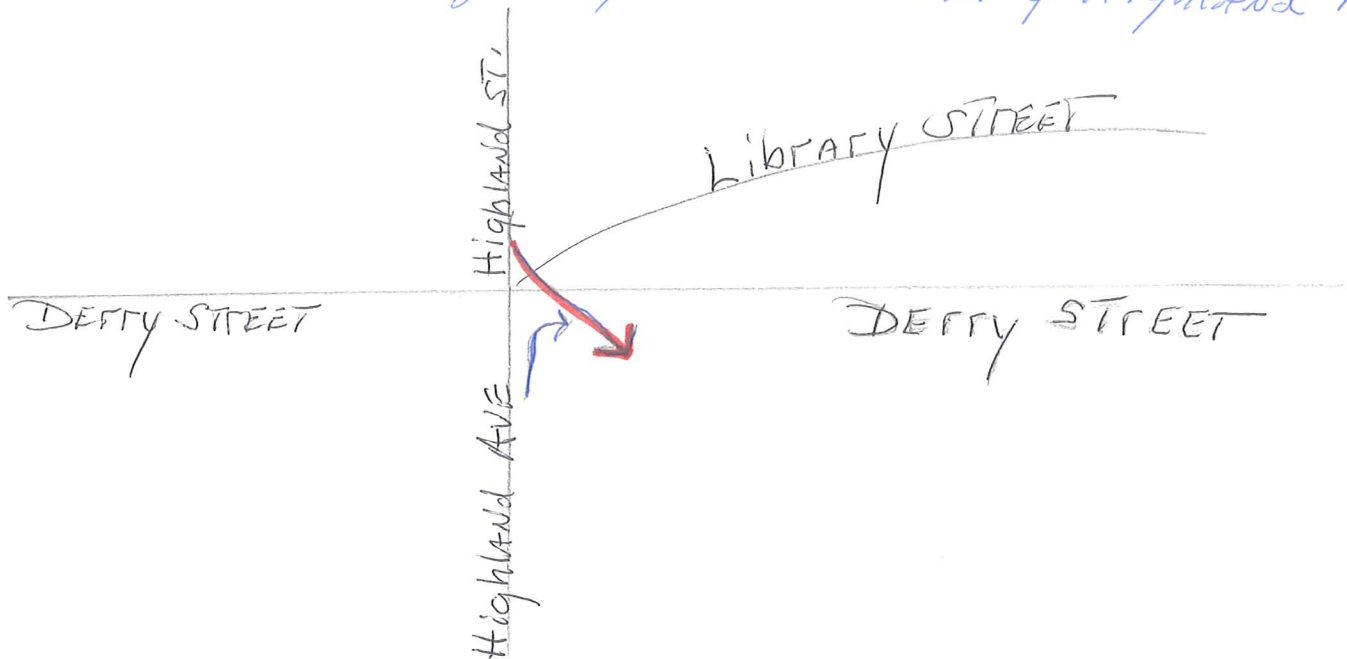


Pamela A. Kendall
P.O. Box 532
Hudson, NH 03051-0532

Hudson Highway Safety Dept
2 CONSTITUTION DRIVE
Hudson, NH 03051

I'm writing to bring to your attention two traffic situations that I think are dangerous, and would ask that changes be made.

The first problem area is located at the traffic light intersection of Highland Street & Highland Ave.



When the light turns green, the drivers on Highland Ave have the right of way. However many drivers from Highland Street cut Highland Ave drivers off. Drivers from Highland Street come shooting across, and this is going to cause an accident. Highland Street should NOT have a green light at the same time as Highland Ave does.

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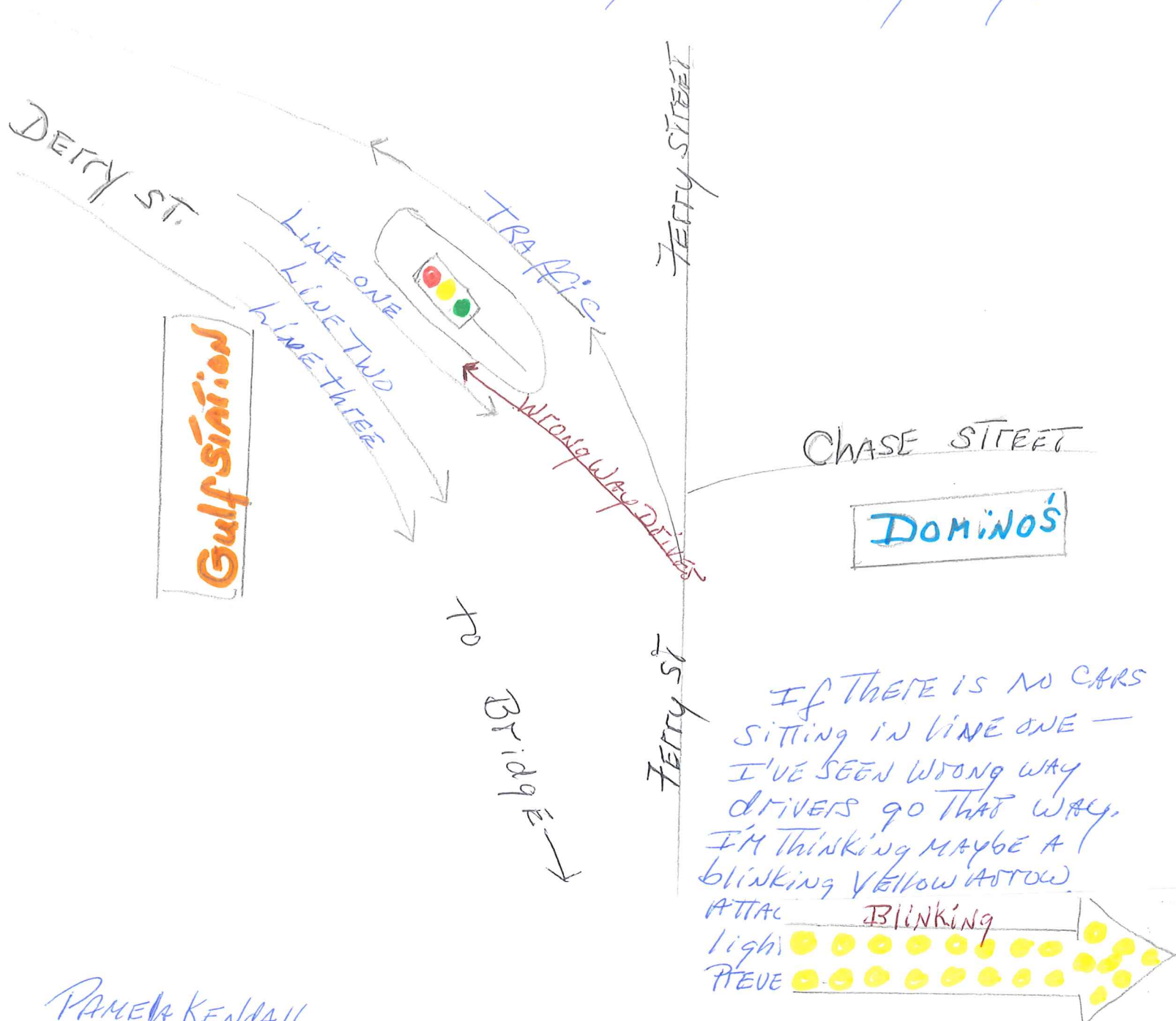
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THE SECOND AREA OF CONCERN IS LOCATED AT THE HIGH TRAFFIC INTERSECTION OF FERRY STREET, DERRY STREET AND CHASE STREET. THIS IS IN REGARDS TO "WRONG WAY" DRIVERS.



PAMELA KENDALL

Chartier, Cheryl

HSC 6/1/22

From: Forrence, Jess
Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2022 2:55 PM
To: Chartier, Cheryl
Subject: Fwd: Street Light

Could you add this to the highway safety committee meeting

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone
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From: Ethan Severance <ethan.severance@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2022 11:34:25 AM
To: jforrence@hudsonnh.gov <jforrence@hudsonnh.gov>
Subject: Street Light

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Hello Mr. Forrence,

I live at 12 Jacqueline Street and would like to request that a street light be installed at the end of our street. The end of the street is very dark and the closest street light is well over 500 feet away. In addition, there is an issue with people illegally riding dirt bikes and ATVs with any lights late at night down the road, and I'm concerned that there will be an accident. I appreciate your attention to this matter. Feel free to give me a call if you'd like to discuss. 315-391-0185.

Best,
Ethan Severance

Chartier, Cheryl

From: Forrence, Jess
Sent: Monday, May 9, 2022 1:52 PM
To: Dhima, Elvis
Cc: Dionne, Tad; Buxton, Robert; Peter DeSalvo; Groth, Brian; Chartier, Cheryl
Subject: RE: 15 Central street - Parking issue

It is now on the June 1st Highway Safety Meeting

Jess Forrence
Public Works Director
2 Constitution Dr
Tell # (603) 886-6018
Fax # (603) 594-1143



From: Dhima, Elvis <edhima@hudsonnh.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 9, 2022 1:16 PM
To: Forrence, Jess <jforrence@hudsonnh.gov>
Cc: Dionne, Tad <tdionne@hudsonnh.gov>; Buxton, Robert <RBuxton@hudsonnh.gov>; Malley, Tim <tmalley@hudsonnh.gov>; Peter DeSalvo <peter@desalvocontracting.com>; Buttrick, Bruce <bbuttrick@hudsonnh.gov>; Groth, Brian <bgroth@hudsonnh.gov>
Subject: RE: 15 Central street - Parking issue

Thanks Peter

Jess, can you please put this on the SHC agenda for a "no parking beyond this point" request

Thank you

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Elvis Dhima, P.E.
Town Engineer

12 School Street
Hudson, NH 03051
Phone: (603) 886-6008
Mobile: (603) 318-8286



From: Peter DeSalvo <peter@desalvocontracting.com>
Sent: Monday, May 9, 2022 9:42 AM
To: Buttrick, Bruce <bbuttrick@hudsonnh.gov>; Forrence, Jess <jforrence@hudsonnh.gov>
Cc: Dhima, Elvis <edhima@hudsonnh.gov>; Dionne, Tad <tdionne@hudsonnh.gov>; Buxton, Robert

<RBuxton@hudsonnh.gov>; Malley, Tim <tmalley@hudsonnh.gov>

Subject: 15 Central street - Parking issue

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Good morning Bruce,

I tried giving you a call but i heard you are on vacation. When you get back intown I wanted to set up a time to meet at the above address to discuss some of the issues I'm having along with safety concerns.

I will leave a brief description below with the issues and concerns I'm having for record, and we can expand more when we meet in person.

Issues that need to be addressed:

- Church (Not a church in my opinion) customers parking in my parking lot, and my entrance all hours of the day. This is disrupting my business along with the other businesses surrounding me.
- Church customers /trucks unloading items for the "thrift" store in my entrance all hours of the day. Are they registered to have a retail store? They have no parking lot how can you run a store out of this place? This is disrupting my business!
- Church customers parking over the white lines on both sides of the road all the way up and down the street. At the bend sometimes is a one lane road because of how the cars are parked.
- Church cars impede on traffic all hours of the day.
- Church cars parked on the side of the road creates a safety barrier at my entrance when leaving. I can't see up the road. Legally, I need to see at least 200'
- 334-15 town zoning code is being violated.
- On Tuesdays and Thursday nights the roads are packed both sides from 1 central street past the legion. Not only is this a traffic and road safety issue but can the church hold this many people inside legally? Should the fire department and code enforcement audit this situation in case of any emergency that could possibly happen.

I have talked to the church multiple times, and they will not do anything about these issues. In fact, they are extremely arrogant!!

Highlighted area indicates the location of church cars parked at any given time of day. (Mostly in my entrance)

See attached pictures from a typical week.



I look forward to getting this resolved.

Sincerely,
Peter



Peter DeSalvo

President

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To: The Members of the Highway Safety Committee

From: Bill Collins

5 Locust Street

Mr. Chairman,

My apologies but I cannot attend a Highway Safety Committee meeting in person due to my work schedule. However I'd would like to forward the following pedestrian safety suggestion for consideration by your committee. If this is something that should be addressed by a different board please let me know and I will move in a different direction. Thank you in advance for your time and any feedback your group may have.

Safe Pedestrian Crossing Points

With increased sidewalk usage by pedestrians along the northerly segment of Lowell Road and higher traffic volume at all hours of the day there is a distinct lack of safe pedestrian crossing options along this part of the roadway. In this area Lowell Road is flank by sidewalks on both sides for a short distance. On the westerly side the sidewalks continue from Central Street southerly and terminate at the intersection of Riverside Ave. On the easterly side of the road the sidewalks continue from Central Street southerly and terminate at Roosevelt Ave. In this stretch of road the only pedestrian crossings are at the intersection of Lowell Road/ Central Street (signalized) and one un-signalized pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Roosevelt Ave and Lowell Road. Reference **Figure 1**, the distance between these two crossing points are 2,500 feet apart which does not offer pedestrians safe crossing alternatives.

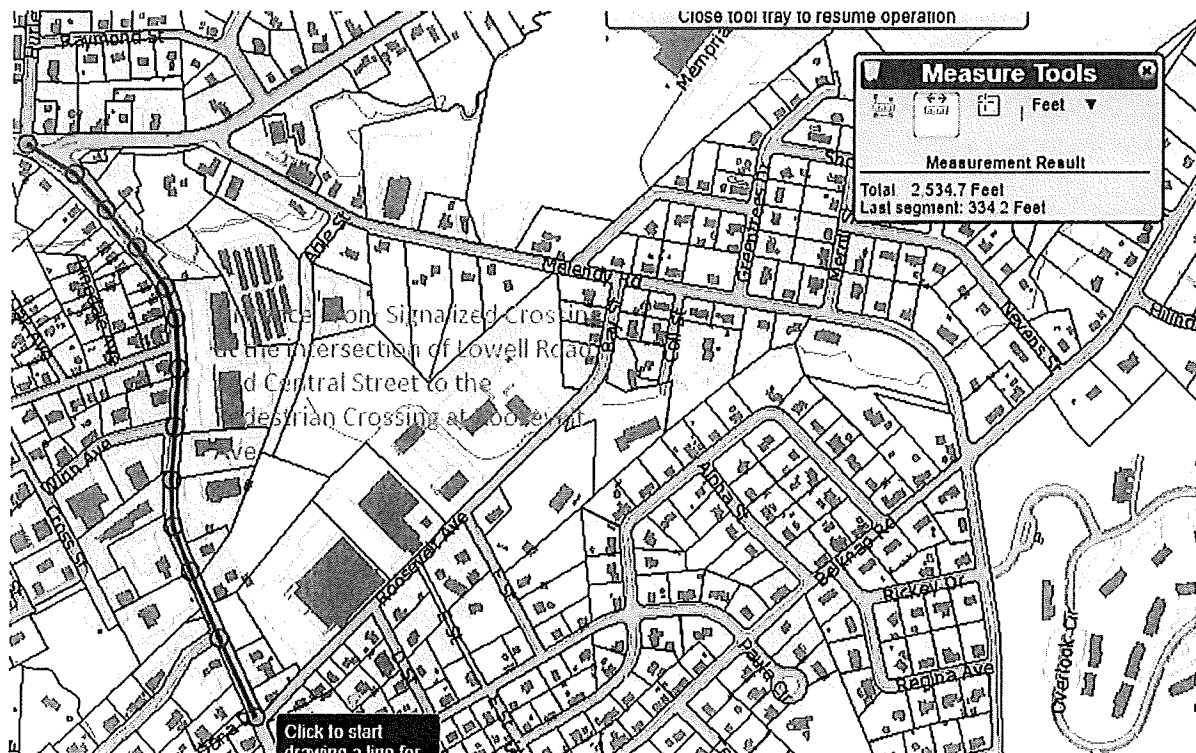


Figure 1

In addition, the next signalized pedestrian crossing location is at the intersections of Birch Street and Lowell Road which is another 1,100 feet south of Roosevelt Ave. For a total distance of 3,400 feet See Figure 2.

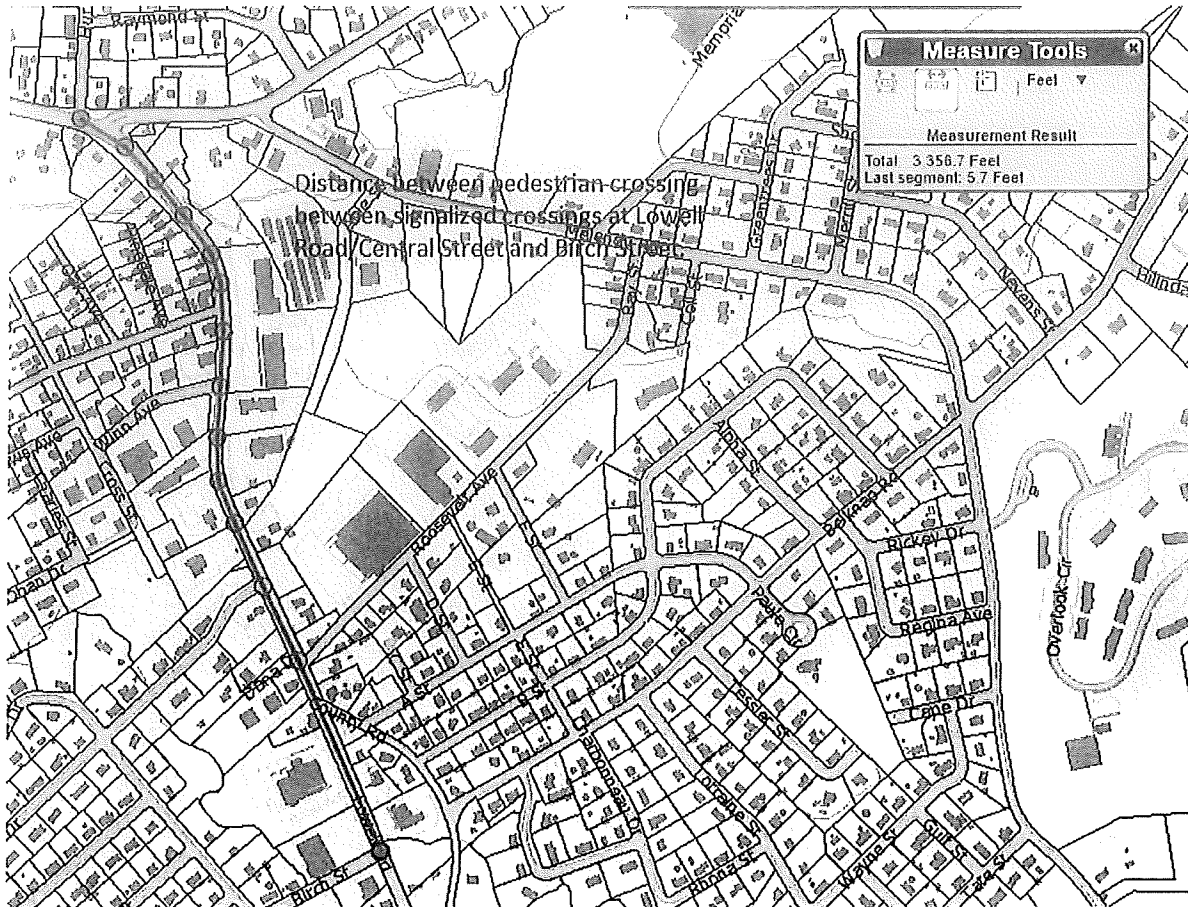


Figure 2

I would like to propose that the Highway Safety Committee consider recommending or act upon adding an additional semi-signalized pedestrian crossing point between the existing crossing of Lowell Road/Central Street and Lowell Road/ Roosevelt Ave. **Figure 3** and **3a** show a location that I believe works well and offers good sight distance in both north and south direction. Installing a crosswalk at this location (between Riverside Ave and Winn Ave) would greatly enhance safety for people looking to cross from neighborhoods on the westerly side of Lowell Road to patronize business located across the street and it would also give people walking southerly on Lowell Road the opportunity to cross over and continue using the sidewalk system. In addition, an upgrade to the un-signalized crossing at Roosevelt Ave with a semi-signalized crossing system could be considered at the same time. The Roosevelt Ave crossing (**Figure 4**)

provides a crossing point for residents living in the area but does not warn motorists of potential pedestrian movements thus creating a safety issue.

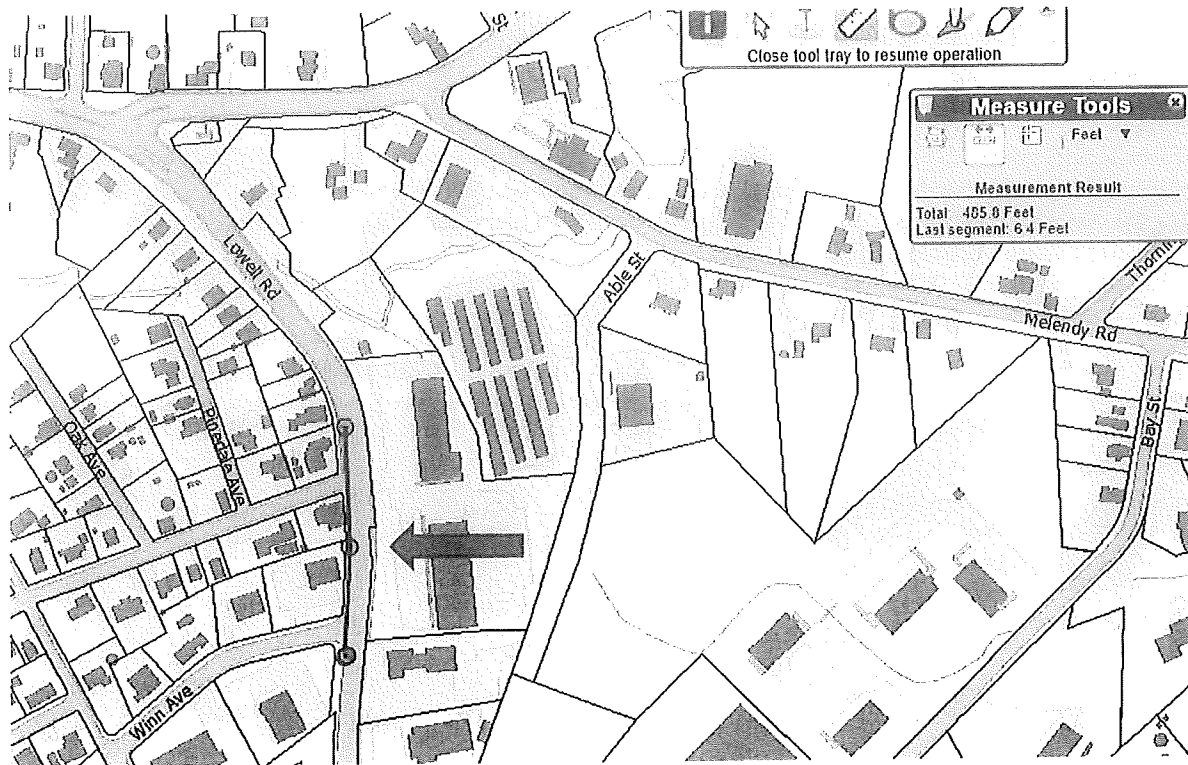


Figure 3 Approximate crosswalk location and sight distance

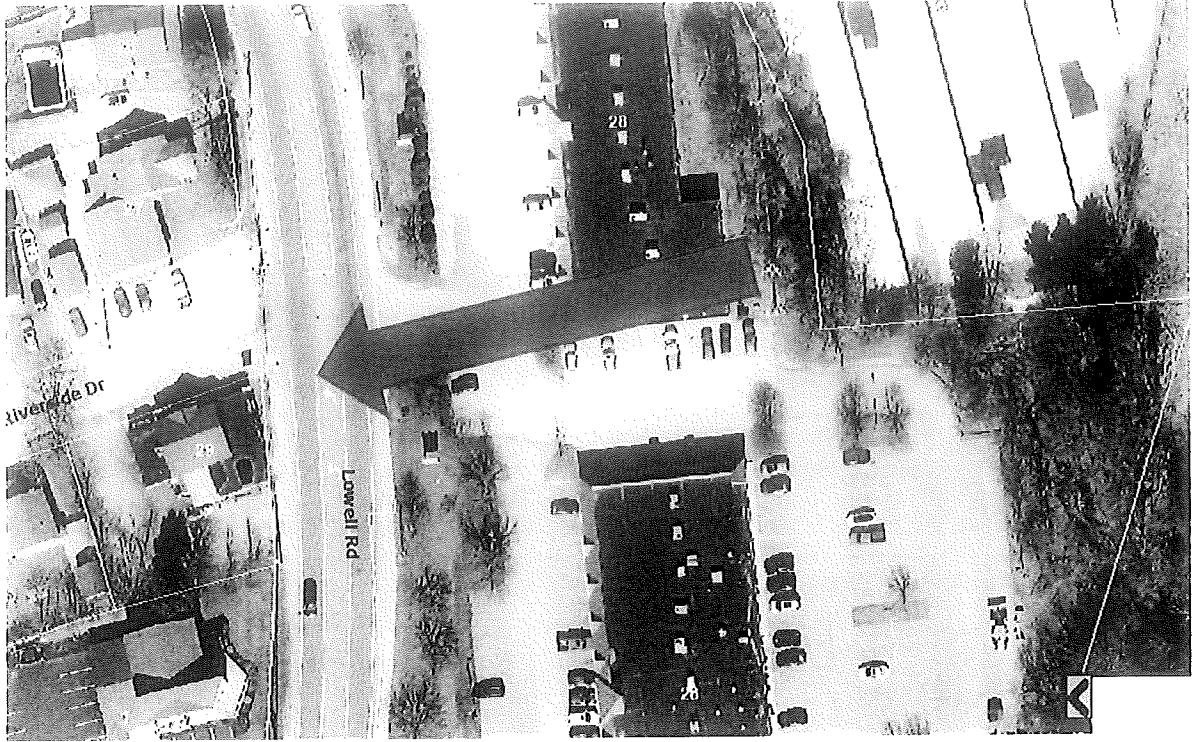


Figure 3a Approximate Location of new crossing

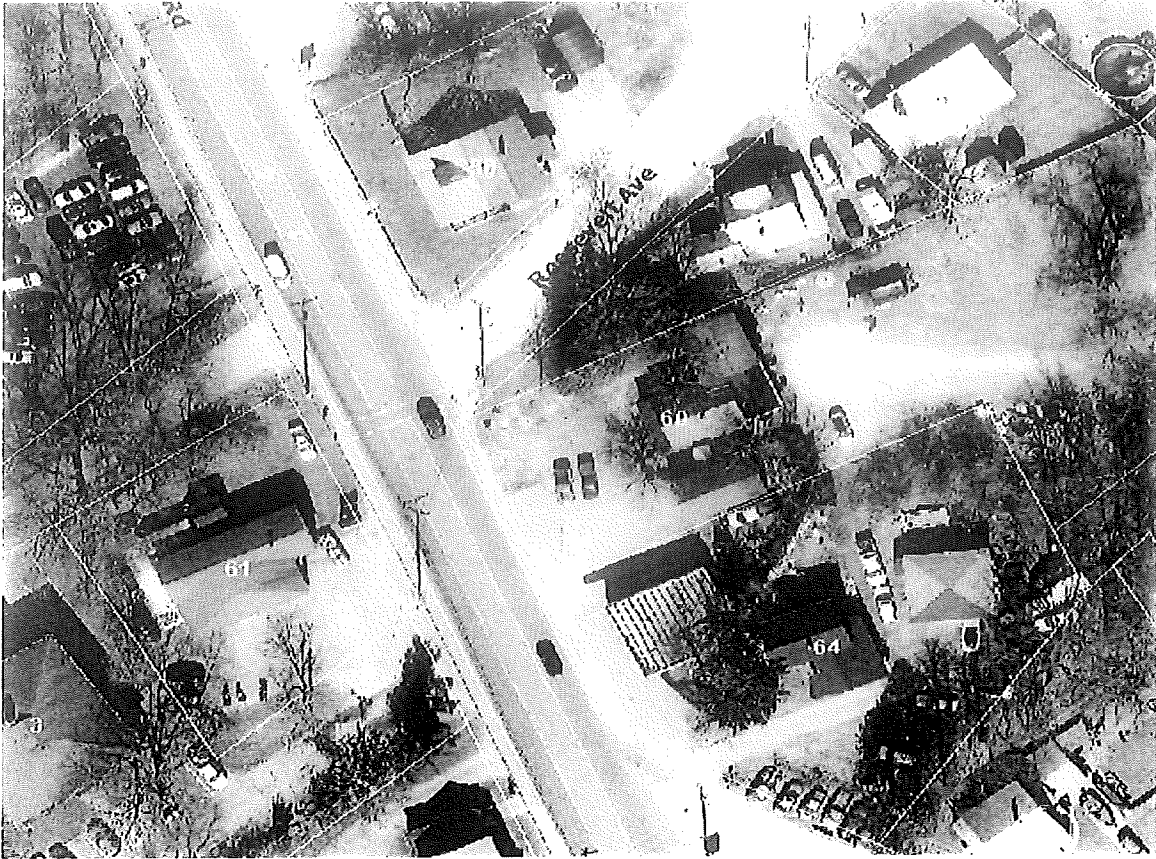


Figure 4 Lowell Road and Roosevelt Ave Crosswalk

Keeping this topic to the point **Figure 5 (last page)** shows an alternative to hardwire signage in an elaborate crossing system. Using an alternative signaling method such as solar powered signs would greatly reduce costs due to the simplified installations process and funding maybe available through corridor impact fees. In closing I'd like to thank you for any consideration of this proposed idea. With fuel prices heading up and summer approaching there will most likely be an increase in foot traffic along our roadways. Providing a safe environment for pedestrians to utilize is an important step that this community should take.

Regards,
Bill Collins

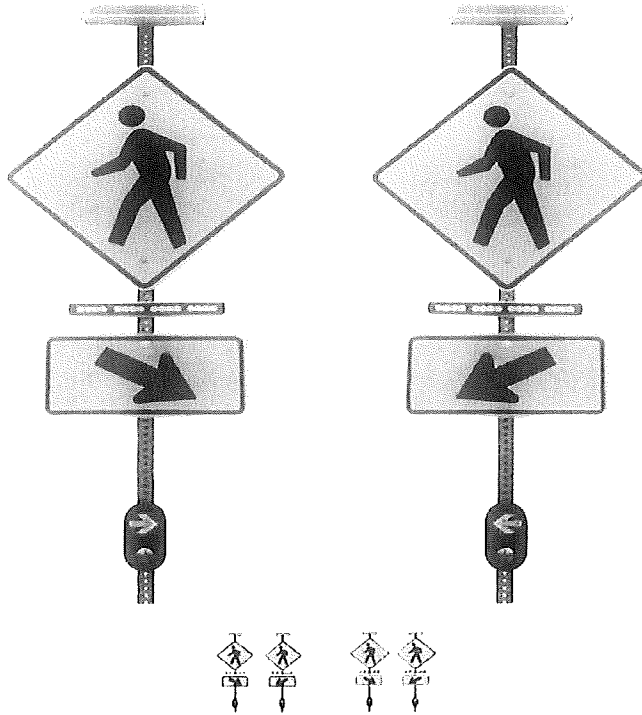


Figure 5: Solar Powered signals (alternative to hardwired signs)

6/1/22 HSC

Highway Safety Department
May 22, 2022
Hudson, NH

We have a farm stand on Kimball Hill Rd and plant our fields on Gibson Rd. Driving the tractors or other equipment on Gibson Rd. has become dangerous. The cars go up and down Gibson Rd at high speeds and seem to think a tractor can move on a dime, they can't. The traffic has become dangerous for us, our employees and our equipment. We would like signage on the north end of Gibson Rd and one by Hawkview Rd. With Eagle's Nest development there are more cars going back and forth without consideration for our equipment and employees. We appreciate your help in this matter.

Thank you



Thomas Smith
3 Gibson Rd.
Hudson, NH

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