



Beacon Falls Board of Selectmen
C/O Town Clerk
10 Maple Avenue
Beacon Falls, CT 06403
Special Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2022
(Subject to Revision)

Members Present:

G. Smith (**GS**), P. Betkoski (**PB**) and M. Krenesky (**MK**)

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Roughly 45 Members of the public and 2 members of the media.

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:

GS called the meeting to order at 6:48 PM and led the assembled in the pledge of allegiance.

2. Speed Enforcement - Discussion & Action:

Clerk read from street list to have stop signs installed.

- i. Rimmon Hill Rd. (intersection of Randall heading south into Seymour).
- ii. Jane St. (heading north on Rimmon Hill rd.)
- iii. Haukenum Glenn and Skokarat (turning it into a 3-way in both directions)
- iv. Lantern Ridge (both directions)
- v. Kaleas Way (turning it into a 3-way intersection)

GS read correspondence from Diane Betkoski. *See exhibit A.* Discussion followed regarding the pros and cons of adding speed humps. Email from town engineer outlining this matter was briefly discussed. **PB** mentioned being in favor of adding two speed humps to Burton Rd. as a trial.

PB made motion to install two speed humps 800 ft apart between 232 and 358 Burton Rd. **MK** seconded with an amendment to the motion stating that they would be a speed table rather than a speed hump. Discussion followed. **MK** withdrew his amendment. **MK** stated his seconding the original motion on the table. All ayes.

Discussion followed comments from the public.

PB withdrew motion.

Discussion on this matter was to be discussed at the regular scheduled BOS meeting that opened directly after this meeting's adjournment. Allowing comments from the public.

3. Adjournment:

Motion made to adjourn at 7:08 PM by **PB**, seconded by **MK**. All ayes.



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Respectfully submitted,

Lauren A. Fennell
Clerk, Board of Selectmen

Exhibit A:

From: Diane Betkoski <dbetkoski@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, August 5, 2022 7:46 PM
To: Gerard Smith <gsmith@beaconfallsct.org>; Michael Krenesky <mkrenesky@beaconfallsct.org>; Peter Betkoski <pbetkoski@beaconfallsct.org>
Cc: joeb49 <joeb49@hotmail.com>; TKewalis@yaho.com; nbetkoski@yahoo.com; kristencav11@aol.com; Marla Scirpo <marla920@hotmail.com>; Barbara Betkoski <bbetkoski@comcast.net>
Subject: Residential road safety concerns

Dear Gerry, Michael and Peter,

Thank you for the announcement of our Towns plan to help slow traffic on several residential roads in Beacon Falls.

After speaking with several families living on Blackberry Hill I would like to request that this road be added to the listing of roads which are in need of reducing traffic speed.

Since the widening of this road several years ago, past and ongoing housing developments and increased car, truck and large and heavy transport vehicle traffic driving at excessive speed, there have been multiple accidents, including hazardous waste spills near streams and brooks. Just last week the mailbox at 85 Blackberry Hill was struck by a vehicle and the newspaper tube at 133 was damaged by the speeding vehicle force.

Additional signage and flashing vehicle speed signs do not seem to have slowed traffic on Rimmon or Burton Roads, therefore as referenced in your traffic plan recommendation and as implemented by the Town of Prospect, residents would like to request:



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1. road milling be applied in several locations on Blackberry Hill
2. speed bumps in strategic locations
3. No thru truck signs (currently on Rimmon Hill)
4. Speed monitoring
5. Cut away from existing speed limit sign at bottom of BH. To date the only one traffic sign is at located across from her house and partially covered by brush.



6. Many residents offered their driveways for parked police vehicles to conduct speed traps.

Please feel free to contact me for questions or clarification.

Thank you for your efforts to improve safety on our town roads and for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Diane Betkoski

133 Blackberry Hill

203.997.6570

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows