

Town of Vernon
Vernon Traffic Authority
Thursday, January 13, 2022, 6:00 p.m.
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APPROVED MINUTES

Chief John Kelley called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Committee members in attendance were Robert O’Gara, Daniel Wasilewski, and Mason Thrall. Absent were Jon Paul Roden and Charlie Bettinger. Staff member present was George McGregor, Town Planner.

1. Approval of minutes from October 21, 2021 meeting.
Robert O’Gara MOVED to approve the minutes from October 21, 2021, with one spelling correction. Dan Wasilewski seconded. Motion carried with one abstention.

2. New Business
Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB) has been retained by Naek Construction Co, Inc. to complete a traffic impact and access study (TAS) for the proposed townhouse development, “The Village at Naek Road, “ [PZ-2021-19] located on the parcels of 291 & 293 Talcottville Road and 27, 32, 37, 38, and 46 Naek Road in Vernon. The proposed development of this site consists of the construction of 70 townhouse units. Parking for the townhouses is provided at each unit with approximately 45 additional guest spaces provided throughout the development.

Present were Rashid Hamid, applicant; Eric Peterson, P.E., of Gardner & Peterson Associates, LLC; and Charlie Baker, Senior Traffic Engineer, VHB. Eric Peterson briefly went over the site plan. Charlie Baker then explained the study and evaluation process. The final conclusion is there will be minimal traffic generated by the proposed development and it will have a negligible impact on surrounding traffic conditions. Questions were raised regarding light cycling and emergency vehicle turn around space, and curb cuts. George McGregor shared the site plans. Discussion took place.

Mason Thrall MOVED to approve the plans, Robert O’Gara seconded with the condition that dead-end turns for emergency vehicles are included. Motion carried unanimously with the conditions.

3. Open Discussion
Discussion took place regarding a second exit out of the development. Dan Wasilewski noted there would be a required second exit that is a gated and emergency road only. Conditions will include the road must be cleared after all storms and the surface will be good enough for heavy vehicles. These will be required in the fire code along with the turnarounds for emergency vehicles.

4. Adjournment
Mason Thrall MOVED to adjourn at 6:25pm. Robert O’Gara seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,


Susan Hewett
Recording Secretary