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Beach Advisory Committee

Safety Sub-Committee
Traffic Safety

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Priorities for Summer 2022

- Items that ***could*** be implemented for 2022:
 - Landscaping, construction and maintenance vehicles must park on private properties rather than park along roads where parking is prohibited (enforcement of Kennebunkport ordinances)
 - Deploy occasional use of speed monitor on the west end of Kings Highway. Continue with sporadic speed monitor use on Dyke Road and New Biddeford Road. Perhaps buy one for GRB exclusively
 - Increased police presence and enforcement on Dyke Road and the west end of Kings Highway to enforce speed limit
 - Striping west end of Kings Highway and Community House Road with edge stripes. Striping tends to slow down traffic
 - Move garbage and recycling pickup to Friday, like it was for years. This could avoid congestion on weekends when there are more joggers, pedestrians, cyclists and strollers, as well as renters packing up. As well there are more owners, as well as their guests coming up for the weekend. In addition, for those owners, and their guests coming up on Friday nights, the garbage outside is an eyesore
 - Increased use of towing for offenders parking illegally. Concept of escalating fines?

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- Items that **could** be implemented for 2022 (cont'd):
 - The use of a speedbump on Dyke Road. Continue use of speedbumps on New Biddeford Road
 - Adding crosswalk(s) on west end. Since almost all Rights of Way are private, and past experience tells us that people tend to use a crosswalk area to drop off traffic, any benefit may prove marginal at best.
 - Adding color/design to existing crosswalks on Kings Highway
 - Limit hours for large construction (non-emergency) vehicles to 7:30-9:30am Monday-Friday (before people start coming to the beach)
 - Arrow sign on telephone pole at intersection of Dyke Road and Kings Highway, that says, "General Beach Parking" pointing east, and indicating a turn left. Other possible solution:
 - Implementation of electronic sensors and electronic signs on Dyke Road and New Biddeford Road (entrances to the beach) indicating where spots are available. For the west end especially, this could avoid the additional traffic of people driving all the way to the end to find out there are no spots (most of the time) and then racing back to the other end to find a spot
 - Signs at kiosk indicating where the parking spots are
 - Parking allowed from dawn to 10:30 pm. No overnight parking in any parking space without permission

Information Dissemination

- Letter to homeowners and rental agencies (and include in tax bill) regarding the concerns about traffic and safety concerns raised by the Traffic and Safety Subcommittee on all roads, especially Kings Highway, and :
 - Pointing out importance of walking on side walks and walking facing traffic
 - Enforcement of parking on Kings Highway
 - Enforcement of no parking (landscape, construction et all) in no parking areas
 - Any concepts from this presentation adopted by the BOS
- Engaging the residents of the community in recognizing the overall traffic problem and helping to manage is a top priority. Most people recognize the risks associated with traffic and speeding. Residents of the community will benefit from reminders that they can moderate these problems through their own actions
- Better information, awareness and communication and signage to advise motorists, pedestrians and cyclists of the rules of the road