



**GARDINER CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET**



Meeting Date	09/16/2020	Department	Police
Agenda Item	4.c Discussion Surrounding Speed Limit Set for Marston Road		
Est. Cost	n/a		

Background Information

This past summer the City Manager was contacted by Jennifer Boudreau in regards to speed issues on Marston Road. She had reached out to Chief Toman several times and had been advised to call dispatch when a speeder was on the road. Although that person may have been long gone by the time our department responded it would keep a presence on the road to hopefully divert future incidents.

The city has an opportunity to ask the Maine DOT to conduct a speed analysis on Marston Road to determine if the speed limit assigned is actually proper for that area.

Requested Action	'I move to allow the City Manager to request from the Maine Department of Transportation a speed analysis on Marston Road.'
City Manager and/or Finance Review	The City Manager recommends the above action.
Council Vote/ Action Taken	
Departmental Follow-Up	

City Clerk Use Only	1 st Reading _____	Advertised _____	EFFECTIVE DATE _____
	2 nd Reading _____	Advertised _____ w/in 15 Days	
	Final to Dept _____	Updated Book _____	Online _____

Christine Landes

From: Jennifer Boudreau <jenboudreau228@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2020 2:10 PM
To: Christine Landes
Subject: Re: Marston Road Speed

Thank you for your email Christine!

Chief Toman has been super helpful. He did tell me the same thing. The only issue with that is by the time I actually speak to someone at dispatch, the speeder is long gone. I also feel silly saying a white loud truck just flew by my house without much more description because I couldn't memorize the license or make because they were driving so fast. But if that's what I need to do, I will.

I understand that it would take a considerable amount of time for DOT to go through the process but we are still interested in pursuing this. We strongly feel that the speeders on the road are a danger to those who live here.

Thank you once again,
Jen

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 22, 2020, at 9:47 AM, Christine Landes <CLandes@gardinermaine.com> wrote:

Thank you for your email.

I have spoken to Chief Toman and he assured me that patrols are continuing in that area and to encourage you to call dispatch when speeders are being seen.

In the past, in other municipalities, I have asked the DOT to do a speed survey where they analyze the road, its condition, and amount of traffic to warrant a certain speed. This request must come from the governing body of the municipality; i.e. City Council.

If you would like to place your concerns and request in writing, I will take it to the City Council for them to approve the DOT request. I will tell you though that the DOT does not respond quickly to such a request and it could be next year before they act on it.

Let me know how you would like to proceed.

Thanks

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