

ORDER

STANDISH TOWN COUNCIL

DATE: April 12, 2016
ORDER NUMBER: 37-16

Submitted by: Blanck

TITLE: AUTHORIZE LETTER TO MAINEDOT FOR CHANGE TO SPEED LIMIT ON ROUTE 113 IN THE VICINITY OF STEEP FALLS VILLAGE

WHEREAS the speed limit on Route 113 in the vicinity of Steep Falls Village towards the Baldwin town line changes from 35 to 50 mph, and

WHEREAS this area has seen increased vehicle and pedestrian traffic due to improvements and increased development in the area since these speed limits were established, and

WHEREAS local residents and Town Councilors have voiced concerns regarding this 50 mph speed zone, now therefore be it

ORDERED that Standish Town Council requests that the Maine Department of Transportation conduct a speed limit analysis for reduction of this speed zone.

APPROVED _____ DISAPPROVED _____

ROLL CALL YEA NAY ABSTAIN

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April 12, 2016

Ms. Cathy Desouza
Maine Department of Transportation
PO Box 358 (Pleasant Hill Road)
Scarborough, Maine 04070

Re: Speed Limit on Route 113 in the vicinity of Steep Falls Village to the Baldwin Town Line

Dear Ms. Desouza,

The Town of Standish would like MaineDOT to evaluate the speed limit on Route 113 in the vicinity of Steep Falls Village towards the Baldwin Town Line. The speed is now posted at 35 mph in the village and it rises to 50 mph in the vicinity of the Medical Clinic and the entrance to the Acres of Wildlife Campground. This 50 mph section within Standish has residential build up and a blind curve due to ledge and the Town has concerns regarding the safety though this area.

This area has seen increased vehicle and pedestrian traffic due to improvements in the Steep Falls Village area. The Town is requesting that MaineDOT review this section of Route 113, to consider if decreasing the speed limit is warranted.

Sincerely,

Lynn Olson
Chair, Standish Town Council