ROADWAY: Old Huntingdon Pike

SPEED SURVEY

APRIL 2019

INITIAL COMPLAINT: The Traffic Safety Unit conducted this survey based on a complaint from a resident and the ward Commissioner.

DESCRIPTION OF AREA: Old Huntingdon Pike is a two lane roadway posted at 25 MPH. It intersects Susquehanna Rd to the north and Cedar Rd to the south. There are residential homes on both sides of the street.

INFORMATION GATHERING METHOD: The Speed survey was conducted with a Portable Speed Sign. The sign is attached to a pole and uses radar to record traffic volume and speed data. Crash data was obtained for Old Huntingdon Pike (800-1100 block) for the last 5 years. Crash data showed that there were 5 crashes during this period. Two were side swipe crashes caused by driver’s not paying attention. Two were vehicles backing out of driveways and hitting a mailbox and another vehicle. One crash was a vehicle leaving the roadway due to a DUI. No crashes were contributed to speed.

FACTORS: The speed of the vehicles using this section of Old Huntingdon Pike showed that 2.5% of the traffic met the criteria for enforcement. The 85th percentile speed for this section of Old Huntingdon Pike was 29 MPH. 6,485 vehicles were monitored in this survey.

ANALYSIS: At this time, speeding does not seem to be an issue on this section Old Huntingdon Pike. The average speed was 24 MPH. Based on the analysis; the roadway appears to be appropriately posted.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Speed Zones were placed at Jane Rd and on the 700 block of Old Huntingdon Pike. We will continue enforcement at those locations. A speed cart or portable speed sign may be placed out here to remind motorists of their speed.

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