

**Business of the Village Board
Village of Saranac Lake**

SUBJECT: Stop Signs Park Ave

DATE: 12-11-2023

DEPT OF ORIGIN: Trustee Shapiro

BILL # 163-2023

DATE SUBMITTED: 12-7-2023

EXHIBITS: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Village Attorney

Village Administration

EXPENDITURE
REQUIRED

AMOUNT
BUDGETED

APPROPRIATION
REQUIRED:

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION

MOVED BY: Shapiro SECONDED BY: Catillaz

VOTE ON ROLL CALL:

MAYOR WILLIAMS

no

TRUSTEE BRUNETTE

yes

TRUSTEE CATILLAZ

yes

TRUSTEE SCOLLIN

absent

TRUSTEE SHAPIRO

yes

Stop Signs for Park Avenue

Whereas, the health and safety of the people of Saranac Lake is our primary concern;
and

Whereas, residents of Park Ave on May 1, 2023, requested additional Stop Signs be
installed at the intersection of Park and Catherine; and

Whereas, this request was discussed at the June 12, 2023, board meeting with general
agreement that this would be appropriate; and

Whereas, this request was discussed at multiple subsequent board meetings with
general agreement that this would be appropriate; and

Whereas, this request has been discussed for six months with no action;

Therefore, Be it resolved, the Board of Trustees hereby requests that the Village
Manager has the village DPW department order and install stop signs on Park Ave at the
intersection with Catherine St and take appropriate actions to add additional measures
to alert drivers of the new traffic control feature.

Village of Saranac Lake
Village Board
39 Main St, Unit 9,
Saranac Lake, NY 12983

May 1, 2023

To the Members of the Village Board:

We residents of the Park Avenue Neighborhood of the Village of Saranac Lake are writing to request that the intersection of Park Avenue and Catherine Street be made into a four-way stop by adding two new stop signs that stop traffic on Park Ave at the intersection.

We make this request in the interest of public safety and we believe that two new stop signs will be an effective and inexpensive way to reduce traffic speed. As you know, over the past decade numerous families with young children have moved to the neighborhood and the streets are often filled with children on bicycles. Additionally, the visibility for drivers at the intersection of Park Ave and Catherine Street is limited in the summer by vegetation and in the winter by snowbanks, increasing the risk of collision. There has been at least one vehicle collision at the intersection in the last few years.

Park Avenue is a wide and straight street with a design that inadvertently promotes higher driving speeds. Since the Village annexed that part of Park Ave through the former American Management Association, it has become an alternative route for leaving town. The placement of new stop signs at Grove Street and Park Avenue in 2020 made significant improvements to slowing traffic in that part of the neighborhood. We greatly appreciate the Village's efforts to control traffic speeds on Park Ave and Grove Street and ask that you expand this good work to Park Ave and Catherine Street.

Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

The undersigned residents of the Park Avenue Neighborhood:

Name	Address	Signature
1. Barbara Ohmann	40 Cliff Rd	Barbara Ohmann
2. Stephen Langdon	33 Cliff Rd	Stephen Langdon
3. Andrew Kelly	230 Park Ave Unit 2	Andrew Kelly

Name	Address	Signature
4. Kristi J. Colanusso	425 Park Ave. Saranac Lake NY	Kristi J. Colanusso
5.		
6. Katelyn Daggett	416 Park Ave.	Katelyn Daggett
7. Mark Hefschneider	443 Rte	Mark Hefschneider
8. CHRIS MONACO	399 PARK AVE	Chris Monaco
9. Emily Monaco	399 Park Ave	Emily Monaco
10. Roger Catania	383 park Ave.	Roger Catania
11. Sunita Halasz	23 Cliff Rd	Sunita Halasz
12. Thomas Dadd	86 Catherine St	Thomas Dadd
13. Kim Mens	86 CATHERINE	Kim Mens
14. Regina Luper	211 Park Ave	Regina Luper
15. DENNA LEONARD	175 Catherine St.	Denna Leonard
16. BRUCE GONARD	175 CATHERINE ST.	Bruce Leonard
17. Valerie Pawlewicz	93 Old Military Rd	Valerie Pawlewicz
18. Leo Pickens	93 Old Military Rd	Leo Pickens
19. Dan Raily	97 Old Military Rd. S.L.	Dan Raily
20. Mary Agnes Pelletier	97 Old Military Rd.	Mary Agnes Pelletier
21. Kate Lyn Knight	145 Old Military Rd.	Kate Lyn Knight
22. Tracey Henderson	299 Park Ave	Tracey Henderson
23. Howard Lyant	34 CLIFF RD	Howard Lyant