

GLENDALE RAILROAD SAFETY & QUIET ZONE COMMITTEE

October 17, 2007 Meeting Minutes

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 31, from 6:30-8:30 pm at Town Hall.

October 17 attendance: Jack Buescher, Oliver Debikey, John Earls, Ralph Hoop, Becky Love, Dan Raabe.

Next Steps:

1. Diagnostic Review of Glendale/Woodlawn crossings on October 23 – CSX, FRA and local attendees
2. Develop a presentation outline for a public review of Quiet Zone options at Town Hall on either Monday, 11/12, or Thursday, 11/15 – John Earls
3. Develop a plan for possible retest of RCL Wayside Horns – Oliver Debikey

A Diagnostic Review of Glendale/Woodlawn crossings will be held on October 23 with representatives from the Federal Railroad Administration and CSX. There will be no representative from any State agency because Ohio participation would be contingent upon a probability that the Albion Road crossing would be closed, and this has not been determined. Agenda materials are included as attachments.

Railroad Controls Limited has provided drawings showing the number and positioning of wayside horns at each Glendale crossing for use during the Diagnostic Review and to provide the basis for a possible retest of wayside horns. RCL provided these drawings at no charge. PDF's of these drawings are attached.

Details of a conversation about Quiet Zone Risk Calculation between Dave Schmid and Ron Ries, FRA Director for the Risk Calculator, are attached.

Based upon the information the Committee has assembled to date, the four most promising train horn noise options for Glendale are: Four-quadrant gates at Sharon & Oak, Wayside Horns at Sharon, Albion & Oak, Wayside Horns at Sharon & Oak with Albion closed, or do nothing. A display of these options dated October 5 is attached.

The next meeting on October 31 will review outcomes from the Diagnostic Review and develop materials for the Council update on November 5 and for the Town Hall meeting in mid-November.

For the Committee

Ralph Hoop