

Trans Canada Yellowhead Highway Association  
Annual General Meeting

Province: **Manitoba**

Resolution # 2021-01

**SUBJECT: SAFETY UPGRADES TO PEDESTRIAN CROSSING**

**SUBMITTED BY: Town of Churchbridge**

WHEREAS: a pedestrian crossing exists at the intersection of Highway #80 and Highway #16; and,

WHEREAS, the speed limit passing through the Town of Churchbridge is 60 kms/hour and Royal Canadian Mountain Police (RCMP) traffic statistics show speeding is an issue heading through the Town; and,

WHEREAS, the pedestrian crossing push button is beside the highway versus beside the sidewalk; and,

WHEREAS, the visibility at a two highway crossing intersection is limited regarding lighting and signage to provide safety for pedestrians; and,

WHEREAS, the accessibility for pedestrians with use of wheelchairs or strollers is limited for the current crossing in place; and,  
(one or more reason for proposing the resolution)

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

That the TCYHA advocate to the Department of Highways to provide better lighting and signage for pedestrians at the crossing intersection of Highway #16 & Highway #80, to advocate relocating the current pedestrian push button, and to provide better accessibility to patrons for a safer crossing along the TransCanada Highway.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION REGARDING PEDESTRIAN CROSSING**

The Town of Churchbridge created a survey on the town of Churchbridge Facebook social media page asking for residents input. The one thing that was brought up was the lack of safety for the TransCanada highway #16 that runs through the Churchbridge community.

The town received multiple inquiries from residents to try and provide upgrades to the crossing such as better lighting, better accessibility, and better access to the pedestrian cross walk button.

The area is at the intersection of two major highways- Highway #16 and Highway #80. Neither highway has any traffic lights to control such an intersection for vehicular traffic. Some residents have expressed concerns of traffic not slowing down. Another frequent concern were parents commenting that they would never let their child cross the current intersection due to the lack of safety.

The current lighting is Dim and does not stand out. Regarding accessibility, there is a ridge of cement and grass/dirt that a person with a wheel chair or stroller would have to go over before pushing the button to safety cross. In addition, this button is located right next to Highway #16. A VEHICLE COULD SIDESWIPE THE PEDESTRIAN OR INDIVIDUAL.

The pedestrian cross walk button should be moved closer to the sidewalk instead of along the edge of highway #16.

Moved by:

Seconded by: