

## Chicopee crash- DH

Yesterday Betsy and I assisted the Chicopee PD in reenacting the woman's fatal move. They placed a cone where witnesses said she had been standing to leave her condo complex and on the other side of the road where she was struck by a car from behind. She was 75yo, was not wearing a helmet and by the gear she was in I would asses she didn't know much about riding a bike. It was a very difficult start in the 7th gear of her cruiser bike.

The PD Recon team had us each ride from the start accross the road 10 times. They will average that info and then calculate (potentially) how fast the driver may have been traveling. The PD don't believe the driver was speeding because he said he wasn't and he works just up the street.

Also revealed to us yesterday was that the closer side traffic had stopped to let her cross. They have also checked the driver's phone and the driver was not texting at the time of the crash.

The cyclist also was leaving from the wrong side of the driveway. While we will have to wait and see what Chicopee ultimately decides, it was interesting to see how much effort they are putting into deternining fault/no fault.

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