

TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA
TUESDAY, APRIL, 11, 2023
THE REGATTA @ 7:30P.M.

New Business

1. Jefferson Avenue cul-de-sac parking
2. Speed Limit at Harbor Island
3. Stuart (Lawn Terrace side)
4. Speed limit sign Osborne Ave and Harrison Ave

Old Business

1. 412 North Barry- parking space removal
2. Ranking/Prioritization of Spreadsheet
3. Complaint Form

Minutes

Approve February 14, 2023 minutes

Village of Mamaroneck

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Traffic Commission Meeting MINUTES

Minutes prepared by David Brown

Present: Chairman Ryan Buck; Leilani Yizar-Reid, Trustee Liaison; Commission Members : Rob Stark, David Brown, Richard Clifford; Dan Sarnoff, Assistant Village Manager; Andy LaRocca, Fire Department; Tina Maresca

ABSENT: Laura Abbate, Michael Star, Lt. Mark Gatta

Ryan made a motion to open meeting at 7:03 pm. Robert seconded. All in favor.

New Business

Web form for traffic complaints

Discussion of a new Web form for complaints was moved to the March Traffic Commission meeting.

Rockland Crosswalk at Harmon Drive

Issue: Continued followup on this area, which is a complicated situation and has been seen as a danger for pedestrians, especially kids walking to or from school. Recently, parking was removed on one side of Rockland. Tina reports, "It's great with the parking removed." One remaining issue is that there is no crosswalk for kids.

Discussion:

There was a suggestion that the Traffic Commission should do a walking study or assessment of the area. Dan Sarnoff will reach out to our traffic engineer to arrange that. It may need to wait until the weather is better.

Dan reported that "we want to make a more holistic approach to the area." For instance, looking at a "walking lane" similar to what was done on Old Post Road in Orienta.

Action: Dan will get us some more information and schedule that walking tour.

Saxon Drive at Mamaroneck Ave

Issue: It is difficult for residents to pull out of Saxon Drive onto Mamaroneck Ave; since the Mamaroneck Ave work has finished, cars are moving faster and the sign that used to indicate to slow down was removed for that construction and has not been replaced.

The county had two signs up indicating the curve, including flashing lights, but that signage is not there anymore.

Action: Dan will email the deputy commissioner of County public works (and others) to have that signage replaced.

Center Avenue between Plaza and Rockland

Issues: Stop sign was knocked down, and was reattached to a small pole on the Cablevision property. Also, we received a complaint from a citizen that commercial trucks are parking in the area overnight, then “switched out” for cars that park all day.

Discussion:

The stop sign is “just a work order for public works.” The parking pattern noted appears to be legal parking behavior in a manufacturing zone district.

Action: Dan will put a work order in to have the stop sign re-placed correctly.

Old White Plains Road and Grand Street

Issues: Per a complaint, excessive traffic at this intersection is creating unsafe conditions. In particular, when trucks are coming “down the hill,” they don’t always stop, and they take the left onto Grand Street, which is dangerous. Another issue is with the crossing guard, who must cover that corner and another one. And the double yellow lines on the street do not line up. The stop sign on Grand Street is right at the corner.

Discussion:

There was a wide-ranging discussion of this intersection, which is a very challenging place due to historic traffic patterns, trucks, schools, pedestrians going to the Leatherstocking Trail, and others.

Action:

This is an area our traffic engineer has looked at for pedestrian safety. When Dan receives a copy of the report, he’ll make sure the Traffic Board sees it and has a chance to comment on it.

Old Business

Old Business Spreadsheet

There is a link, on the Traffic Board agenda that is posted every month, to a spreadsheet with all “old business” issues, which will be updated regularly.

Union Avenue

Issue: A continuing discussion of ways to calm traffic on Union Ave. Residents of Union Ave. have brought complaints of traffic going too fast, the lack of stop signs on the street, and pedestrian safety at the intersection of Union and Tompkins. Also, the effects of the Tompkins Ave. Bridge closure on local traffic.

Discussion:

Leilani proposed some solutions, including putting the traffic speed sign on Union. Another suggestion is a crosswalk at Ward.

Union Ave. residents noted that Union is the only Halstead/BPR through-route that does not have a stop sign on it. Discussion centered on Ward Ave. as a potential location for a stop sign. Discussion around the Union/Tompkins intersection looked at the proposed sidewalk solutions and why the Village chose one of them; how cars do not respect the painted lines meant to keep traffic in the center of the road.

Action:

The Traffic Board would like the traffic consultant look at the several different issues and look at potential solutions or interventions.

Dan will ask our engineer to monitor how well the current crosswalk solution at Union and Tompkins is working, and if there are additional steps to take.

Prioritization of Old Business and Traffic Board Budget

The Traffic Board discussed how to manage the large old business spreadsheet. The next step for Traffic Board members to rank each item on the spreadsheet, which we can use to prioritize.

Discussion: Should the Traffic Board have a budget? Different perspectives were discussed.

Action: Ryan will ask the Traffic Board to prioritize items on the spreadsheet.

Mamaroneck Avenue parking

Issue: Cars are parking all day along Mamaroneck Avenue between Hoyt and Grand Streets, in metered spots, which makes it difficult for customers of local businesses to park and use those businesses.

Action:

Ryan made a motion to explore the installation of parking meters on Mamaroneck Avenue between Hoyt and Grand, on both sides of the street. David seconded. All voted in favor.

Richbell Road

Issue: A number of issues on Richbell were brought up by a resident. Including the location of signage.

Action: Dan invited the resident to meet; Ryan invited the resident to fill out the traffic complaint form.

Knollwood Road

Issue: A continuing discussion of the speed, safety, and visibility issues at Knollwood and Crown Court.

Action: The Board is waiting for the study on the traffic humps on Grand St to conclude, to evaluate how to apply those findings to other streets.

Rich made a motion to accept the minutes from the January meeting. Ryan seconded. All voted in favor.

Ryan made a motion to adjourn at 8:50 pm. David seconded. All in favor.