

**VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK
BOARD OF TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017**

PRESENT: Chairman, Abby Roberts, Brian Kerr, Myron Tannenbaum,
Lucia Tatavitto, Shannon Purdy, David Salko
Nora Lucas, Trustee Liaison to Traffic Commission
ABSENT: Joe Mazzullo, Ed Zagajeski

Chairman Abby Roberts called to order the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

New Business

1. Shannon, Lucia, and Nora intro

Ms. Roberts welcomed the new board members to the Traffic Commission.

She asked that all members introduce themselves, and indicate what their interest is in coming on the Board, and what they hope to get out of being on the Board.

- Myron Tannenbaum stated that he is a forty-year resident of the Village and has an interest in all traffic matters. He also has been a member of the Traffic Commission for many years and formerly served as Chairman.

- Shannon Purdy said she has lived in Mamaroneck for a couple of years and previously lived in Rockland County. She works for the U.S. Department of Transportation. Her new role will be a learning mode. She remarked that Mamaroneck is a walkable community which is great.

- Abby Roberts said that she her interests are in having a sidewalk installed in her neighborhood as a safety measure on Old Boston Post Road, Village infrastructure, and Village beautification.

- Brian Kerr stated that he is a student at Pace Law School, and has grown up in Mamaroneck, and that he wants to give back to the Village.

- David Salko said that he moved from Larchmont to Mamaroneck seven years ago and has an interest in serving and helping resolve traffic issues within the Village.

- Lucia Tatavitto said that she lives at The Regatta, Mamaroneck Avenue, and noted that there is much traffic and congestion in this area and would like to see it reduced and better managed. She said she is on The Regatta board.

- Nora Lucas said she was elected as a Village Trustee, and that she is the Traffic Commission Trustee Liaison. She will bring traffic concerns voiced by residents and board members back to the Trustees for review and consideration. She noted that there is a lack of enforcement within the Village. She will focus her attention on areas of concern put forth by the Commissioners and residents.

2. Discussion of Scope/Objectives of Traffic Commission

Mr. Kerr said for one, that communication could be better as the Traffic Board would like updates on matters that they voted on.

Mr. Tannenbaum said that there are parking meters needing repair, and signage that is faded. He noted that there is a parking meter committee, and that the Traffic Commission should be involved in any and all parking matters.

Mr. Kerr mentioned that meters may be under the direction of the Police Chief.

Ms. Purdy suggested looking at crash data over a period of years, dates of occurrence, time, location, pedestrian injuries, speed, etc. She said there should be crash reports available.

Ms. Tatavitto discussed a left-hand turn from Mamaroneck Avenue onto Hillside Avenue. Mr. Tannenbaum said this was just discussed at a recent meeting. She noted that near the train station and making a left turn into Hoyt Avenue, that the arrow is not working.

Trustee Lucas stated that two traffic studies were completed recently and will look into getting a copy.

Ms. Roberts said that putting lights on the Bridge near the train station has been one of the Commission's initiatives. This was left with Mayor Rosenblum for implementation. Mr. Tannenbaum said that Dan Sarnoff has all that information.

Trustee Lucas remarked that traffic congestion and taxes are two major complaints made by residents.

3. Process to ensure recommendations are clearly communicated going forward

Trustee Lucas mentioned that the Village Comprehensive Plan is being updated which will take approximately one year. One update will include more bike paths. She mentioned that at their meetings presently the Trustees 'accept' the minutes, and don't always approve, or even read them which impacts getting updates on matters voted on by the Traffic Commission.

Old Business

4. Update on Fenimore, Tompkins Avenue, Beach Avenue and Old Boston Post Road issues from Village Manager (if possible)

Mr. Kerr mentioned that the hedges were removed at Beach and Tompkins Avenues which has improved visibility.

Trustee Lucas discussed the new LED street lights. Mr. Tannenbaum said they are more like spot lights rather than flood lights. The new street lights are not bright enough. He said the fixtures should be powered by solar cells at key intersections. Put on January agenda.

Other

- Ms. Roberts said that she would like to keep the meetings to 30 to 60 minutes. She asked that Board member's comments be kept to a minute or so. Ms. Tatavitto asked if the meeting could start earlier than 7:30 p.m. Ms. Roberts said that she commutes to the City and that an earlier start time would not work for her.

- Ms. Tatavitto asked about getting the agenda. Ms. Roberts said that Elena DeCunzo, Village office, e-mails the agenda a few days before the meeting, and that extra agendas should be available at the meeting.

- Trustee Lucas asked that the Traffic Commissioners work on a list of recommendations.

- Mr. Salko addressed public comments and said it should be noted that there was no one in the audience this evening.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Minutes

Draft November Minutes

On motion of Mr. Tannenbaum, seconded by Mr. Kerr, the November Minutes were approved. Motion passed with three (3) abstentions (Salko, Tatavitto, Purdy).

Adjournment

On motion of Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Purdy, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Motion passed.

PREPARED BY:
Anne Hohlweck

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:
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Clerk-Treasurer