



MINUTES
TRAFFIC REVIEW COMMITTEE
June 24, 2013, 1:30 p.m.
City Manager's Conference Room

The regular meeting of the Traffic Review Committee of the City of Beloit, WI was held on June 24, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room. G. Boysen called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

1. Roll Call.

Members present: (Voting) D. Walsh, R. Cole, M. Flesch, C. Fryar, D. Risse, D. Stauffacher.

Members absent: (Voting) J. Dowd.

Non-voting members present: G. Boysen, D. Luebke.

Staff: C. Gill, J. Dupuis.

Public: J. Marotz, C. Selle, S. Schroeder.

G. Boysen was introduced as the public works director. The new Police representative will be Dan Molland.

2. Approval of the minutes from the March 25, 2013 Traffic Review Committee meeting.

Minutes of the March 25, 2013 meeting were approved on a motion by M. Flesch, second by C. Fryar. Motion carried.

3. Public Participation.

None.

4. Ordinance to amend Section 13-02 of the Code of General Ordinances for the City of Beloit related to parking on near side of highways adjacent to schools-Merrill.

J. Dupuis gave the staff report. Staff recommendation is to make the necessary changes to Section 13-02 of the Code of General Ordinances to accommodate the new location for the bus pick –up/drop-off and changes to parking on the near side of highways adjacent to schools at the Merrill School site. A motion was made by D. Stauffacher, second by D. Walsh, to approve staff recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Ordinance to amend Section 13-02 of the Code of General Ordinances for the City of Beloit related to parking on near side of highways adjacent to schools-Robinson.

J. Dupuis gave the staff report. Staff recommendation is to make the necessary changes to Section 13-02 of the Code of General Ordinances to accommodate the new location for the bus pick –up/drop-off and changes to parking on the near side of highways adjacent to schools at the Robinson School site. A motion was made by D. Stauffacher, second by M. Flesch, to approve staff recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Ordinance to amend Section 13-02 of the Code of General Ordinances for the City of Beloit related to parking on near side of highways adjacent to schools-Converse.

J. Dupuis gave the staff report. Staff recommendation is to make the necessary changes to Section 13-02 of the Code of General Ordinances to accommodate the new location for the bus pick –up/drop-off and changes to parking on the near side of highways adjacent to schools at the Converse School site. C. Fryar made a motion, second by D. Walsh, to approve staff recommendation. Motion passed.

7. Ordinance to remove loading zone on Poff Street and Townline Avenue.

J. Dupuis gave the staff report. Staff recommendation is to remove the loading zone locations on the south side of Poff Street and the west side of Townline Avenue adjacent to Converse School. D. Stauffacher made a motion, second by M. Flesch, to approve staff recommendation. Motion passed.

8. Discussion regarding trucks on Royce Avenue (traveling to/from City).

J. Dupuis gave the staff report. Staff is not sure the time of day or week this happens. M. Flesch said not a lot of relief is available. Ms. Oldenburg was invited to attend the meeting, however, she did not. This area flares up every couple of years. C. Fryar suggested a large sign be put up in the

Avid shipping department. It is a challenge because the area goes from township to city. Avid had put in a new driveway to Cranston Road to avoid this problem. M. Flesch said he hates to see more signs put up. Staff has already made an effort to have City personnel contact Avid and remind them of the designated truck routes and preferred entrance/exit along Cranston. Ms. Oldenburg has requested the 1800 block of Royce to be posted as a "No-Truck" Route. If the 1800 block is posted, at least five adjacent blocks would need to be posted as "No-Trucks" also to prevent the problem from moving to a different local street. J. Dupuis will keep in touch with Ms. Oldenburg.

9. Discussion regarding speed and traffic along Cranston Road near Turtle Creek subdivision.

J. Dupuis gave the staff report. Guard rails are used to "deflect" vehicles back to the roadway and are useful up to a certain degree of impact. Because of the angle of the curve to the NW, I don't believe that the guardrail is an appropriate measure here. As a City we need to make sure that we are installing these types of devices in the correct locations to limit our liability. J. Dupuis would recommend installing deflectors along the top of the curb to better define the curve.

10. Committee Member Participation

J. Dupuis mentioned that there would be a meeting next month due to all of the school changes. D. Walsh asked about the speed board by Robinson School. D. Risse responded that the board is directly wired to the power pole and is 'permanent'. D. Walsh asked about adding the speed board to 8th Street between Shirland and West Grand. R. Cole asked about the corner of Liberty and Madison and mentioned the tough angles for vehicles when they pull out. C. Fryar asked about crosswalks along STH 81. J. Dupuis responded that a consultant has been hired for upgrading the Milwaukee Road corridor and crosswalk improvements will be part of the design. Discussion related to the Casey's gas station at the corner of Shopiere and Cranston. Completed next year, brick exterior.

11. The next meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2013.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 22, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room.

12. Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn was made by M. Flesch, second by C. Fryar, at 2:35.

Minutes by Colleen Gill.