

VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK
REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER 13, 2010

PRESENT: Myron Tannenbaum, Chairman
Joseph Mazzullo
Ed Parisen
Carlo Reca
Frank Spedafino
Rod Brendolan, Fire Department Liaison
Harry Hazelwood, Board Liaison

ABSENT: John Barney

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Tannenbaum called to order the Regular Meeting at 7:40 p.m.
He welcomed Marianne Ybarra.

Old Business

1. Clarification of posted No Left Turn sign on Bishop at Mamaroneck Avenue. Mr. Brendolan to visit and report findings.

Mr. Brendolan went to the location on October 12 for one hour and reported that one car made a left-hand turn from Mamaroneck Avenue. He noted that there were only a few vehicles in the area at the time of his visit. Officer Mike Spano does not give summons as the sign is unclear to him. Mr. Brendolan said that this is in the Code on page 25. Mr. Hazelwood said that the sign arrows will be taken down and replaced with a 'words' sign for No Left Turn on Bishop.

2. Laura Joy Circle – signs do not match Code; bushes are overgrown. Mr. Brendolan to visit and report findings.

Mr. Brendolan provided a handout. Upon review, he recommended no stopping on the right side (northeast side) from Harrison Ave. to the Cul de Sac. Left side (southwest side) no stopping to Harrison Ave. With parking on both sides, trucks and large vehicles cannot get through, he said. The shrubs are overgrown and wide that extend onto the roadway. It was noted that the owner removed the corner shrubs. However, the size of the shrubs is still problematic. It is recommended that the code enforcement officer visit the property owner.

- ** **MR. BRENDOLAN MOVED TO APPROVE A NO STOPPING SIGN ON THE NORTH SIDE OF LAURA JOY CIRCLE FROM HARRISON AVE. TO THE CUL DE SAC.**
- ** **MR. RECA SECONDED.**
- ** **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Also,

- ** **MR. RECA MOVED TO APPROVE A NO STOPPING SIGN ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF LAURA JOY CIRCLE FROM HARRISON AVE. TO A POINT OF TWENTY FEET WEST THEREOF.**
- ** **MR. SPEDAFINO SECONDED.**
- ** **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

And, to rescind the old law as follows:

- ** **MR. PARISEN MOVED TO APPROVE RESCINDING THE OLD LAW OF NO STOPPING ON BOTH SIDES OF LAURA JOY CIRCLE FROM HARRISON AVE. TO A POINT TWENTY FEET WEST THEREOF.**
- ** **MR. MAZZULLO SECONDED.**
- ** **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

New Business

1. Requests from residents near Florence Park (see attached e-mail from Village Manager)

A number of residents appeared to discuss gangs of kids hanging out at the park who are loud and disruptive. Mr. Birmley, of 1103 Park St., appeared and said that the kids are destroying the quality of his life. Dr. Tannenbaum said that the kids will only go to a different location and that this location is temporary and a passing phase. Mr. Spedafino agreed. Mr. Reca stated that enforcement is necessary to reduce the number of kids congregating there. The resident suggested a no idling sign, and he also recommended that the street be changed to one way going in on Halstead and heading south. Dr. Tannenbaum said he is reluctant to change street directions. He said that it can interfere with a GPS system in that changing a street to a one-way can cause a motorist to drive in the wrong direction, as the GPS system did not pick up the change. Mr. Brimley went on to say that there is much traffic on English Place and there is no parking heading west. Dr. Tannenbaum said that the residents need to get together on this and call the police when there is too much activity. A resident suggested speed bumps. Mr. Hazelwood explained that they are not allowed and covered the many reasons.

Mrs. Pinto, a resident of 325 Frank Avenue, said that the sign at the entrance to the park on Florence Street is too high and should be lowered. It is about nine feet high. Mr. Hazelwood said signs should be at seven feet and will see that this is taken care of. Discussion followed regarding re-painting the cross walk at the park entrance. It was agreed not to at the time.

Mr. Meier, of 356 Florence, said that there is speeding on Florence and asked for suggestions. He also said that teachers are vying for parking spots and it adds to the traffic.

Mrs. Porim, of 315 Florence, said that there is a blind spot that begins at the parking lot by Daniel Warren School. There are five houses on the S curve. The twenty MPH speed sign is not

working, she said. The sign is too high. It is about nine feet high and not easily seen. Mr. Hazelwood said that sometimes signs are placed higher if there has been vandalism.

Dr. Tannenbaum said in summary, 1.) enforcement is necessary; 2.) no, to a one-way street; 3.) to advise if enforcement is not working. Mr. Mazzullo said that when there are a lot of signs put up, they tend to be ignored.

Ms. Styler, of 215 Park Avenue, said that some of the cars going into the park are destroying it. Dr. Tannenbaum said that complaints are important, and the police react to them. Therefore, they should be notified.

Mrs. Pinto brought up the lights on Barry Avenue and the volume of traffic. Dr. Tannenbaum said that this matter is already being addressed.

2. 953 Boston Post Road – Enforcement of “No-Parking – Here to Driveway” located on the left side of the Apartment house driveway that serves 953 Boston Post Road – complaint from resident.

This is a resident’s parking lot. This apartment house is opposite the high school. Motorists are parking on the driveway. The Board said that enforcement is necessary. Also, a complaint was made that in the summertime, when school is out, the light on the Boston Post Road is not functioning properly, and the sensor is changed. Dr. Tannenbaum said the light works, that there is no change, and will discuss this with the complainant.

3. Parking of Gas Station vehicles in front of Vincent’s Motel – complaint from Dr. Mustich.

During the evening and overnight, cars are parked on the road in front of the Motel, and then brought back onto the gas station property in the morning. Discussion followed on the legality of this. Dr. Tannenbaum said that gas station owner is entitled to park in front of the Motel. It was determined that this is a state road. Dr. Tannenbaum said he is reluctant to take away spots. The board agreed to take away one of the four spots.

**** MR. BRENDOLAN MOVED TO APPROVE NO STOPPING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF EAST BOSTON POST ROAD, ROUTE 1, FROM HORN RIDGE ROAD TO A POINT 20 FEET WEST THEREOF.**

**** MOTION PASSED WITH FIVE (5) IN FAVOR (SPEDAFINO, TANNENBAUM, PARISEN, MAZZULLO, BRENDOLAN); ONE (1) OPPOSED (RECA).**

Mr. Reca noted that there is a bus pulling into the TD Bank parking lot to pick up students. The stop is actually on the Boston Post Road. Dr. Tannenbaum said he will look into, to determine whose bus this is.

Mr. Reca said also that parents of children at Daniel Warren are stopping illegally to drop off, and pick up. Enforcement is necessary. He added that these are our residents who are in violation. It was determined that the Principal needs to be apprised of this.

Mr. Hazelwood said that the new Police Chief was sworn in this evening and a reception followed.

4. Seney Avenue from Walton to Claflin – No parking areas – from Mayor

This matter pertains to overnight parking on Seney, and it was noted that there is no parking anytime from Rushmore to Walton. The Board agreed that a site visit is necessary to get a broader picture. The findings will be discussed at the next meeting.

MINUTES

1. Draft September Minutes

- ** MR. RECA MOVED TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER MINUTES.
- ** MR. MAZZULLO SECONDED.
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT

- ** MR. BRENDOLAN MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.
- ** MR. SPEDAFINO SECONDED.
- ** MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

PREPARED BY:
Anne Hohlweck

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:
Agostino A. Fusco
Clerk-Treasurer