

**DRAFT**  
**VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK**  
**BOARD OF TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS**  
**THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2014**

**PRESENT:** Tom Porretto, Chairman; Joe Mazzullo,  
Jack Yannuzzi, Marianne Ybarra  
Rod Brendolan, Fire Department Liaison  
Joseph Gaglione, Police Department Liaison  
Andres Bermudez, Trustee

**ABSENT:** Ed Parisen, Mike Anello, Frank Spedafino

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Porretto called to order the Regular Meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Mr. Porretto welcomed back Joe Mazzullo to the Board.

**Old Business**

**1. Reconsider Knollwood Avenue/Soundview Avenue U-Turn - (Residents)**

Ms. Lori Friedli, resident, read aloud a letter that she asked the Board to give to the Mayor for consideration. She stated the U-turn was eliminated on Mamaroneck Avenue that will cause undue hardship for the residents on either side of Mamaroneck Avenue near Knollwood Avenue and Soundview Avenue. She was surprised to learn of this decision, and felt a proper notice was not given on this issue.

A large number of residents were present. She stated that there is at times a back up to make the U-turn but all it takes is a little patience.

Ms. Friedli said traffic will have to go into neighborhoods and also go up a steep incline. Raleigh Road will be accessed that has young children in that area. She stated that because of a few complaints this change should not have occurred.

Ms. Ann Malavet said she learned of the change in the *Mamaroneck Review*.

Trustee Bermudez noted the signs are down but that is weather related. He said this has been put into the Code and if changed, it will have to be taken out of the Code.

Mr. Porretto said this will be placed on the Board of Trustees Agenda and suggested that they attend that meeting. Their Agenda is posted on the Village's website.

## **New Business**

### **1. Evelyn Court Parking - (Resident)**

No action taken. Mr. Porretto stated the building management should provide parking.

### **2. Crosswalk across Mt. Pleasant/Mamaroneck Avenue Section – (TRC engineers)**

Mr. Porretto said the Traffic Commissioners were asked to weigh in on the proposed crosswalk on Mt. Pleasant Avenue at Stanley Avenue. He said a traffic study is being conducted within the Village by TRC Engineers. A final recommendation will be submitted to Westchester County by the Village Manager.

Police Officer Gaglione stated there is always a lot of traffic in the proposed area and a crosswalk will be unsafe.

Mr. Porretto asked for a vote. Three members were in favor, two were opposed and one abstained.

### **3. 515 Halstead Avenue – (Resident)**

Michael Cotter, DDS appeared and stated six years ago he bought this house for his dental practice. He requires access to parking for his staff and patients. There is an issue with driveway visibility that is blocked by the barber who has his business next to Dr. Cotter's building. Dr. Cotter stated he has tried to resolve this issue with the barber but has been unsuccessful.

Dr. Cotter requested that lines be painted in the street so that parking spaces are clearly defined. He noted there also is no handicap spot. Mr. Porretto explained that once a handicap spot is available someone will likely park in the spot all day. The spot will not necessarily benefit his practice.

Mr. Mazzullo stated that if the driveway is blocked by the barber's vehicle, then a summons can be issued.

Ms. Ybarra suggested he contact the owner of the building, John Spinelli. Mr. Porretto said he will go the site. Mr. Brendolan said he will do the measurements for the line painting.

Dr. Cotter also mentioned that there is a lot of garbage thrown on his lawn and in the general area. He stated he personally cleans up his property in the morning. Mr. Porretto said the DPW needs to be contacted regarding garbage.

Trustee Bermudez said he will follow up and gave Dr. Cotter his contact information.

## **Old Business**

Mr. Porretto stated the sign is up on Tompkins Avenue and the lines will be painted when the temperature warms up.

Mr. Porretto said a resident requested a handicap space in front of 518 North Carroll Avenue. It was voted on and passed. However, it was later found that there is a driveway at this address but is covered with grass. The Village is looking into if this is a legal driveway, and if so, they will remove the handicap space. The parking problem will then be looked into. The Village Manager's office was notified.

## **Other**

The EMS requested that lines be painted in front of their headquarters at 220 North Barry Avenue. The Board discussed and agreed to the request. Painting will be done when the temperature warms up.

The Board discussed lowering the speed limit to 25 MPH on the Mamaroneck Avenue corridor. The Board members agreed that 30 MPH is too fast in certain sections of the roadway. Trustee Bermudez said he will monitor and report back.

Mr. Yannuzzi addressed the Metro North Bridge. Trustee Bermudez said an Agreement was approved.

Mr. Brendolan and Mr. Porretto discussed the Club Car parking lot. It was noted that a red van has been parked there for approximately 4 days in a spot without a meter. Officer Gaglione stated the van belongs to Club Car, and the MTA has jurisdiction over the parking lot.

Trustee Bermudez addressed truck traffic on Lawn Terrace. Mr. Porretto said when he went to the location he did not see truck traffic. He suggested that the residents get on the Traffic Commission Agenda to discuss.

## **Minutes**

1. Draft January Minutes

On motion of Ms. Ybarra, seconded by Mr. Yannuzzi, the Minutes of the January 9, 2014 meeting were approved as amended. Motion passed unanimously with two (2) abstentions (Brendolan, Mazzullo).

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Ybarra moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Yannuzzi. Motion passed unanimously.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

PREPARED BY:  
Anne Hohlweck

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:  
Agostino A. Fusco  
Clerk-Treasurer