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VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK
BOARD OF TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS
THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015

PRESENT: Chairman Jack Yannuzzi, John Figliomeni,
Myron Tannenbaum, Ed Zagajeski, Frank Spedafino
Rod Brendolan, Fire Department Liaison
P.O. Deshensky, Police Department Liaison
David Finch, Trustee

ABSENT: Ed Parisen, Joe Mazzullo

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Yannuzzi called to order the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting with Village Manager

Mr. Yannuzzi met with the Village Manager and discussed a sidewalk alongside the train station. The double yellow line may be able to be moved over that goes down to Mamaroneck Avenue. The sidewalk will allow commuters to get from one side of the tracks to the other side more easily. Trustee Finch said the Village Board could lobby Metro North or the State to put in the sidewalk. Trustee Finch said people with strollers, and the handicapped have difficulty exiting the station. The Board discussed at length.

For the record, the Traffic Commissioners* agreed that a sidewalk be put in alongside the train station, and the double yellow line be moved over to allow for this change.

*Mr. Zagajeski, MTA retiree, and currently a part-time employee, abstained from the discussion.

Mr. Yannuzzi discussed the 24/7 flashing lights on Palmer Avenue at Sarah Neumann with the Village Manager who said he will look into.

Mr. Yannuzzi spoke with the Village Manager regarding 933 Mamaroneck Avenue and the hazardous conditions when vehicles are parked in front of the office building. Mr. Tannenbaum said it is a County Road and a letter would have to be written by the Village Manager to the County. Mr. Yannuzzi said he will monitor this matter.

Old Business

Trustee Finch reported that on Fenimore Road at Palmer Avenue, the sign was approved. At Fenimore Road and Hoyt Avenue, that sign was approved. The Orienta Avenue matter is being worked on and was approved this past Monday.

The Board discussed worn, faded signage within the Village that needs to be replaced. It was noted that Pablo Ruiz handles this work.

Mr. Yannuzzi said Club Car restaurant parking be put on the May Agenda.

New Business

1. 356 Florence Street, No Parking Sign.

Dismissed.

2. Andrew Street and Louise Avenue near I-95 – Stop Sign (Mr. Figliomeni)

The Board will visit the site before the May meeting. To be put on the May Agenda.

3. Florence Street from Park to Keeler Avenue

Previously addressed. No Action.

4. Carroll Avenue and Boston Post Road – No Left Turn (resident)

Ms. Elana Stone, parent and resident, appeared to discuss a no left turn onto Carroll Avenue from the Boston Post Road. The resident said it is difficult crossing the road at F. E. Bellows school during the morning and afternoon. She urged the Board to take action. Mr. Brendolan suggested crossing at a different section of the roadway where there is a crossing guard. The resident said she has a dog with her and cannot cross at that location. The Board members discussed at length and determined that there is not much left turning onto Carroll Avenue. Also, a letter should be sent home to the parents from the school. This topic could be addressed at a P.T.A. meeting. Mr. Tannenbaum said that since the Village has a traffic study in progress at another part of the Village that this location could be added to the study as there is a history here.

On motion of Mr. Brendolan, seconded by Mr. Figliomeni, a 'No Left Turn on School Days from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.' sign be installed on the Boston Post Road at Carroll Avenue. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Brendolan recommended that a police officer be on site initially when the sign is put up.

Other

Officer Deshensky suggested that smaller parking spaces be earmarked for motorcycle parking on Mamaroneck Avenue. Mr. Tannenbaum said it is an excellent suggestion, and it should be brought to the attention of the Village Manager. The Board discussed the parking fee. Consideration for a lower parking fee was discussed since the parking space will be smaller. Please place on May Agenda.

Officer Deshensky said the taxi stand is inconsistent in the Village Code. He said in a recent traffic court matter, the person ticketed appeared and pointed out inaccurate wording in the Code. His ticket was dismissed. This needs to be reviewed and the Code changed. Please place on May Agenda.

Mr. Tannenbaum suggested that a no left turn onto Hillside Avenue from Mamaroneck Avenue be put on the May Agenda.

Officer Deshensky discussed the street light at Palmer Avenue and Mamaroneck Avenue. He said at night it is difficult to see the light. Trustee Finch said this matter has been brought to the attention of the Board of Trustees and is being worked on.

Officer Deshensky addressed the signs and pavement markings at Mt. Pleasant Avenue and Halstead Avenue at the north end of Mamaroneck. He said the sign conflicts with the pavement markings. The pavement markings are correct, and the sign needs to be changed.

Rod Brendolan

Rod announced his retirement from the Traffic Commission earlier this year after serving for 35 years. He has been a tireless worker who has spent countless hours going to sites making observations, taking roadway measurements, and more, to present accurate information at meetings.

Mr. Tannenbaum said he has worked with Rod for decades and his commitment to tasks has been invaluable. Rod and Bill Paonessa are both Traffic Commission legends, and it has been an honor to work with a legend.

Mr. Yannuzzi said Rod has always shown concern for the betterment of the community.

Mr. Spedafino said Rod has shared many interesting stories about Mamaroneck going way back in time which has been enlightening and much appreciated.

Minutes

1. Draft March Minutes

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On motion of Mr. Brendolan, seconded by Mr. Figliomeni, the Minutes of March 12, 2015 were approved. Motion passed unanimously with one (1) abstention (Spedafino).

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

PREPARED BY:
Anne Hohlweck

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:
Agostino A. Fusco
Clerk-Treasurer