# VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK BOARD OF TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2017

PRESENT: Chairman Myron Tannenbaum, Brian Kerr, John Figliomeni

Ed Zagajeski, Abby Roberts, Joe Mazzullo Vincent Keck, Fire Department liaison

Officer Joseph Gaglione, Police Department liaison

Daniel Sarnoff, Assistant Village Manager

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

### **Old Business**

1. Elimination of the Loading Zone in the Spencer Parking Lot

Mr. Nicholas Manessis and his son, Sam, Arcadia Floral owners, appeared and stated that they have been at this location since 1998, and now have a second location in New Jersey. Mr. Nicholas Manessis stated that they have a specialized business where they cater large events. They have six trucks that are in and out of their Mamaroneck facility throughout the week and at all times. They have a loading zone space on the side of their building. There is a second loading zone space in the Spencer parking lot that they use which is directly behind their facility.

Mr. Tannenbaum stated that the Spencer parking lot space appears to be occupied by Arcadia much of the time. Mr. Manessis said that there are Sysco trucks using the space, and also trucks park in the space for lunch. Mr. Tannenbaum stated that the Spencer lot space should be freed up for other business deliveries.

Mr. Manessis said they house \$500,000 in inventory at their facility. They have to deliver goods to venues well before an event and are asked to take down decorations after events bringing them back to Mamaroneck at 3 a.m. sometimes. Venues need rooms cleared for their next day events.

Mr. Figliomeni mentioned that their trucks cannot sit or double park on Mamaroneck Avenue.

Mr. Manessis said that they cannot load and unload their trucks parked in spots far from their facility either.

It was agreed that no be action taken with the stipulation that the Spencer parking lot loading zone space be used for loading and unloading of their vehicles only.

#### 2. Intersection at Barry Avenue and Halstead Avenue

Village of Mamaroneck Board of Traffic Commissioners January 12, 2017 Page 1 of 4 Mr. Sarnoff said that he will look into a hardware upgrade for a pedestrian signal to cross at the intersection of Barry Avenue and Halstead Avenue. Put on February agenda.

### 3. Solid White Line Separating Traffic from Hornidge Road onto Boston Post Road

Officer Gaglione said that traffic is not affected at this location most of the time. Mr. Sarnoff said changing the roadway is a major capital improvement. No action taken.

### 4. Residential Parking Permit Program

Mr. Sarnoff stated that there will be a special meeting held for residents on R permits regarding those houses and streets that were left off the report.

Residents spoke about the proposed building within the Village. Builders must provide parking for their building tenants. The Avalon residents, they said, have parking in their building and should not be occupying street parking spaces.

Mr. Zagajeski reminded that day care workers, those coming to Mamaroneck for business and medical appointments, those visiting families and friends in the Village, etc., need to be able to park, and for some, for extended periods of time. This needs to be addressed.

### **New Business**

### 1. Highview Street – One Side Parking

Highview Street residents, Adelina Clarke and Richard Leimgruber appeared and stated that parking should not have been eliminated on one side of the roadway. Mr. Sarnoff stated that the Assistant Village Planner took measurements and kept parking on the side of the street that allowed for more parking. The request to remove parking came from the Fire Department.

Ms. Clarke stated that her cars are parked in the road as it is inconvenient to move cars in and out of her driveway. She said she does not use her driveway. Bringing parking back on both sides of the street will be a convenience. She said she is at the end of Highview Street. Mr. Leimgruber and she noted that there is a section of Highview Street that can accommodate parking on both sides and will not interfere with Village fire trucks and emergency vehicles getting through.

Mr. Sarnoff displayed on the courtroom screen Highview Street where it widens and narrows.

Mr. Craig Casterella, Fire Chief, said that they could not get their truck through Highview Street during a recent fire. Safety is paramount for the residents of Mamaroneck. Safety comes before

Village of Mamaroneck Board of Traffic Commissioners January 12, 2017 Page 2 of 4 convenient parking. It was agreed that the fire trucks will go to Highview Street unannounced, and before the February meeting. Their findings will be reported at the February meeting. Both residents asked that they be notified when the trucks arrive. They gave their contact information to the Chief who said they will be called to come outside.

Mr. Tannenbaum noted that leaf and snow piles also are on the roadway during the year.

Mr. Keck said trucks are 8 ½ feet wide and 1 ½ extra feet on each side for hoses and apparatus.

Mr. Tannenbaum stated that no action will be taken for now until the fire trucks go back to the street. Based on the Fire Chief's findings, a decision will be made if a section of the roadway will be returned to parking on both sides. Put on February agenda.

### 2. Move Bus Stop to NW Corner of Maple and Stanley

Mr. Sarnoff stated that this matter has been taken care of.

# 3. Beach Avenue and Tompkins Avenue – 4-Way Stop Sign

Ms. Sharon Torres and Mr. Steve O'Rourke, residents, appeared and stated that there is much speeding in this area and more needs to be done. Resident, Louis Sherlain, who was present, was struck by a 'hit and run' driver and his dog also was struck and died from the injuries. They were on Tompkins Avenue crossing the roadway. The driver is still at large.

Ms. Torres noted that the lighting conditions are poor as there are no street lights. However, speeding occurs during the day as well. She suggested putting up cameras. Mr. Sarnoff said that cameras cannot be put up.

Ms. Torres noted that there is a tall hedge that needs to be trimmed at the group home on Beach and Tompkins Avenues.

Ms. Roberts asked if a traffic light can be put up. Mr. Sarnoff responded no.

Mr. Mazzullo stated that there are many bad drivers on the road, and it is an enforcement issue.

Ms. Torres and Mr. O'Rourke suggested speed bumps be installed to slow down traffic. They stated that municipalities nearby have put down speed bumps. Ms. Torres mentioned that Washington Street is a cut-through street.

Mr. Tannenbaum said the Board will review the area before the next meeting. Mr. Sarnoff said the Village Engineer will look at Washington Street and Grand Street. Public Works will review

signage. Code Enforcement will go to the areas that were discussed on Friday, January 13. Put on February agenda.

### **Other**

- Maria Duarte, resident and renter living at 789 Old White Plains Road, appeared and stated that she needs a residential parking permit as her parking situation has worsened. When she returns home at night she is unable to find parking nearby. She stated that commuters, people from The Avalon, etc. take street parking spaces. *Vasco* is leaving cars overnight on the street. She said her street was classified as a commercial street, but there are a number of private homes on Old White Plains Road.

Mr. Sarnoff said that parking enforcement is necessary, and a special meeting on parking will be set up to discuss the areas where there are parking problems, and the streets that are impacted.

- Mr. Sarnoff said correspondence was received from a resident asking to eliminate parking spaces on Grove Street that intersects with Wood Street, as there is visual obstruction on Wood Street. Officer Gaglione stated that there is not much traffic in this area, and mentioned that he lives in the area. It was decided that no action be taken.
- Mr. Keck requested a handicap parking spot in front of 155 Gertrude Street for a family member residing at this location. Mr. Tannenbaum said the Board will review before the February meeting. Put on February agenda.
- Ms. Roberts asked for a Board member to volunteer to prepare Action points for the February meeting. Mr. Kerr stated that he would. Ms. Hohlweck will send the January minutes to Mr. Kerr to prepare February Action points.

# **Minutes**

1. Draft December Minutes

On motion of Mr. Zagajeski, seconded by Mr. Keck, the December 8, 2016 minutes were approved. Motion passed.

#### Adjournment

On motion of Mr. Keck, seconded by Ms. Roberts, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. Motion passed.

PREPARED BY: RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Anne Hohlweck Agostino A. Fusco Clerk-Treasurer

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