VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK BOARD OF TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2017

 PRESENT: Chairman, Myron Tannenbaum, Brian Kerr, David Salko, Abby Roberts, Joe Mazzullo Vincent Keck, Fire Departmnt Liaison Officer Decunzo, Police Department Liaison Mayor Norman Rosenblum, Traffic Commission Liaison
ABSENT: Ed Zagajeski, John Figliomeni

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

Old Business

1. Fenimore Road & Prospect Avenue intersection, parking

Katherine and Jim Desmond appeared for a follow up on the traffic matter at this intersection. Mr. Desmond said it is a wide street with fast moving traffic.

Mr. Tannenbaum stated that he spoke with Dan Sarnoff regarding LED lights, a crosswalk and a bump out area. The traffic engineer will look over the area, and for a bump out. Mr. Sarnoff will present those findings to the Board of Trustees (BOT) at their work session.

Mrs. Desmond said the residents are stressed out over this. There also is yelling and hostile behavior as a result.

Mr. Mazzullo said that LED lights work well in Harrison at busy intersections. Lighted signs at this intersection will be effective and will slow down traffic.

Mr. Keck mentioned that the Traffic Board has done all it can and are in agreement that something needs to be done at this intersection. There also are other problematic intersections within the Village.

Ms. Roberts stated that there are no representatives coming to the Traffic Commission meetings from our Village office or Board, month after month. She said, except for police, representatives are not fulfilling their obligation to the Village residents.

Village of Mamaroneck Board of Traffic Commissioners October 12, 2017 Page 1 of 5 Mrs. Desmond asked about the Traffic Study. Mr. Tannenbaum said it is in Draft form, and not available to the public at this time.

Mr. Tannenbaum recommended that they speak to Dan Sarnoff. Also, he suggested that they attend a BOT meeting and speak at the Public Comments portion.

She expressed disappointment that the Traffic Commission could not finalize a resolution.

2. Cortlandt Avenue – Switch back parking to the north side

Mrs. Nikita Majic-Rembic appeared to discuss updates on street parking. Mr. Tannenbaum said the parking currently is on the south side closest to the water.

Mayor Rosenblum joined the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Mrs. Majic-Rembic said in August parking was switched back from the north side to the south side without any notice. She stated that she went before the Traffic Commission for this change when Mr. Porretto was chairman. She discussed some issues that the elderly residents have in walking to the building and that it is necessary to return parking to the north side. She suggested that parking spaces be removed. The plans for her apartment building included a sidewalk and the Village should pay for it.

Mayor Rosenblum said that is not correct. He suggested that she speak with the residents and her condo board members and get pricing for a sidewalk. Mr. Tannenbaum said the south side parking was the original plan. He said both sides work for parking.

Mr. Tannenbaum said the Board will take another look at the street. Put on November agenda.

- Mayor Rosenblum stated that it could cost \$1,000,000 for a sidewalk and she will find out in her research on prices. He said it is not the Village's responsibility to provide a sidewalk when a new building is put up.

3. Carpenter Place Traffic, Safety including Rockland and Fulton Avenues

Mr. Tannenbaum said that the high school is at the end of the block. The kids are walking down the middle of the road. He mentioned that no kid has been hit on Carpenter Place. This has been on-going. Mr. Mazzullo said this matter was discussed at their November 2016 meeting. No action taken.

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New Business

1. 975 Louise Avenue – Handicap Parking Spot

Mr. Figliomeni asked for a handicap parking spot at his relative's home who recently underwent a hip replacement and needs parking in front.

Mayor Rosenblum said, even if approved, there is no guarantee that the spot will always be available for his use. He mentioned that at the time of death of a resident who requested a handicap space that it can be removed by the Village.

Mr. Keck said the house is behind the Shell station.

Mr. Kerr said the address is actually Louise Avenue not Louise Street and that it intersects with Andrew Street. The Board will confirm whether it is street or avenue at the November meeting.

The Board discussed and agreed that the resident having had a triple hip replacement surgery satisfies the request for a handicap parking space.

On motion of Mr. Keck, seconded by Mr. Kerr, a handicap parking space to be put in front of 975 Louise Avenue and a handicap sign installed. Motion passed.

2. Old Post Road – Sidewalk Installation

Ms. Roberts revisited installing a sidewalk on Old Boston Post Road due to dangerous walking conditions, which was previously recommended by the Traffic Commission.

Mr. Tannenbaum said that this is a short cut that is used from the beach clubs. One side has incomplete sidewalks. Dan Sarnoff had stated that they did not get special funding for sidewalks.

Mr. Tannenbaum said reducing the width of the road is an option. Curbing material discussed at an earlier meeting will help.

Ms. Roberts said a sidewalk is needed for safety as it is a dangerous area. She said the Safe Walk to Schools committee is aware of the dangerous situation here, along with the Village. Mr. Tannenbaum said there is a lot of linear feet here to put down a sidewalk.

Mayor Rosenblum said there are no funds available for this major project which could cost over \$1,000,000. Ms. Roberts said it is important to invest in our infrastructure.

Ms. Roberts requested that the following statement be added to the Minutes "Mayor Rosenblum said there is zero money to invest in infrastructure in the Village."

Village of Mamaroneck Board of Traffic Commissioners October 12, 2017 Page 3 of 5 Mayor Rosenblum said sewers need relining, and other improvements are necessary within the Village. A solar sign will be effective in slowing down traffic. He mentioned that there are not enough police officers to patrol every place. Many sites within the Village cry out for control. He noted that recently the speed limit in front of the high school was reduced to 20 M.P.H.

Ms. Roberts queried if Fairway Green condos could help. Mr. Salko suggested fencing be installed, and to add curbing near Fairway Green. He also suggested cutting back the bushes at Fairway Green that will add surface.

Mr. Tannenbaum said they will look at it again. He also will speak with Dan Sarnoff. Put on November agenda.

3. Removal of Parking – Back of Equinox

Ms. Roberts revisited the removal of parking behind Equinox.

This matter was previously discussed and dismissed. At the last meeting, Officer Gaglione stated that there were five parking spots and now there are four.

Mr. Keck restated that the parking lot is separate from the business. The fire department needs access on all sides. He said the Fire Inspector can write tickets, and Chief Leahy also has issued summons. Increased enforcement is necessary. No action taken.

Other

- Mr. Mazzullo discussed the need for a triangular sign with solar lights on the top of the MTA bridge in the north and south directions. The sign lights should flash continuously since the Bridge is hit frequently by oversized trucks. He said solar lights work well in Harrison.

Mayor Rosenblum asked of Ms. Hohlweck to send this information to him for a BOT agenda item to be discussed at their October meeting.

- Leaving Mamaroneck Harbor – replace Bridge on Route 1 Mayor Rosenblum stated that it is a State road and the State has to be involved.

- Exiting Harbor Island – right turn. Mr. Salko discussed this turn. Initially it was determined that when turning right out of the Harbor Island park, the right turn lane would allow for a right hand turn only, and the left turn lane for turning left and also for going straight. Upon further discussions, it was decided that the right turn lane would be for turning right and to drive straight out. The left turn lane would be for making a left turn only to reduce traffic backing up. The Board agreed.

Village of Mamaroneck Board of Traffic Commissioners October 12, 2017 Page 4 of 5 On motion of Mr. Keck, seconded by Mr. Mazzullo, when exiting Harbor Island, the left turn lane is for a left turn only, and the right turn lane is for a right turn and driving straight out. Motion passed.

- No parking on the Post Road on Sundays from Orienta. Mr. Salko discussed. Parking meters were suggested for this spot. Mayor Rosenblum stated that the Village is in the midst of upgrading parking meters, and the latest upgrade is for multi-space meters.

Minutes

1. Draft September Minutes

Adjournment

On motion of Mr. Keck, seconded by Mr. Mazzullo, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Motion passed.

PREPARED BY: Anne Hohlweck RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: Agostino A. Fusco Clerk-Treasurer

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