

**VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK
BOARD OF TRAFFIC COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2018**

PRESENT: Acting Chairman Shannon Purdy, Brian Kerr, Joe Mazzullo,
David Salko, Myron Tannenbaum, Ed Zagajeski
Vincent Keck, Fire Department Liaison – 7:45 p.m.
P.O. Patrick Nadolske, Police Department Liaison

ABSENT: Abby Roberts

Ms. Purdy said that Chairman Roberts will not be in attendance this evening.

Acting Chairman Shannon Purdy called to order the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Old Business

1. Beach and Tompkins Lights
2. Westchester Jewish Center – Install Mirror
3. First Baptist Church – Handicap Parking

Mr. Tannenbaum commented that even though Mr. Sarnoff is not present, Old Business items should be addressed. Upon further discussion, it was agreed to carry forward the Agenda items until Mr. Sarnoff is available to give an update as he and/or the Village Engineer were to do a site visit on items 2 and 3.

On motion of Mr. Salko, seconded by Mr. Zagajeski, Old Business agenda items 1-3 tabled and put on October 24 agenda. Motion passed with one (1) opposed (Tannenbaum)

Put on October 24 agenda.

New Business

- 1. Traffic Light – Intersection of Halstead and Ward Avenues**
- 2. Halstead Avenue Traffic**

1. Traffic light – Intersection of Halstead and Ward Avenues

Mr. Karell wrote to the Village that across from the station at this intersection, the Ward Avenue light stays on for approximately one minute and motorists on Halstead Avenue sit idle waiting for the light to change. Traffic is busier on Halstead Avenue and the timing should be adjusted for the Ward Avenue traffic light.

The Board discussed further. It was noted that the Village owns this traffic light, and that the Board of Trustees should have the traffic light timing reviewed.

On motion of Mr. Salko, seconded by Mr. Zagajski, the Traffic Commission recommended that the Board of Trustees have the traffic light timing reviewed at Halstead and Ward Avenues across from the station. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Halstead Avenue Traffic

Mr. Karell noted in his correspondence that there are many double-parked vans and cars making deliveries on Halstead Avenue. He also stated that there is a lot of bike traffic. He suggested discouraging bike riding on Halstead Avenue and to put up signage that would read ‘Bike Traffic Detoured to Jefferson Avenue’.

Ms. Purdy responded to Mr. Karell that bike traffic cannot be re-routed but by educating all roadway users, speed enforcement, right-of-way traffic laws, and outreach, that this situation can be improved.

3. Waverly & Ogden Avenue

A resident contacted the Village regarding the intersection of Waverly and Ogden Avenues recommending that a traffic light be put up as it is a dangerous corner to turn out of, especially when motorists park close to the corner. Mr. Keck mentioned that this is an industrial area and there are mostly trucks in this area. He said a traffic light is not justified. The Board members agreed. No action taken.

4. Fenimore Road Crosswalk

A resident wrote to the Village office commenting that the new crosswalk was designed on an angle rather than completely straight. The writer remarked that a pedestrian crossing at the crosswalk cannot be seen if large vehicles are in the area. Upon further discussion, it was agreed that no action be taken.

5. No Parking – Grove Street

A resident wrote to the Police Chief regarding a hazardous condition on Grove Street where a vehicle was parked just past the driveway of 1021 Grove Street. There is no signage indicating that it is a 'no parking' area. This causes vehicles to use the oncoming lane of traffic to pass the parked vehicle. A request was made for a 'No Parking Anytime' sign to be put up in front of the driveway on 1021 Grove Street to the corner of Hampshire Road.

Mr. Keck said that previously this property had one house and driveway on Grove Street and was re-developed recently. Now there are three houses and three driveways. The Board agreed that signage should be put up, and to add arrows facing 1021 Grove Street, and in the direction of Hampshire Road. Officer Nadolske agreed that signage and arrows are necessary.

On motion of Mr. Mazzullo, seconded by Mr. Tannenbaum, a "No Parking Anytime" sign be installed from the corner of Hampshire Road to the driveway at 1021 Grove Street, and to add arrows facing 1021 Grove Street, and in the direction of Hampshire Road. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Prospect Lofts

Mr. Natchez, President of Daniel S. Natchez and Associates, stated that this matter is before the Planning Board. This Application is for a five story, 18-unit development on the former Honda Bob site. The garage entrance is at the corner of Prospect Avenue and Phillips Park Road. All deliveries are to be managed inside the garage. Mr. Natchez said that large delivery trucks going into the garage is not the best plan. The pedestrian entrance is in the wrong place. He said that parking is a concern.

Mr. Natchez suggested that the Traffic Commission look at the site and give comments and recommendations to the Planning Board before their approval. Mr. Natchez said that no action should be taken until the Traffic Commission weighs in.

The Traffic Commissioners agreed that they should be involved, and should have the opportunity to prepare comments to the Planning Board.

On motion of Mr. Tannenbaum, seconded by Mr. Kerr, the Traffic Commission requested that they be given this Application to review that is before the Planning Board, and all future Applications of this nature, to review and prepare comments and recommendations before the Planning Board approves. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Salko mentioned that off-street parking is not the Traffic Commission's responsibility.

Ms. Penny Chumley, resident, stated that she resides across the street from the proposed development. Traffic and parking are already problematic.

Mr. Martin Hain, resident, remarked that motorists roll through the stop sign. Also, lighting in this area is not the best, and he expects garbage pickup to be an issue. Mr. Hain said he is not in favor of the development.

Ms. Sandy Warren, resident, said she walks in this area frequently and there is much traffic.

Put on October 24 agenda.

7. Traffic Input – New Fast Food Law

Ms. Purdy said that the Mayor and Trustees are considering a new fast food law that will permit fast food franchises along the Boston Post Road, Halstead Avenue, Mamaroneck Avenue and in all Village commercial districts. There is no defined parking plan.

Mr. Mazzullo remarked that going into a fast-food business quickly to get one's take-out order could cause a double-parking situation.

It was agreed that the Traffic Commission does not have enough information and that Chairman Roberts and the Board of Trustees should discuss first. Put on October 24 agenda.

Other

- Ms. Purdy stated that on Friday, October 5, the walking safety assessment will take place along Halstead Avenue between North Barry Avenue and West Street. Ed Zagajeski, David Salko, Abby Roberts, Traffic Consultant, Mayor Murphy, Westchester County Department of Transportation representative, and others, will be participating in the walk.

Some conditions that will be noted will be bike riding on sidewalks, helmet wearers, wheelchairs being able to get off sidewalks with ease, and ability to cross the roadway before the light changes.

Ms. Purdy said she is grateful to those who signed up to walk. After the walk, a report will be prepared.

- Fire Council letter – Mr. Keck presented a letter from the Fire Council who requested the removal of one parking space at 271 Washington Street as the fire truck cannot make the turn.

Discussion followed. Mr. Salko suggested that this letter be given to the Board of Trustees for their consideration.

On motion of Mr. Salko, seconded by Mr. Zagajeski, the Board agreed to give the Fire Council letter to the Board of Trustees for their consideration to remove one parking space at 271 Washington Street. Motion passed unanimously.

- Ms. Purdy discussed new dates for upcoming Traffic meetings.
It was agreed that Wednesday, October 24 will be the next meeting.

Discussion followed on availability going forward. The Board agreed to resume meeting on the second Thursday of the month beginning in November.

- Next Traffic meeting – Wednesday, October 24.

Minutes

1. Draft August Minutes

On motion of Mr. Zagajeski, seconded by Mr. Tannenbaum, the August 2018 minutes were approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

On motion of Mr. Zagajeski, seconded by Mr. Mazzullo, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

PREPARED BY:
Anne Hohlweck

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:
Agostino A. Fusco
Clerk-Treasurer