

ROCKFORD TRAFFIC COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD

Wednesday, May 8, 2013, 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. Fred Lierman at 6:02 PM.

Members Present

Mr. Fred Lierman, Chairman
Mr. George Zawislak, Vice Chairman
Mr. Dock Ward
Mr. Leland Carlson
Mr. Gregg Wilson, Transportation, School District 205
Mr. Gary McIntyre, Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning
Mr. Mark Marinaro, Rockford Fire Department
Officer William Jacobson, Rockford Police Department
Mr. Todd Cagnoni, Community Development Department
Mr. Jeremy Carter, Public Works Department

Members Absent

Mr. Vince McLean, Rockford Mass Transit District

Also Present

Mr. Michael Bimmerle, 5413 Forest View, 61108
Mr. Bobby Bimmerle, 5413 Forest View, 61108

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on April 10, 2013, were approved as submitted.

The Traffic Commission recommended the following items:

1. Request in the 6th Ward from City staff to establish speed limits at the following locations:
 - a. 40 mph Speed Limit on 20th Street from Sandy Hollow Road to 275 feet north of Fruitland Drive.
 - b. 20 mph School Speed Limit on 20th Street from 275 feet north of Fruitland Drive to 435 feet south of Fruitland Drive.
 - c. 40 mph Speed Limit on 20th Street from 435 feet south of Fruitland Drive to southern City Limits.

(J. Carter stated that this was another cleaning up the ordinance book issue and these speed limits signs had been in place for many years from when this area was outside of the City. Commission discussed that 40 mph speed limit was same as township speed limit in the area. and PD did not have any issue with continuing to allow the terrace parking. Commission recommended establishing speed limits. Motion by G. Zawislak, seconded by L. Carlson. Voted 9-0)

The Traffic Commission recommended taking “No Action” on the following items:

1. Request in the 9th Ward from Kelly Pack-Smith, 1807 Brunner Street, 61103, to establish traffic control at the intersection of Grace Street and Bruner Street. (Commission discussed the low volume of traffic and lack of accident history. Commission recommended No Action. Motion by G. McIntyre, seconded by D. Ward. Voted 9-0).

Other items:

1. Resolution to allow slow moving vehicles on Elm Street between Church Street and Winnebago – Informational Only (J. Carter explained that Winnebago County had requested a resolution to allow them to use a golf cart to transfer files between the Winnebago County Courthouse and the Juvenile Courthouse. J. Carter explained that due to need for this quickly the resolution had already gone through Council and this was informational only.)

The Traffic Commission elected the officers for the 2013 – 2014 Rockford Traffic Commission and nominated the following:

1. Chairman Nominee – George Zawislak
(Motion by D. Ward, seconded by L. Carlson. Vote 6-0).
2. Vice Chairman Nominee – Fred Lierman
(Motion by D. Ward, seconded by L. Carlson. Vote 6-0).

The meeting adjourned at 6:18 PM. Motion by G. Zawislak, seconded by J. Carter

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held:

June 12, 2013 6:00 PM.

Rockford City Hall
425 East State Street
2nd floor, Conference Room A

Respectfully submitted,
Jeremy Carter
Recording Secretary