

ROCKFORD TRAFFIC COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD

Wednesday, September 12, 2018, 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. Dock Ward at 6:03 PM.

Members Present

Mr. Dock Ward, Chairman
Mr. Fred Lierman, Vice Chairman
Mr. Don Bissell
Mr. Todd Fagen
Alderman Tuffy Quinonez, 11th Ward
Mr. Mike Slife, Transportation, School District 205
Mr. Cedrick Ketton, Rockford Mass Transit District
Sgt. David Nicosia, Rockford Police Department
Mike Rotolo, Rockford Fire Department
Mr. Scott Capovilla, Community Development Department
Mr. Jeremy Carter, Public Works Department

Members Absent

Mr. Michael Smith

Also Present

Ms. Mary Beaver, 923 23rd Avenue, 61104
Mr. Mike Pekarsky, 222 Sanctuary Pl, 61072
Mr. Donal Wright, 4614 Sequoia Cir, 61108
Mrs. Kerry Lin, Public Works Department

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on August 8, 2018 were approved as submitted.

The Traffic Commission recommended the following items:

1. Request in the 2nd Ward, from Kathryn Heitzman, to establish all-way stop at the intersection of 18th Street and 10th Avenue, thus repealing the existing 2-way stop at the intersection of 18th Street and 10th Avenue. (Commission discussed that there is a sight line issue for west bound traffic. Commission discussed there was low traffic volumes and no accidents but the sight lines warranted an all-way stop. Commission recommended establishing all-way stop at the intersection of 18th Street and 10th Avenue, thus repealing the existing 2-way stop at the intersection of 18th Street and 10th Avenue. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by D. Bissell, Voted 10-0)

2. Request in the 6th Ward, from Michael Pehl of Hampton Properties, to establish stop control of Hampton Ridge Drive stopping for Lund Avenue. (Commission discussed that this was a “T” intersection with no traffic control. Commission stated that the intersection to the east was stop controlled. Commission recommended establishing stop control of Hampton Ridge Drive stopping for Lund Avenue. Motion by J. Carter, seconded by T. Quinonez, Voted 10-0)
3. Request in the 9th Ward, by Rockford Police Department, to establish a parking restriction of “No Parking Any Time” on the south side of Halsted Road from Sablewood Drive to 75 feet west of Sablewood Drive. (Mr. Pekarsky spoke in concern for the requested restriction impacting the parking of this building’s tenants. Commission explained the limits of the restriction and the reason being to clear sight lines. Mr. Pekarsky stated he was fine with the proposed limits. Commission recommended establishing a parking restriction of “No Parking Any Time” on the south side of Halsted Road from Sablewood Drive to 75 feet west of Sablewood Drive. Motion by D. Bissell, seconded by F. Lierman, Voted 10-0)

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

1. Request the 12th Ward, from Derek Ohlson, to establish traffic control at the intersection of N Church Street and Deborah Avenue. (Commission discussed that the intersection appears to have good sight lines, low traffic volume, and a low history of accidents. Commission recommended taking “No Action”. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by D. Nicosia, Voted 10-0)

The Traffic Commission laid over the following item:

1. Request in the 11th Ward, from Mary Beaver, to establish all-way stop at the intersection of 6th Street and 23rd Avenue, thus repealing the existing one-way stop at the intersection of 6th Street and 23rd Avenue. (Item laid over from the August Traffic Commission meeting)(T. Fagen discussed he will prepare a traffic study for this intersection. Commission laid item over at the request of Mary Beaver and J. L. Clark to gather more information.)

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 PM. Motion by S. Capovilla, seconded by J. Carter

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held:

October 10, 2018 6:00 PM.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Jeremy A. Carter, P.E.
Recording Secretary