

**MINUTES OF TRAFFIC & SAFETY  
COMMISSION**

**FEBRUARY 12, 2019**

**2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR COMMITTEE OF WHOLE ROOM IN  
VILLAGE HALL  
20 S. ARDMORE AVE, VILLA PARK  
ILLINOIS**

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Chairman J. Pienkos called the meeting to order at 8:08 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Chairman J. Pienkos, Jack Cuthbertson, Kevin Meeker, Carl Timmerman, Karen Timmerman, Marie Geishecker, Ed McMurray

**ABSENT:** Pamela Hoehl

**EX-OFFICIO PRESENT:** Vassili Voskresenski, Sgt. Jim Cihak **EX-OFFICIO ABSENT:** None

**VILLAGE BOARD LIAISON PRESENT:** Robert Wagner

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**COMMISSION SECRETARY PRESENT:** Amy Raffel

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**1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS**

*None*

**2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

*Jennifer Speaker of 739 W. Vermont talked to the commission regarding her concerns about the lack of plowing on Vermont west of Lincoln. Jennifer explained that plow trucks from Public Works rarely plow the cul-de-sac. Jennifer would like clarification regarding how that area gets plowed by Public Works.*

**3. APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2019**

*A motion was made by Commissioner C. Timmerman to approve minutes from the January 8, 2019 meeting; second by Commissioner K. Timmerman. Acclamation vote was taken with all ayes.*

**4. OLD BUSINESS**

**# 856 TRAFFIC ON EUCLID FROM ROOSEVELT TO RIORDAN**

*Chairman Pienkos stated that this item is still pending. Commissioner Meeker asked if the speed humps would be returning in the spring. Commissioner C. Timmerman said that he has had a few conversations with residents in that area and it seems that only one person cares about the speed humps being installed on Euclid. Trustee Wagner replied to that statement explaining that he has spoken to several residents in the area and they have been pleased with the installation of the speed humps. Chairman Pienkos explained that at this point, they should be reinstalled in the*

*spring and that he is still not in favor of the speed humps. Chairman Pienkos said that Traffic and Safety is continuing to watch and see what develops with the Thorntons property. Chairman Pienkos commented that the lot had been seeded. Ex-Officio Voskresenski explained that seeding the lot was done to stabilize the soil.*

**# 865 TRAFFIC ON RIVERSIDE FROM WASHINGTON TO MADISON**

*Chairman Pienkos stated that this item is still pending as well.*

**# 866 TRAFFIC ON VERMONT FROM SECOND TO THIRD**

*Chairman Pienkos stated that this item is still pending as well. Chairman Pienkos asked Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak if the Police Department is still patrolling the area. Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak explained that to his knowledge, not as much as before.*

**# 867 TRAFFIC ON PLYMOUTH FROM ARDMORE TO ADDISON**

*Chairman Pienkos explained this item is still pending as well. Chairman Cuthbertson informed Chairman Pienkos that 14 tickets issued in this area were given to residents from the neighborhood.*

**# 868 PARKING ON PINE FROM SUMMIT TO VILLA**

*Chairman Pienkos stated that this item was brought to our attention by Chief Lay. Chairman Pienkos explained that it is a unique situation due to the fact that it is one of a handful of streets that parking is allowed on both sides of the street. Ex-Officio Voskresenski explained that Pine is wide enough to allow parking on both sides of the street. Ex-Officio Voskresenski explained that the south side has no parking restrictions and the north side only has the restrictions of NO PARKING 7 a.m. – 9 a.m. M-F. Chairman Pienkos said that the complaint is about the commuters parking on Pine to avoid paying the fee at the Metra lot. Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak said he drove by earlier that day and saw maybe 10 cars. Commissioner Geishecker also drove by the area earlier that day and only saw 3 cars within the area. Commissioner Meeker stated that he counted 41 houses on that block. Commissioner Cuthbertson stated that the residents should think of family functions and that cars would not be able to park on the street and find alternative parking if a ban is put into place. Commissioner McMurray said that he has friends on that street and it is a hike to the train station. Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak stated that he was not sure if it is one resident bring this issue up or a collection of residents. Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak explained that if something comes from the Chief, the issue should be investigated. Commissioner McMurray stated that he would speak again with a few residents in the area to get a general idea of the situation. Chairman Pienkos stated he did not see the advantage for people parking in that area to avoid the fees at the Metra lot. Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak stated that the Metra lot does fill up and can see that the people parking closer to the Summit side on Pine could be the culprits. Commissioner Geishecker said that when she drove by she noticed that most of the cars parked on Pine were real close to Summit. Chairman Pienkos said that he thought Maple had the same issue and an ordinance was passed to alleviate the issue. Commissioner K. Timmerman said that she believes the ordinance banned parking on both sides of the street. Ex-Officio Voskresenski confirmed that there is no parking on both sides of Maple. Chairman Pienkos said that we should do some more investigation regarding this item and keep #868 pending.*

**5. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION AND EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS**

*Commissioner Geishecker – None*

*Commissioner Meeker – None*

*Commissioner McMurray – With spring coming, runners and bicyclist will be on the trails again. Has there been any talk about the Illinois Prairie Path crossing on Monterey?*

*Commissioner C. Timmerman – None*

*Commissioner K. Timmerman – None*

*Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak - None*

*Trustee Wagner – There has been talk of the parking situation in the Villa Business District mainly by Pioneer Garden and Feed. An email was sent to the manager regarding the current situation. As we approach spring that will be their busiest time and would like to make sure their patrons can find adequate parking.*

*Ex-Officio Voskresenski – None*

*Chairman Pienkos – None*

*Commissioner Cuthbertson - None*

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner K. Timmerman and seconded by Commissioner Geishecker. Acclamation vote was taken with all ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.*

The next meeting will be held on **TUESDAY, March 12 at 8:00 P.M.** in the Committee of the Whole conference room of the Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Raffel