

**MINUTES OF TRAFFIC & SAFETY
COMMISSION
MAY 14, 2019**

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

Chairman Pienkos called the meeting to order at 8:14 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman J. Pienkos, Jack Cuthbertson, Carl Timmerman, Karen Timmerman, Marie Geishecker, Pamela Hoehl, Kevin Meeker

ABSENT: Ed McMurray

EX-OFFICIO PRESENT: Kevin Mantels, Sgt. Jim Cihak **EX-OFFICIO ABSENT:** None

VILLAGE BOARD LIAISON PRESENT: Robert Wagner

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COMMISSION SECRETARY PRESENT: Amy Raffel

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS

Tom Norwick of 209 W Plymouth St came to Traffic and Safety to check on developments regarding traffic on Plymouth. Tom noticed that the traffic counters were down and wanted to know what the next steps would be.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF APRIL 9, 2019

A motion was made by Commissioner Geishecker to approve minutes from the April 9, 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 asked the commission if any anyone had new information. Chairman Pienkos stated that after looking at the reports that were handed out last meeting, he felt traffic is under control in that area. Commissioner K. Timmerman asked if discussions have taken place to further Thornton's development. Chairman Pienkos said that he has heard of nothing but asked if the speed humps were placed. Ex-Officio Mantels said that the speed humps have not been installed at this time. Chairman Pienkos said it looks like Thorntons might be doing something due to the lot is cleared out. Ex-Officio Mantels said that Oakbrook Terrace and Thornton's still cannot agree on a few items. Chairman Pienkos stated that this could be a few years down the

road if anything does develop. Commissioner K. Timmerman said if that is the case, why should we still keep pending this item? Commissioner C. Timmerman said that we should wait till after summer because traffic increases. Ex-Officio Mantels pointed out that this issue was on the list before IDOT reconstructed Roosevelt and the traffic control they installed should limit the amount of cars on Euclid. Commissioner Meeker said that the traffic cannot turn left so that will detour most traffic in that area. Commissioner Hoehl recommended closing this item. Chairman Pienkos asked for a motion.

Commissioner Hoehl motioned to close # 865 Traffic on Euclid from Roosevelt to Riordan. Commissioner Meeker second the motion. Acclamation vote was taken: 6 ayes and 1 nay. Motion passed, #856 Traffic on Euclid from Roosevelt to Riordan closed.

865 TRAFFIC ON RIVERSIDE FROM WASHINGTON TO MADISON

Commission Secretary Raffel stated that she is still waiting on speed counts from the Police Department. Commissioner C. Timmerman asked if we had heard from the resident. Chairman Pienkos stated no and said we should still pend until speed counts are available.

866 TRAFFIC ON VERMONT FROM SECOND TO THIRD

Chairman Pienkos stated that this issue is just like #865; still pending until traffic counts come in from the Police Department. Commissioner Cuthbertson asked if we have heard from the resident. Chairman Pienkos said no and pended this item.

867 TRAFFIC ON PLYMOUTH FROM ARDMORE TO ADDISON

Chairman Pienkos asked if everyone has a map and speed counts for Plymouth. Chairman Pienkos stated that the speed counts showed to be reasonable. Chairman Pienkos asked how long the speed counters were up. Ex-Officio Mantels answered almost 2 weeks, from April 7- April 20. Commissioner Cuthbertson said both side speed counts look almost the same, just 1 or 2 drivers speeding on Plymouth. Ex-Officio Mantels calculated that 90% of the drivers have been traveling under 30 mph. Tom Norwick noted that westbound had a registered speed of 40 mph. Chairman Pienkos stated that was at the high end of the spectrum. Tom Norwick asked Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak if this is still worth patrolling. Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak stated that when the police were patrolling the area, only 1 ticket was handed out along with a few warnings. Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak also stated that if they have the manpower, he will try to continue to monitor Plymouth. Tom Norwick commented that during the summertime, the street seem a bit busier and would appreciate the extra patrol on Plymouth. Chairman asked the commission if this item should be closed.

Commissioner C. Timmerman made the motion to close item #867 Traffic on Plymouth from Second to Third. Commissioner Geishecker second the motion. Acclamation vote was taken with all ayes. Motion passed, #856 Traffic on Plymouth from Ardmore to Addison closed.

#869 CONSIDERATION FOR TRAFFIC SAFETY STUDY REGULATIONS

Chairman Pienkos asked if everyone read the Traffic Study. Trustee Wagner commented on the complexity and depth of this report. Trustee Wagner asked what the cost of a study would be to Villa Park. Ex-Officio Mantels stated that the cost depends on the development. Ex-Officio

Mantels stated the old resolution had Villa Park paying for traffic studies but the new resolution passes the cost onto the developer. Trustee Wagner asked if Villa Park would require each developer to complete a traffic study. Ex-Officio Mantels explained that if the same business resides at the same property and there was never a traffic issue then no Villa Park would not require a traffic study. Chairman Pienkos said he would like a better definition of peak periods due to morning and evening commutes starting earlier and ending later. Ex-Officio Mantels stated that Villa Park has a clause explaining with a given situation Villa Park can adjust the guidelines. Chairman Pienkos asked if there was a motion for consideration to send to item #869 to the Village Board.

Motion for consideration made by Commissioner K. Timmerman. Second by Commissioner Hoehl. Acclamation vote taken with all ayes. Motion passed item #869 Consideration for Traffic Safety Study Regulations to the Village Board.

5. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION AND EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Ex-Officio Mantels – Someone raised an issue with lack of signage at Jackson and Addison; cross traffic has the stop signs and issue has been addressed.

Ex-Officio Sgt. Cihak – None

Commissioner Geishecker explained that a woman approached her regarding the bushes at St. Charles and Cornell. Stated that the bushes are overgrown hard to see cross traffic. She wanted to know if someone from Public Works could take a look at this concern. Also, the Prairie Path and Great Western crossing areas may need to be restriped.

Commissioner Hoehl - None

Commissioner K. Timmerman – None

Trustee Wagner reminded everyone about the Spring Sweep on Saturday, May 18 starting at 9 a.m...

Commissioner Meeker - None

Commissioner C. Timmerman - None

Commissioner Cuthbertson - None

Chairman Pienkos - None

6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner C. Timmerman and seconded by Commissioner Hoehl. Acclamation vote was taken with all ayes. The meeting was adjourned at

8:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on **TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2019 at 8:00 P.M.** in the Committee of the Whole conference room of the Village Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Raffel