

# MT. LEBANON TRAFFIC BOARD

Meeting Date: February 1, 2012

Members Present: Ms. Brown, Ms. Meub, Mr. Adams, Mr. Ashbaugh

Staff Present: Lt. McMurtrie, Mr. Droznek, Ms. Kostelich

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Mr. Adams opened the meeting. Roll call was taken. Mr. Petulla, Mr. DiGioia & Mr. Byrne were absent.

## Agenda Item 1 – Administrative Discussion

### Agenda Item 2 - Minutes of January 4, 2012 Traffic Board Meeting

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the January 4, 2012 Traffic Board meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

### Agenda Item 3 - Opening Remarks from the Chair

No additional remarks were made.

### Agenda Item 4 - Follow up items.

There were no follow up items.

### Agenda Item 5 – Request to Adjust Timing During Off-Peak Times on Traffic Signal at Intersection of Washington Road and Jefferson Drive

At the January 4, 2012 meeting Mr. Petulla stated that the signal on Jefferson Drive at the intersection with Washington Road had significant delays during off peak hours. Mr. Droznek from Trans Associates did investigate this complaint and determined the signal is set so there is no more than a 2 ½ minute wait at the red signal on Jefferson Drive and the signal is working properly. He stated that the delays could possibly be the result of an emergency vehicle using the preemptor device on Washington Road causing side streets to wait through two cycles. No further action was taken on this item.

### Agenda Item 6 – Request for Stop Signs at Crosswalk on Vallevista Avenue

There was no one present to discuss the request for stop signs or speed humps at the crosswalk on Vallevista Drive. Mr. Droznek presented speed and volume data collected by the police department. Average speeds on the roadway are within 2-3 mph of the posted speed limit. Average daily volume on the roadway is approximately 200 vehicles. Mr. Ashbaugh stated that he lives in the area and walks in this area at least twice and did not feel the traffic volume was high. Mr. Droznek suggested making the crossing more visible with Pedestrian crossing signs or re-painting the crosswalk. No further action was taken on this item.

### Agenda Item 7 – Request for No Left Turn Sign on Castle Shannon at Driveway to Southminster Presbyterian Church

Lt. McMurtrie stated that the Crossing Guard at the intersection of Castle Shannon Blvd. and Washington Road requested a “No Left Turn” sign on Castle Shannon Blvd. at the driveway to Southminster Church. This driveway is used by parents dropping off preschool children at the church entrance. The problem is created by parents making the left turn from Castle Shannon Blvd. into the driveway during morning peak hours. Typically vehicles are backed up at the red signal on Castle Shannon Blvd. blocking the entrance to the driveway. The vehicle intending to make the left into the driveway is forced to wait on Castle Shannon Blvd. causing all traffic on Washington Road intending to turn onto Castle Shannon Blvd. to back up on Washington Road causing vehicles to be stuck in the Washington Road crosswalks, making it dangerous for the guards to cross the children. Lt. McMurtrie stated that emails were sent to the parents asking them to not make the left hand turn in the mornings, but the problem still continues. Mr. Droznek conducted a study of this intersection and recommends the installation of two “No Left Turn” signs on Castle Shannon Blvd. He stated that Castle Shannon is a state road and may need PennDot approval. Mr. Droznek will contact PennDot. A motion was made to approve the installation of a No Left Turn sign

on Castle Shannon Blvd. at the driveway entrance to Southminster Church pending PennDot approval. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 8 – Items from the Floor

Mr. Adams stated that there is a significant delay at the light at the intersection of Beverly Road and Overlook Drive especially in the mornings and asked that the timing be checked on this light. Item will be place on the March 2012 agenda.

Additional Items:

There were no additional items. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30PM.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2012

cc: All attendees  
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T. Kelley  
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