

# MT. LEBANON TRAFFIC BOARD

Meeting Date: May 2, 2012

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

Staff Present: Lt. McMurtrie, Ms. Jampole, Ms. Kostelich

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Mr. DiGioia opened the meeting. Roll call was taken. Mr. Byrne was absent

## Agenda Item 1 – Administrative Discussion

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

Motion was made to approve the minutes from the April 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.

- Request for Sign Changes near Hoover School

Ms. Jampole stated that there are currently 70 signs on Robb Hollow and feels that some are no longer needed. She suggested considering consolidating these signs. Ms Jampole recommended the Installation of a No Left Turns sign on the northbound side of Robb Hollow Road to prohibit left turns in the driveway of Hoover School. Ms. Csont of Juvenile Protection Committee requested that the sign be posted as “Between 8am and 9am and 3pm and 4pm” during the busy drop off and pick up times. She stated that the driveway is used during the day for people attending meetings or parents having to pick up children. Ms. Jampole recommended an all day prohibition. Board members agreed. She also recommended using some type of barrier at the end of the driveway such as a chain during the drop off and pick up times. Ms. Csont stated that would require additional manpower and is afraid it wouldn't be maintained on a daily basis. Ms. Jampole also recommended painting the curb on the west side of Robb Hollow Road just north of the driveway. She recommended adding a Go Zone area on the west side of Robb Hollow Road, north of the handicap space. Ms. Karen Morris of the Hoover PTA requested this area be left as is because parents use this area to wait and watch their children walk up to the school and they can park there at the end of the day. Regarding speeding on Larchdale Drive Ms. Jampole recommended adding a 25mph speed limit sign west of Firwood. She suggested moving parking to the other side would not make much of a difference. Ms. Clarissa Yu of the Hoover PTA requested that an additional stop sign be installed on Larchdale at Arrowood. Ms. Jampole stated there was not enough distance between Arrowood and Robb Hollow to warrant a second stop sign and it may cause confusion and suggested that would cause people to not stop at the stop sign at Robb Hollow. Ms. Csont requested time to discuss these recommendations with Ms. Schnirel, principal of Hoover School and the board agreed to table the discussion until the June meeting

- Request for Stop Sign on Osage at Valleyview

Ms. Jampole stated that a sight distance study was conducted in this area and found it to be acceptable based on PennDot criteria for a posted 26mph speed zone. Ms. Jampole requested the Police Department conduct a speed study and based on that information she will make her recommendation at the June meeting. Lt. McMurtrie stated he will contact Code Enforcement to request they look at the area to see if the hedges are causing a sight distance issue. No further action was taken on this item.

## Agenda Item 5 – Discussion on No Turn on Red signs at intersections on Beverly Road

Mr. Jim McKay from AECOM was present to discuss the study being conducted on the traffic signals along Beverly Road. He requested input from the board on the inconsistencies of the No Turn on Red signs along this corridor. Board members agreed that all the intersections should be posted No Turn on Red, 7:00AM to 6:00PM Monday-Friday. Ralston will remain the same since it is a one way intersection. Mr. Adams asked if the timing on the light at Overlook will be changed. Mr. McKay stated that there currently is not a sensor on this light and this light is included in the study. Changes should take place sometime between September 2012 and the spring of 2013. No further action was taken.

Agenda Item 6 – Request for Traffic Study on Jefferson Drive at intersection with Hazel

A resident was present to discuss safety concerns at the intersection of Jefferson Drive and Hemlock. The resident believes cars travel too fast and a stop sign would improve conditions. A traffic officer will place a speed sentry in the area to collect speed/volume data and Ms. Jampole will conduct studies in the area. Ms. Jampole will follow up at the June meeting.

Agenda Item 7 – Request to remove Except Right Turns sign at Stop Sign on Tampa at Sunset

Daniel Craft, 355 Sunset stated that since the Except Right Turns sign was added to the Stop Sign on Tampa at Sunset it has made it difficult for vehicles on Sunset to exit driveways. Craig Craft, 344 Sunset also stated that vehicles stack up on Sunset waiting for the light and it is dangerous for vehicles to make that turn without stopping first. He requested that the sign be replace. A motion was made to remove the "Except Right Turn" sign on the stop sign on Tampa at Sunset. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 8 – Request for Traffic Signal at Intersection of Old Gilkeson Road and Gilkeson Road

There was no one present to discuss this item. No further action was taken.

Agenda Item 9 – Request for Handicap Parking at 300 Castle Shannon Blvd.

Ms. Gloria Horn, 300 Castle Shannon Blvd. stated that most of her customers are elderly and other customers are dropping off heavy machines at her business. She stated that a vehicle parks daily in front of her business making it difficult for customers to be dropped off or to drop off machines. She requested a loading zone sign in front of her store. Board members requested Ms. Jampole look at this area to see if the yellow painted curb is required and to determine if a loading zone is feasible. Ms. Jampole will report her findings at the June meeting.

Agenda Item 10 - Items from the Floor

Additional Items:

There were not further items. Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2012

cc: All attendees  
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