

MT. LEBANON TRAFFIC BOARD

Meeting Date: November 5, 2014

Members Present: Ms. Brown, Mr. Gerhardt, Mr. Setcavage, Mr. Adams, Mr. Cooley, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Frenie

Staff Present: Lt. Fisher, Mr. Haberman, Ms. Kostelich

Mr. Adams opened the meeting.

Agenda Item 1 – Roll call was taken. All were present. Commissioner LinFante was also in attendance.

Agenda Item 2 - Minutes of the October 1, 2014 Traffic Board Meeting.

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2014 meeting. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 3 - Opening Remarks from the Chair

Agenda Item 4: Follow up Items:

- a. Request for Crosswalk and Pedestrian Crossing Signal at the Intersection of Cedar Blvd. and Greenhurst/Morgan Drives

Mr. Haberman stated that, since the October meeting he found that the Municipality had received funds from a Grant for the installation of the ADA ramps at this intersection and the ramps had been installed since the last Traffic Board meeting. Since the ramps have been installed he recommended painting the crosswalk on Morgan Drive at the intersection of Cedar Blvd. and also install signs advising drivers to yield to pedestrian in both directions. Commissioner Linfante requested that the recommendation include re-painting both of the crosswalks on Cedar Blvd also. A motion was made to install a crosswalk on Morgan Drive at Cedar Blvd and install signage advising motorists to yield to pedestrians, and also repaint the existing crosswalk on Cedar Blvd. at Morgan Drive/Greenhurst Drive; and also explore other options such as grants and capital improvement to update the traffic signals at this intersection. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

- b. Request for Stop Signs at the Intersection of Valleyview at Couch Farm, Couch Farm at Elm Spring and Larchmont at Osage

Mr. Frenie requested that stop signs be installed at the intersections of Valleyview at Couch Farm, Couch Farm at Elm Spring and Larchmont at Osage. Mr. Haberman stated that Couch Farm at Elm Spring currently has a yield sign and the other intersections are uncontrolled. Gateway Engineers conducted a field study of these intersections and due to these being uncontrolled intersections he recommended stop signs be installed on Larchmont Road at Osage Road and on Elm Spring Road at Valleyview Road. He also recommended that the yield sign on Couch Farm at Valleyview be replaced with a stop sign due to heavy vegetation and the curvature of the roadway while approaching this intersection. A motion was made to recommend approval of the installation of stops signs on Elm Spring at Valleyview and Larchmont at Osage and replace the yield sign with a stop sign on Couch Farm at Elm Spring. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

- c. Commission approved the request to limit left turns from Jefferson Elementary School Driveway onto Ruth during Drop Off and Pick Up hours (0730-0900 and 1500-1600)

Mr. Haberman stated that the Commission approved this recommendation and he would be meeting with Mr. Sukal from Public Works on placement of the signs. Ms. Linfante stated that they received only one complaint regarding this recommendation in regards to traffic being redirected down Ruth Street to Moffett Street.

- d. Commission approved the request for Stop Signs at the Intersections of Altoona Place and Serpentine Drive and Altoona Place and Serrano Avenue

Mr. Haberman stated that the Stop Signs were installed and Public Works was waiting for the additional advisory signs. Lt. Fisher stated that one resident near the intersection asked why they were not advised that the stop signs would be installed so close to his property.

- a. Commission approved the installation of a Stop Sign on Sandrae at Robb Hollow

Mr. Haberman stated that Commissioners approved the installation of the stop sign on Sandrae and the sign was installed.

- e. Commission approved moving forward on further studies under the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program for N. Meadowcroft Ave and Sleepy Hollow Rd

Agenda Item 5: Request for Stop Sign at the Intersection of Parker Dr., McCann Pl and Neulon Ave.

Lt. Fisher stated that he received a request for stop signs at this intersection. He stated that there are numerous accidents at this intersection especially this time of year due the roadway surface and leaves on the roadway. Mr. Haberman stated that this is an uncontrolled and awkwardly configured intersection. Board members agreed that this is a difficult intersection. A motion was made to recommend the installation of three (3) stop signs at this intersection, controlling the traffic on the minor streets where they intersect with Parker, two on the Neulon side and one at McCann. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 7: Neighborhood Traffic Management

Discussion and Planning of Neighborhood Meeting for Neighborhood Traffic Management for N. Meadowcroft Ave. and Sleepy Hollow Rd

Mr. Haberman stated that the Commission approved further study of traffic management under the Neighbor Hood Traffic Management Program. Commissioners requested that meetings be held with the Ward Commissioners and the residents in order to develop a study area to include the primary street studies and any nearby streets that may be impacted by any changes. A preliminary scope of work and project cost will be determined for final recommendation from the board.

Mr. Haberman stated he will contact the Ward Commissioners and finalize a date for the meetings.

Agenda Item 9: Items from the floor

- Lt. Fisher stated that the in road lights at the mid-block crosswalk on Washington Road should be installed mid-November. He also stated there is a similar mid-block crosswalk on Mt. Lebanon Blvd. He has received requests for similar signage and lights at this crosswalk. PennDot is currently planning on repaving Mt. Lebanon Blvd. and the Municipality is working with them to keep and update this crosswalk. Ms. Linfante stated this is a heavily used crosswalk for children walking to school.
- Mr. Dave Tucci, 257 Sleepy Hollow Road spoke regarding increasing enforcement especially at stop signs.
- Mr. Gerherdt spoke regarding the turning arrow on Bower Hill at Carleton. He stated that a previous request was denied. He asked why that changed. Lt. Fisher explained it was part of the PennDot sync up project on Bower Hill Road.

There were no additional items. Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

Next meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2014

cc: All attendees
S. Feller
T. Kelley