

## MT. LEBANON TRAFFIC BOARD

Meeting Date: October 5, 2016  
Members Present: Mr. Clark, Mr. Setcavage, Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. Frenie  
Staff Present: Lt. Rayburg, Mr. Haberman, Ms. Kostelich

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Mr. Fitzgerald opened the meeting.

Agenda Item 1: Roll Call. Mr. Neft, Ms. Brown and Mr. Cooley were absent.

Agenda Item 2: Meeting Notes from September 7, 2016

Motion was made to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 3: Opening Remarks from the Chair

Municipal Manager McGill presented to the Board a memo that was sent to Commissioners regarding Traffic Board procedures. Mr. McGill recommended that the Board hold a discussion session prior to regular meetings along with basic training for new board members related to issues that frequently come to the board along with ride alongs with traffic officers. He also recommended amending the ordinance related to the Traffic Board that states the board will consist of one member from each ward and two at large members. He also presented the board with information regarding Traffic Engineering Consulting Fees and Cost Estimates from Gateway Engineers.

Mr. Frenie stated he would like to have more clarification on the boards scope of authority and would like to receive more feedback from the Commission on recommendations that were made by the board.

Mr. Fitzgerald requested that the Commission Liaison be present at meetings. He also asked about the budget items. Mr. McGill advised that the information presented was general information for the board and costs are not a board issue. Commissioner Fraasch spoke regarding the role of the Commission Liaison. She stated that Lt. Rayburg and Mr. Haberman are the experts and the liaison would get their information from them. She stated that if Commissioner is present they cannot give authority to the board.

A motion was made to accept the recommended changes to the Traffic Board procedures. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

### Follow up Items:

Agenda Item 4: Request for Stop Sign at the Intersection of Mayfair Drive and Virginia Way

Mr. Haberman conducted a field review of the intersection of Mayfair Drive and Virginia Way and found that the sight distance met the requirements on both speed and grades at the intersection. Mr. Haberman did not recommend the installation of a stop sign. No one was present to speak on this issue. No further action taken.

Agenda Item 5: Request for No Parking Anytime Signs on Inglewood Between Crescent and Beadling

Mr. Haberman stated that there were no crashes over the last 3 years on Inglewood Drive. Mr. Haberman did not recommend installing No Parking signs on Inglewood Drive. No further action was taken on this matter.

Agenda Item 7: Request for Speed Humps on Morgan Drive in Mt. Lebanon Park

Mr. Haberman stated that data was still being collected. This item was tabled until the November meeting.

Agenda Item 8: Request for Study of Intersection of Rockwood and Hoodridge Regarding Sight Line, Traffic Calming and Pedestrian Safety

Commissioner McLean asked if the criteria used was set by Mt. Lebanon or the State. He asked if it would be possible for Mt. Lebanon to change the criteria. Mr. Haberman stated that they are Federal guidelines that the states adopt. Commissioner McLean asked if the sight distance study was done on Hoodridge or just on Rockwood at Hoodridge looking left and right. He requested any measures be taken, to include crosswalks and pedestrian paddles at the intersection.

Mr. Joe Lamonde, 264 Hoodridge spoke regarding the data collection feeling it was compromised due to people slowing down when they see the speed sentry. He also requested a sight distance study on Hoodridge heading toward Castle Shannon.

Ms. Margaret Bond, 301 Hoodridge, spoke regarding the speed and sight distance on Hoodridge.

Lt. Rayburg stated that a resident from Vermont Drive submitted a petition for Traffic Calming and requested that she speak due to Vermont being in the same vicinity as Hoodridge and could be included in the Hoodridge study.

Ms. Priya Amin, 822 Vermont Avenue, spoke regarding the speeds and lack of speed signage in the 800 block of Vermont. She requested a stop sign on Vermont at the border with Castle Shannon, speed humps and crosswalks. She requested a traffic study be done on Vermont due to the speeds and sight distances.

Mr. Adam Warhola, 818 Vermont Avenue, spoke regarding speeds and volume on Vermont. He stated there is an apartment building on the Castle Shannon side of Vermont and a high volume of cars exiting and entering the parking lot.

Ms. Fraasch stated that it is a perception that drivers slow down when they see the speed sentry signs. She does agree that Mt. Lebanon has speed issues but does not feel that the tracking devices effect that data collection.

Mr. Setcavage stated that speed limit signs should be installed especially due to having a school in the vicinity.

Vermont residents were advised that they need 20 households to sign the petition. Mr. McLean stated there were not 20 residences in the 800 block of Vermont.

Lt. Rayburg stated there is only one Jamar unit and it is scheduled to be used until November. Data will be collected at that time.

Board members requested that speed and volume data be collected in the 800 block of Vermont and sight distance study on Hoodridge at the intersection with Rockwood. This issue will be placed on the November agenda.

New Items:

Agenda Item 9: Request for Traffic Calming on Country Club Drive

Ms. Heidi Fimognari, 819 Country Club Drive, spoke regarding speeds and volumes on Country Club Drive. She stated there are three schools in the area and it is dangerous for children walking to school due to no sidewalks.

Ms. Kristen Ummer, 867 Country Club Drive, stated that she understands that criteria must be met and they would not qualify for traffic calming measures but asked if there were other alternatives, such as a stop sign and crosswalks. She asked if pedestrian counts were ever factored into the studies. She also stated that the children walk on the even side of the street and the safe walking route is on the odd side due to the flow of traffic. Lt. Rayburg stated that the School Crossing Guards conduct pedestrian counts twice a year.

Lt. Rayburg recommended parking restrictions in this area to keep drivers from crossing into the opposite lane of traffic.

Ms. Melissa Moorehead, 811 Country Club Drive, spoke regarding the number of pedestrians and the dangerous situation. She requested speed humps at either end of the curve in the roadway.

Ms. Amy Brady, 843 Country Club Drive stated she lives right on the bend and issues are speed, traffic volumes and pedestrian traffic. She stated the road is used as a cut through. She requested that the speed sentry not be used to collect counts. She requested speed humps, stop signs and crosswalks.

Lt. Rayburg stated that the Jamar unit has very limited availability. A motion was made for the Municipal Engineer to collect speed and volume data in the 800 block of Country Club Drive due to municipal resources being limited. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Mr. Fitzgerald suggested an advisory sign for the curve. Ms. Brady stated that type of sign would be last on their list of requests.

Agenda Item 10: Request for Sight Distance Study at Intersection of Magnolia Place and Savannah Avenue

Mr. Clark requested a stop sign on Magnolia Place at Savannah Avenue going eastbound due to the limited sight distance. A motion was made to conduct a sight distance study at the intersection of Magnolia Place and Savannah Avenue. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 11: Request for Traffic Study on Lakemont Drive

Mr. Mark McKenna, 396 Maplewood Drive spoke regarding speeds on Lakemont Drive near the intersection with Maplewood. He requested that the yield sign on Maplewood be replaced with a stop sign stating that vehicles do not stop and pick up speed when turning on to Lakemont. He also requested that stop signs be installed on Lakemont making this intersection a three way stop.

Board members requested Mr. Haberman review this intersection to see if it qualifies for a three way stop sign along with replacing the yield sign with a stop sign.

Agenda Item 12: Request for Parking Restrictions on Lebanon Hills Drive and Main Entrance Drive During School Hours

Mr. Shawn Martin, 115 Main Entrance Drive stated that due to parking restrictions at the High School approximately 30-40 vehicles are parked on Main Entrance each weekday. He spoke regarding the vehicles blocking driveways, sight lines, garbage and leaf collection and snow removal. Mr. Martin stated that residents have been in communication with the Principal at the High School along with Commissioners and Chief Lauth. He asked the board for options.

Mr. Jim Cannon, 145 Main Entrance suggested restricting hours for parking on school days.

Ms. Barbara Moore, 127 Main Entrance stated they have been doing construction on their residence and vehicles are parked in front of their home blocking dumpsters and construction vehicles. Cones were placed in front of the residence and were stolen. Ms. Moore suggested restricting parking from 6:45am – 8:15am with a \$100.00 fine for violators.

Mr. Byron King, 127 Main Entrance stated that the students parking on Main Entrance show no consideration for the residence.

Mr. Setcavage stated that restriction on Main Entrance would just push the problem to another area and it would place restrictions on the residents by not allowing guests to park on the street.

Ms Kim Sampson, 8 Lebanon Hills Drive stated that vehicles are parking up on the curb and some are 12-18 inches from the curb. Vehicles parked on the street make it difficult to get out of driveways.

Mr. Frenie suggested residents attend the next School Board meeting and request that the \$75.00 fee for parking at the High School be eliminated.

Mr. McGill advised board members that since this is a new item to gather data and explore options and inform the residents of the affected area to attend next meeting to voice their concerns.

Mr. Martin stated that he will also be submitting a petition for Traffic Calming.

A motion was made for Mr. Haberman and Lt. Rayburg to explore options in this area. Item will be placed on the November agenda for follow up.

Agenda Item 13: Items from the Floor

Ms. Priya Amin stated she would like to see a speed study done on Vermont along with the addition of signage.

Commissioner McLean thanked the board, and he agreed with the half hour parking restrictions on Main Entrance and also that it is a School District problem. Mr. McLean suggested possibly putting in a pay station for parking on Main Entrance.

Commissioner Fraasch reminded residents and board members about the petition for municipal police to use Radar. She advised them to contact their State Representative regarding this issue.

cc. All Attendees

K. McGill

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