



**NAPERVILLE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES OF JUNE 6, 2015**

Call to Order

8:00 a.m.

A. Roll Call

Present: Amberg, Benson, DiGiovine-Gehrs, Floegel, Gustin, McIntosh, Polites,
Preissig
Absent: Fischer, Smith
Staff Present: Transportation Team Leader Jennifer Louden
Deputy City Engineer Andy Hynes
Police Commander Ken Parcel

B. Minutes

Approve the minutes from the April 11, 2015 Transportation Advisory Board meeting.

Transportation Advisory Board Questions/Discussion: N/A

Approve the minutes from the April 11, 2015 Transportation Advisory Board meeting. Approved
(8 to 0)

Motion by: McIntosh
Second by: Polites

C. Public Forum N/A

D. Old Business N/A

E. Public Hearings N/A

F. Reports and Recommendations

F1. City Council Report

- May 5 – Floegel reported that the new City Council discussed the Uber ride sharing service.
- May 19 – Gustin reported that the City Council continued discussion on Uber and taxi cabs at the train stations and in downtown Naperville.
- June 2 – McIntosh – City Council passed temporary street closures for the Scott School Scoot, the Downtown Naperville Car Show on June 20th, and the 2015 Freedom 5K run. A license agreement for the Greyhound bus that will stop at the Route 59 train station was passed.

F2. Police Department Report

Commander Parcel reported that the Naperville Police Department is partnering with McDonalds to reward families for practicing safe bicycle behaviors with certificates for ice cream throughout the summer.

AARP Driving classes begin on June 16th at 11:00 AM.

Safety Town – Beginning the week of June 8th, the Naperville Police Department will be partnering with the Naperville Junior Women’s Club by offering six weeks of classes that promote road, bicycle, and fire safety for kindergarten and first grade students.

Amberg

- Asked about activities involving the Boy Scouts.

Commander Parcel stated that the Police Department is holding sessions with the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts that feature their training environment and facility tours to educate them on Police operations.

Benson

- Asked for clarification on the rules regarding riding bicycles on sidewalks

Commander Parcel stated that bicycle on the road have to follow the same rules as any other vehicle.

Benson

- Asked if there was anywhere that bicycles could be ridden on sidewalks.

Commander Parcel stated that bicycles could be ridden on sidewalks anywhere except in the downtown area.

F3. Ashwood Heights Right of Way Controls

Hynes provided a summary of the request to established stop and turn restrictions on Arrowwood Drive and Nannyberry Avenue at 103rd Street and 248th Avenue.

Gustin

- Noted that the signs were already installed.

Hynes responded that the signs were installed as a temporary construction measure for safety reasons. The proposed ordinance would

establish the permanent restrictions.

Gustin

- Did the original PUD contemplate these right of way controls?

Hynes responded that the original site plan did include these restrictions. Future improvements will widen 248th Avenue to four lanes.

Gustin

- Asked if these signs will be removed when 248th Avenue is widened to 4 lanes.

Hynes responded that these restrictions will remain after 248th Avenue is widened due to the proximity of the roadways to the intersection at 103rd Street.

Preissig

- Asked if staff was concerned about congestion and if Arrowwood Road and Nannyberry Avenue could become a cut through route in the future.

Hynes responded that the intersection of 103rd and 248th has ample capacity and will be signalized in the near future. Staff is not concerned about cut through traffic as it is not expected to provide a more attractive route.

Gustin

- Asked if the Fire Department is satisfied with the right-in/right-out access on 248th Avenue.

Hynes responded that the Fire Department reviewed and approved the access control plan for the subdivision.

Amberg

- Does TAB review the proposed locations of traffic signals?

Hynes responded that the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices establishes the minimum criteria for intersection signalization based on factors such as crash history and traffic volumes. Historically, new traffic signals have been reviewed and approved by the City Council as part of the Capital Improvement Program review.

Approve the recommendation to establish right of way controls for the Ashwood Heights subdivision. Approved

(8-0)

Motion by: Polites
Second by: Preissig

F4. Establishment of Speed Limit and Stop Controls for Mayfair Subdivision

Hynes provided a summary of the request to established stop and turn restrictions on Arrowwood Drive and Nannyberry Avenue at 103rd Street and 248th Avenue.

McIntosh

- Asked if there were already stop signs established at Audrey Lane and other locations.

Hynes responded that Route 59 and Audrey Lane has signals and other intersections have stop controls.

McIntosh

- Asked if there are other stop controls on Fort Hill Drive.

Hynes responded that there are stop controls along Fort Hill Drive.

McIntosh

- Asked if there are other stop controls on Fairbanks Court.

Hynes responded that he was unsure if there was a stop sign but the Illinois Vehicle Code requires the stem of a T intersection to stop for the through street so Fairbanks Court would have to stop for Fort Hill Drive.

Gustin

- Asked if there was concern about cut through when the subdivision was approved and if there had been other traffic studies.

Hynes responded that he was not aware of other studies but staff had not received and traffic related concerns.

Gustin

- Asked if cut through concerns were received by staff, would stop signs at the Shandrew and Lexington intersections be recommended.

Hynes responded that staff would need to look at the specific nature of the concerns before making recommendations.

Gustin

- Asked if the subdivision was still under construction.

Hynes confirmed that the subdivision was still under construction.

Polites

- Asked if the intersection at Route 59 and Henley was limited to right turn only movements or full access.

Hynes responded that there is a barrier median on Route 59 that prohibits left turn movements.

Amberg

- Asked if there was a traffic signal at Route 59 and Audrey Lane.

Hynes confirmed that there is a traffic signal at that location.

Amberg

- Asked what the current speed limit is on Audrey Lane.

Hynes responded that the current proposal is only for internal subdivision streets and does not include Audrey Lane.

Amberg

- Asked what the current speed limit is on the subdivision streets.

Hynes responded that the current speed limit is 30 mph as that is the default value established by the Illinois Vehicle Code.

Amberg

- Asked how the public will be notified of the change in speed limit.

Hynes responded that speed limit signs will be posted at all of the entrances to the subdivision.

Amberg

- Asked Commander Parcel if there will be a Police presence when the speed limit changes to improve awareness.

Parcel responded that this area has historically not generated a significant number of traffic concerns but Police will address any issues if necessary.

Approve the recommendation to establish of speed limit
and stop controls for Mayfair Subdivision.

Approved
(8-0)

Motion by: McIntosh
Second by: Benson

F5. Lincoln Junior High School Parking Restrictions

Hynes provided a summary of the proposed parking restrictions requested by Lincoln Junior High School administrators to improve the parent drop off and pick up process.

Preissig

- Asked if the restriction should apply 24 hours a day.

Hynes responded that the school administrators only expressed concerns during the parent pick up and dropoff and the proposed restriction are consistent with other existing restrictions. Staff will follow up with the school to ask if all day restrictions are desired.

Amberg

- Stated that his children attended Lincoln Junior High School. Buses and parent vehicles stop traffic on Olympus Drive until the traffic signal changes. On-street parking hinders traffic flow.

Benson

- Asked if this item should be tabled based on Dave Preissig's comments.

Amberg

- Stated that traffic conditions can be challenging during school dropoff. The school also hosts night functions and church events.

Gustin

- Stated that TAB could move forward with the current recommendation.

Louden responded that TAB could move forward with the current recommendation. Staff could follow up with the school and return to TAB if necessary.

Preissig

- Made a motion to implement the restrictions on a 24 hour basis.

Polites

- Stated that the recommendation is based on the school's request but she would support the 24 hour restrictions.

Amberg

- Stated that the school did not request the 24 hour restrictions. He recommended that staff should seek additional input from the school.

Preissig

- Stated that this is a City's jurisdiction matter and the expanded restriction hours would exceed the request from the school.

Gustin

- Stated that if expanded restrictions were implemented, it would have an impact on adjacent residents. These residents should provide their input.

Floegel

- Asked if TAB was over-reaching without getting resident input. He recommended passing the motion as is and revisiting the issue if necessary.

DiGiovine-Gehrs

- Stated that she agrees with Board Members Gustin and Floegel. The motion should be passed as is and the Board revisit later if needed to avoid unnecessary impact.

Amberg

- Asked for an amended motion to get input from the school.

Polites

- Asked for the cost of a future sign change.

Hynes responded that the cost would be minimal.

Benson

- Stated that school is currently out so the issue is not critical at the moment. Table the item until additional information is provided.

Amberg

- Asked who to contact since school is out.

Louden

School administration is still available during the summer. Staff could notify and engage the three adjacent residents that would be affected by the proposed change and come back with an updated recommendation. However, this would delay any changes until after the start of the school year.

Amberg

- Stated that tabling the item with delay sign installation until after the start of school.

Gustin

- Recommended that TAB move forward with the item.

Preissig

- Concurred that the item should move forward.

Floegel

- Concurred that the item should move forward.

McIntosh

- Concurred that the item should move forward.

DiGiovine-Gehrs

- Concurred that the item should move forward.

Benson

- Concurred that the item should move forward due to the start of school. Benson also noted that dialogue with the various stakeholders should continue.

1. Recommend approval to establish a “No Parking, Stopping or Standing” zone from 7:30 to 8:15 AM and from 2:30 to 3:15 PM from a point 228’ north of the centerline of Waxwing to a point 295’ north of the centerline of Waxwing on the east side of Olympus Dr.

Approved

2. Recommend approval to establish a “No Parking, Stopping or Standing” zone from 7:30 to 8:15 AM and from 2:30 to 3:15 PM from a point 173’ north of the centerline of Waxwing to a point 198’ north of the centerline of Waxwing on the east side of Olympus Dr.

(8-0)

Motion by: Polites
Second by: Preissig

F6. Recommendation to Establish Parking Restrictions on Village Green Road from River Front Circle (South) to Aurora Avenue

Hynes provided a summary of the recommendation to establish parking restrictions on Village Green Road to help area resident’s access their mailbox.

Gustin

- Asked if these mailboxes serve only this community.

Hynes confirmed that the mailbox only serve the surrounding residents.

Polites

- Asked where parking spaces are located.

Hynes responded that the spaces are south the mailboxes and north of Aurora Avenue.

Polites

- Noted that there are signs that appear to be missing on Village Green Road.

Hynes responded that staff will investigate to determine if there are missing signs.

Polites

- Stated that she was surprised that community did not request replacement of existing signs that are not legible.

Hynes responded that staff will evaluate all signs in the neighborhood.

Amberg

- Stated that proposed restricted parking locations are in the area where people have to stop to get their mail. This could be a dilemma for law enforcement.

Gustin

- Stated that a no parking area is different that a no parking, stopping, or standing area.

Polites

- Stated that the mailboxes serve a large area so the need is understandable.

Hynes added that the mail carrier also has difficulty accessing the mailboxes on occasion.

Amberg

- Stated that mailbox location should be considered with the subdivision design.

Benson

- Stated that the mailboxes are right off Aurora Avenue and seems dangerous. Recommended discussion with the Police Department and Post Office.

Hynes responded that he did not believe that there is an alternate location for the mailboxes.

Amberg

- This neighborhood is complete but mailbox location should be a consideration for future developments. Asked if the Police Department has concerns.

Parcel responded that this subdivision generally has few concerns.

1. Recommend approval to establish a “No Parking” zone on the west side of Village Green Road from 35’ north of the centerline of River Front Circle (South) to Aurora Avenue. Approved

2. Recommend approval to establish a “No Parking” zone on the east side of Village Green Road from River Front Circle (South) to Aurora Avenue.

(8-0)

Motion by: Gustin
Second by: Floegel

Polites

- Asked if staff could evaluate the existing signage in this area.
- Hynes responded that staff will review the condition of all of the signage in the area.

G. Correspondence

G1. Illinois Route 59 Expansion Construction Update - April 16, 2015 Memorandum

Louden provided an update on the current status of the construction of the Route 59 project and notice of a planned 9 day ramp closure at the Route 59 and I-88 interchange in August. A detour will be posted when the closure becomes effective.

Amberg

- Computer simulation shows the operation of the future interchange. It will be important to communicate the intersection configuration in advance of the opening.

H. New Business

Amberg

- Noted that responses for previous board member questions would be addressed in New Business.

Benson

- Stated that the Naper Notify for the 5K Glow Run did not provide location information. Recommends some location information for people that do not have internet access.

Louden replied that staff will provide this feedback to the Communications Department staff.

Gustin

- Asked if TAB is the proper venue to follow up on the City Council's discussion on Uber.

Louden replied that a referral would typically come from the City Council back to TAB. There are numerous legal issues involved with the Uber discussion. Louden recommended waiting to see how legal issues are resolved before further discussion on the subject.

Amberg

- Stated that TAB is a resource that is prepared to assist the City Council as needed.

McIntosh

- Asked about the status of the waiting list for the Kroehler parking lot.

Louden replied that this information would be provided with the next commuter update.

McIntosh

- Asked if private parking lot sales can be included with the report.

Louden replied that private parking spaces are not permitted so they are difficult to track. Current staffing resources also make collecting this information challenging.

Amberg

- Noted that the park and ride bus system works well.

I. Adjournment

8:58 AM

Motion to adjourn.

Approved
(8-0)

Motion by: Benson

Second by: DiGiovine-Gehrs