

VILLAGE OF FRANKFORT
MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
June 26, 2019

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman William Dowding called the regular meeting of the Traffic Advisory Committee to order on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 1:00 P.M.

In attendance were Chairman William Dowding, Jeff Cook, John Burica, Terry Kestel, Kevin Hack, Scott Potter, Rob Piscia, Adam Nielsen, Darrell Stephen, and Jerry Warning.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (May 1, 2019)

Terry Kestel made a motion (#1), seconded by Scott Potter, to approve the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting of May 1, 2019. The motion to approve the minutes was unanimously approved.

PROGRESS REPORTS

- FIVE OAKS SUBDIVISION
 - Chairman Dowding followed up with Ms. Olszewski with camera information.
 - Terry Kestel advised that signs were posted

- COLORADO & OHIO SIGN REQUEST
 - Chairman Dowding advised it appears that signage is already present

- FALL FEST PARKING – ALTERNATE SITES
 - Research continues

“NO EXIT” SIGNAGE MAGNOLIA COURT

Terry Kestel was contacted by Mr. Lindholm in reference to informational signage on Magnolia Court.

Mr. Lindholm was concerned with the volume and speed of the traffic that would turn down Magnolia Court only to discover that it was a dead end. He requested signage to alert motorists that the Court in fact was not a thru street.

Terry Kestel began the conversation and explained the layout of the cul-de-sac. Jeff Cook explained that other similar roadway configurations have similar signage.

Discussion continued and John Burica made a motion (#2), seconded by Jeff Cook, to approve a “No Exit” informational signage at Magnolia Ct. and Huckins Dr. The motion to approve the signage was approved by the majority of the committee, with Terry Kestel being the only vote opposed.

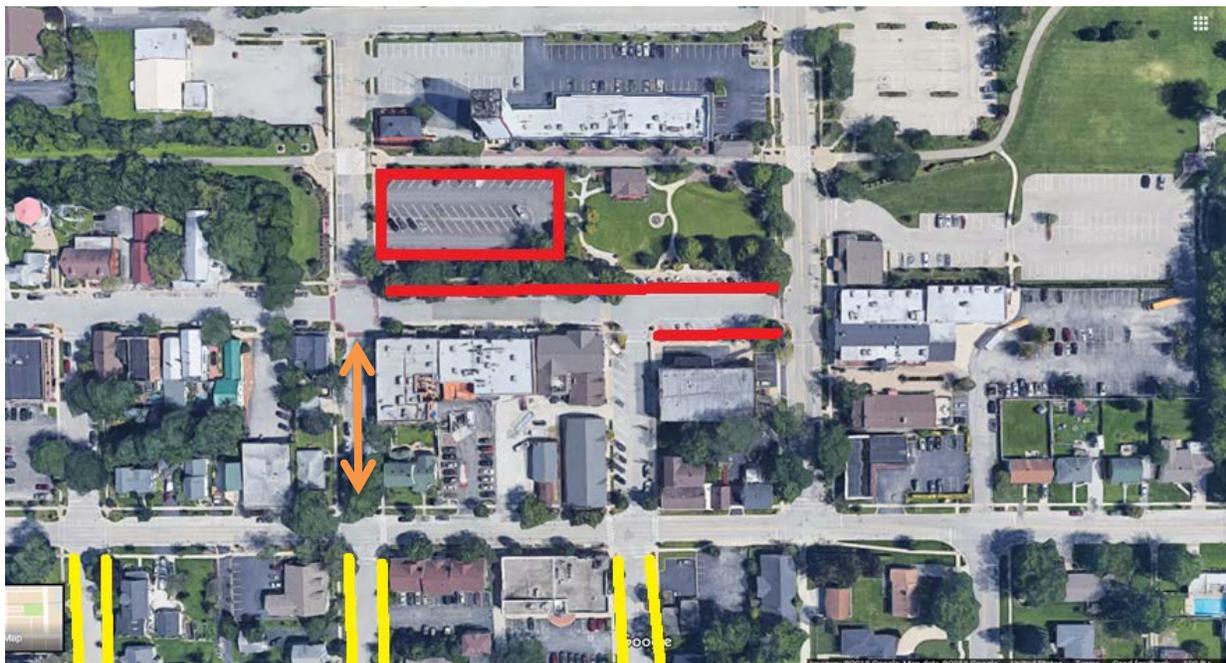
Terry Kestel will contact Mr. Lindholm and ensure the sign is posted

DOWNTOWN PARKING PLAN

Chairman Dowding was contacted by staff and asked to analyze and assemble some options for a comprehensive downtown parking plan. Chairman Dowding opened the discussion and the following information was presented

- No Action
 - Maintain current parking standards
- Timed Parking / Village Sticker
 - Streets and times (See Below)
- Oak St
 - 2 - way traffic between Kansas and Nebraska

 3-Hour Parking 8am-8pm
 Village/Resident Sticker



Jeff Cook asked if the committee felt that a true parking problem existed in downtown Frankfort. All members felt that parking issues truly followed the events in the downtown area. Chairman Dowding added that there were few parking issues on weekdays in the middle of the day. John Burica agreed and added that many of the complaints generated from business owners and residents alike stemmed from employee parking.

The opinion of the committee is that the parking issues downtown are acute in nature and generally follow specific events. John Burica made a motion (#3) that the committee did not see a consistent parking issue in the downtown outside of events, and that if the village/LUP wanted to consider parking restrictions TAC recommended the above initial parking restrictions initially. This information is to be presented to the Land Use and Policy Committee for further discussion and direction. The motion was seconded by Jeff Cook and was unanimously approved.

WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS – DRALLE RD AND RIDGELAND AVE.

Scott Potter received several emails from concerned residents about truck traffic on Dralle Rd between Harlem and Ridgeland Ave and Ridgeland Ave between Dralle Rd and Stuenkel Rd.

Scott Potter advised that these roadways are currently not designed nor in the condition to handle the weight of repeated commercial truck traffic. Large warehouses in the area are currently generating greater volumes of truck traffic exacerbating the problem.

Terry Kestel was concerned with the cost(s) of future repairs of the roadway due to the trucks weight and existing road conditions.

John Burica made a motion (#4) to post “No Truck” signs on Dralle Rd between Harlem and Ridgeland Ave and Ridgeland Ave between Dralle Rd and Stuenkel Rd. The motion was seconded by Jeff Cook and was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Darrell Stephen and Jerry Warning were present at the meeting and wished to discuss parking on Ash St south of Utah St.

In summary Mr. Stephen and Mr. Warning have concerns over parking on Ash St. south of Utah near St. Peter’s Church. They questioned the direction that the development on this block would take on that stretch of roadway. The roadway is designed for 2-Way traffic and Mr. Stephen and Mr. Warning agreed that it would be best to speak with Assistant Village Administrator Jeff Cook about the situation. All parties agreed and the discussion ended.

- Mailbox Parking Ordinance

Chairman Dowding received an email in reference to the Village of Romeoville passing a "Mailbox Parking Ordinance". This issue has been discussed in prior meetings and from the email it appeared that this ordinance would cover single mailboxes. Chairman Dowding checked the ordinance and discovered that it applied to "four or more individual mailboxes placed closely together". No further discussion was needed.

- Sandalwood Dr.

Scott Potter advised that he had been contacted by several residents of the Sandalwood subdivision about multiple traffic related concerns. Parking issues, speeding vehicles, and vehicles doing U-turns mostly related to baseball activities at the park (Sandalwood Dry and 116th Ave).

Scott Potter opened the discussion and simply wanted to make the committee aware of the issues (parking, speeding, erratic driving) and current set of remedies in place.

Patrol units and Directed Patrol Units have been assigned special duties to patrol the area. Citizens on Patrol units were sent to the area to perform spot radar checks of vehicles. A summary of crashes was examined and found that no significant crashes have occurred as a result of speed or events at the baseball field. Robert Joyce of Frankfort Baseball was contacted and asked to let his participants know about the residents' concerns. Additional traffic studies will be conducted in the area, but currently the data does not support any further actions by this committee.

The committee noted his work and thanked all involved for their efforts.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business John Burica made a motion (#5), seconded by Terry Kestel, to adjourn the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting of June 26, 2019 at 2:00p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.