

# **TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**

## **MEETING NOTES**

**June 4, 2007**

**7:05PM-8:10PM**

**Attendees: Rick and Mary Hebbard, Ernest Becker**

**Members Present: Jason Hindle, Chair, Dennis Munson, Glenn Grasso, Ed Wentworth, Paul Vlasich, Dave White, Engineering; Chief Colarusso, Sgt. Speidel, Police; Bruce Woodruff, Planning**

### **I MEETING NOTES**

(1). No Meeting Notes were reviewed.

### **II OLD BUSINESS:**

(1). Locust St/Library Access Drive Parking Concern staff gave an update. A motion was made to remove the last parking space at the Library drive on Locust. Vote: U/A.

(2). Crosswalk Policy review update and draft changes were handed out to the members. Members asked to consider the changes to the policy for a July 9, 2007 meeting where the public could make comment. The intent is also to change the focus from school routes crosswalk surveys to the downtown more well used crosswalks to determine which need upgrades and which should stay or go. Speidel spoke on proper sign standards in the policy. Grasso spoke on his concerns as well. Chief stated the highway safety grant begins on 7/1 and the Police can work toward allaying concerns and issues. Chair noted that policy and draft changes should be added to the web site. He stated he would work with the business community re: safety and signs. Paul Vlasich stated that CS has a sign inventory for your use. Ed Wentworth noted wider crosswalks are noticed more and appear to be better for visibility.

### **III NEW BUSINESS**

(1). Main Street Parking Concern. Staff gave the Commission an update on what was happening re: engineering study and striping plan implementation. In the meantime, that area will not be striped with the rest of the corridor. Chair wanted the abutters on Main St. invited to the future meeting where this will be taken up again.

(2). Strategy & Scheduling of remaining 11 ext./similar named streets to be renamed as per E911 rules. A handout was given to members. The commission will take up a small number of these streets in September. A Bellamy Rd Extension resident was present to ask if that street could be added to the list to be renamed. Chair noted this is a good, open process where residents can pick the name for their street and that the Postmaster can be in on the process.

(3). Downtown parking directional signage. Speidel spoke on the directional signage survey done for the public parking and route signage downtown. It is confusing. Chair noted that a color-coded map with parking delineated should be done for a pamphlet and the web site. Grasso noted that parking should be done in concentric circles based on walking time in minutes. No action taken.

(4). Bellamy Rd Chapter 166 parking amendment (housekeeping) item was addressed by Speidel. He noted this is a change only, it does not result in any physical parking numbers or location changes. Motion to recommend made. Vote U/A.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- (1) Vlasich stated he wanted the TAC to add an agenda item for a future meeting on imprint crosswalks.
- (2) Rick Hebbard stated that several signs throughout the City are now obscured by vegetation. Who is surveying these and when are they going to remove the vegetation.

#### **ADJOURN**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:10PM. Next meeting will be Monday, July 9, 2007.**

**Submitted,  
Bruce Woodruff, City Planner**