



CITY OF DOVER

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: City Hall Auditorium
Meeting Date: **Monday, July 28, 2008**
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

TAC Meeting Minutes - DRAFT VERSION July 28, 2008

Meeting called to order by Glenn Grasso at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Glenn Grasso (Chair) Marn Speidel (Police), David White (Community Services), Councilwoman Karen Weston, John Scruton, Dennis Munson, Ed Wentworth, Bruce Woodruff (Planning).

Absent: Peter Schmidt (COAST)

CITIZEN'S FORUM

Closed

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Traffic Calming Committee:

John Scruton expressed concerns that the City of Dover is not doing enough to alleviate traffic issues.

Downtown Parking Committee:

Peter Schmidt was absent and will present report next month.

OLD BUSINESS

Review/Approval of Minutes for June 23, 2008 Meeting. David White suggested to change his motion on New Business. Chairman Grasso made changes. Glenn asked him to put it into Page 2, Letter B on June's Meeting Notes.

Motion: Made by Ed Wentworth to accept approval of July 23, 2008 Minutes. Seconded by David White.

Henry Law Avenue Traffic Flow & Parking Changes Information and Public Comment.

Marn Speidel gave brief history of Henry Law Avenue parking ideas, stating most important issue is to increase the number of parking spaces. He stated a list of pro's and con's. Bruce Woodruff stressed that these are only "ideas". Final decision will be made after construction is completed on Henry Law Avenue. He also spoke of future traffic bridge over the river to Washington Street and how the city will be developing a plan. Bruce and Marn also heard a great deal of feedback from residents of the Central Towers complex. Funding for the bridge is almost in place. Land issues are holding up the process. The State will be giving approval once these issues are resolved. Kurt Schuman, Chairman of Parking AdHoc Committee gave brief update: Pay & Display Program--parking tickets will be purchased at central location, and than ticket would be displayed on dashboard of vehicle. Marn Speidel reminded committee members that there always will be road condition issues to deal with during inclement weather. Ed Wentworth emphasized that he would like to make sure parking regulations will be better enforced.

Public Comments:

Corey & Steve Stripte of Sonnett Street have concerns about new traffic issues and asked how the city will be dealing with these issues.

Wayne Chick stated that plans sound good so far.

Kurt Schuman stated that the City does need to have a parking program so that the future parking garage will work.



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John Scruton stated that he would like to see traffic slowed down on Henry Law Avenue and gave suggestions on eliminating right-hand turns to aid with traffic issues.

Motion: Marn Speidel made motion to make one way traffic on Henry Law Avenue and stated that amendment needed to be made to City Ordinance. Bruce Woodruff stated that the City will need to checkout these three streets: Henry Law, Hanson _____? How much more traffic (4-6 p.m.) Councilwoman Weston would like to see speed limit set at 25mph. Marn Speidel reminded Board that speed limits are set by State Statues.

Motion: Motion made by Dennis Munson and Seconded by Ed Wentworth to send these changes to the City Council.

New Business

Henry Law Park Parking Lot Signage Issue.

Councilwoman Weston inquired if the 55 parking spots that are there designated for pool recreation users only. Marn Speidel stated that the lot is deeded for recreation usage only and that the Museum visitors are considered recreation and that the City Attorney states that parking spots need to be divided evenly between the pool recreation users and museum visitors. Marn Speidel will discuss this issue with both members of the Museum and City Recreation.

Motion: Made by Dennis Munson and seconded by Marn Speidel _____????
All in favor.

Street Name Changes

Chairman, Glenn Grasso stated:

Bellamy Road will be Chandler Road Extension

Redden Street Extension will be renamed to Redden Street

Tolend Extension will be renamed Atina Way

Spur Road Extension (four houses in all) will be renamed, many comments received from residents. Members of the TAC Committee need to choose a name.

Councilwoman Weston inquired about traffic on Chestnut and Locust Streets - email brought up by Councilman Doug Dede. Bruce Woodruff stated that issues were pending. That City Attorney needs more time to review issues. Bruce Woodruff would like to have truck issue put on the August Agenda.

Marn Speidel spoke of setting speed limit on Durham Road, lowering it from 35 mph to 30 mph. He would like this issue placed on next agenda.

Chairman Grasso would like the TAC Committee to finish items.

Bruce Woodruff gave suggested names for Spur Road.(get list from Bruce). Marn Speidel would like committee to go with list provided from residents.

Motion: John Scuton motioned to call Spur Road Finch Lane. Seconded by Ed Wentworth.
VOTE: 6-2 (Marn Speidel and Dennis Munson against).

Motion: Made by Ed Wentworth to accept the first four name changes. Seconded by Dennis Munson.



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Next Meeting: August 25, 2008

Motion to Adjourn made by Dennis Munson a 8:59 p.m. Seconded by Ed Wentworth.