

Traffic Safety Committee, Meeting Minutes, August 19, 2022

Chief Kilcullen called the meeting to order at 9:06 A.M

Members Present: Chief Kilcullen, Ted Gillen, Devon Neary and Commander Sheldon

Members Absent: James Rotondo and Brad Lafaso from LaFaso Electric

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request for 4-way stop on Franklin at Granger/Howe – resident in neighborhood (This Agenda Item was tabled from our July 15, 2022 meeting)

Chief Kilcullen mentioned that we had tabled this item from last month's meeting. There was a brief discussion regarding near misses caused by people not stopping. Chief Kilcullen showed 2 spots where neighbors suggested stop signs be installed. It was asked if a "Children at Play" sign could be installed.

Devon Neary stated that it isn't going to matter what you put up for signage. It probably isn't going to make people abide by it. Devon suggested that we install 2 "Children at Play" signs. Ted Gillen asked if there is one section that is of more concern than an other?

Ted Gillen suggested to maybe put a stop sign on Franklin Street, coming from the dead end. Chief stated that people are saying they're not stopping at Howe Street. Devon asked what this was going to do. Ted asked if Howe Street is of more concern. Chief Kilcullen stated that it is. Devon stated that sometimes you guys put up "Cross traffic doesn't stop." Ted replied Yes. We put one up at the intersection of South Street and Granger Street. It was decided that "Cross traffic doesn't stop" signs would be installed in this area.

2. Request through the CAIR committee to evaluate the pedestrian crossing in front of the TD Bank at the Merchants Row and Evelyn Street intersection

Ted stated that the original request was for a flashing beacon light. This isn't at the signalized intersection. Chief said that it's headed South on Merchants Row onto Evelyn Street. Chief Kilcullen mentioned that there aren't any sight line issues. Devon asked if it was marked at crosswalk. Ted indicated that it is painted. Commander Sheldon stated that we really don't have any problems at this location. Devon suggested that we could put one "pedestrian with one arrow in green" sign, here. He also mentioned that the line striping is amazing where it has been redone in the City. Ted Gillen stated that he met with the line people. Some paint isn't thick enough. They are going to fix those areas. It's all epoxy. Ted mentioned that we will probably see more on West Street. Devon asked if they are going to be grinding out and doing West Street. They have to change signals and striping and hanging signs on lights.

Other old business

Parking Kiosk part

Chief Kilcullen asked Ted about the hearing regarding Parking Kiosk. Chief mentioned that Officer Emilio Rosario reached out to the DPW Sign guy and was told that we wouldn't be ordering the part. Chief stated that it's not like we "can't order the part." We need to. We will need to repair the Kiosk while we wait to replace them at a later date. Ted will call his contact to order the part.

Request to install a "No Parking Here to Corner" sign or something similar near the intersection of Bellevue Avenue and North Street Extension (from our July 15, 2022 Agenda)

Ted mentioned that he was reading the Minutes regarding this and said the distance the car is parked from North Street Extension is like 100+ feet. Our BCI Officers did stop some cars, here and had a conversation with those individuals. Things seem to be cleared up, now.

No further action necessary regarding this Agenda item.

Size of Pedestrian signs

Ted Gillen believes the standard for pedestrian signs is now 36X36. He asked if we want to have the same size at school crossings, too?

There was a brief discussion on how these larger signs were ordered in error but have proved to be effective so we had decided to continue to order these larger signs going forward.

Status of crosswalk at Harrington Avenue

Devon asked where we were at with the crosswalk @ Harrington Avenue, with school fast approaching. I was asked to pull minutes regarding this crosswalk.

Route's 4 & 7

This item is in committee right now. Will probably be another discussion item here in the future. Ted mentioned that it would be nice to address this when we're re-doing streets next year.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:38 A.M.