Village of Lombard

Village Hall 255 East Wilson Ave. Lombard, IL 60148 villageoflombard.org



Minutes

Monday, May 13, 2013 7:00 PM

Village Hall, Village Manager's Conference Rm

Transportation & Safety Committee

Trustee Reid Foltyniewicz - Chairperson
Trustee Mike Fugiel - Alternate Chairperson
Michael Corso, John Larkin, John Schwarz,
Bob Corbino, Jerry Schaefer, Jennifer Perkins,
Gary Cation and John Mullins
Staff Liaisons: Deputy Chief Pat Rollins - Police and
Frank Kalisik - Public Works

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 Roll Call

Present 6 - Trustee Reid Foltyniewicz, Michael Corso, John Larkin Jr., John Schwarz, Bob Corbino, and Jerry Shaefer

Staff Present: Deputy Chief Pat Rollins

3.0 Public Participation

Mr. Gary Cation, 255 W. 19th Street, Lombard

4.0 Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Bob Corbino, seconded by John Larkin, Jr., that the Minutes of the April 1, 2013, meeting be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

5.0 Unfinished Business

130140 New Street at Hammerschmidt Avenue, Request to Remove No Left Turn Restriction

A resident request to remove the existing No Left Turn restriction. (DISTRICT #6)

The committee briefly discussed the request.

A motion was made by John Larkin, Jr., seconded by Jerry Schaefer, that this Request be recommend to the Board of Trustees for Approval. The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

6.0 New Business

130211 School Bus Parking in Residential Neighborhoods

A resident request to prohibit school bus parking on residential streets. (DISTRICT #5)

Chairperson Foltyniewicz commented that this effects his neighborhood as well. There is a bus that parks on Hillcrest that makes it tough to see the stop sign and cross traffic. Schwarz asked what the residents concern is with the bus parking there. Rollins answered that this is a neighbor who is looking to keep the aesthetics of the community. The resident driving the bus, picks it up from the yard in the morning and the bus company allows them to bring it home. The Village does not permit anything above a "D" plate in the driveway, so the bus can't park there. Rollins went on to say that

there are approximately 15-20 busses parked throughout the community on a daily basis.

Schaefer suggested that Village staff contact the bus company and ask them to ask this one bus driver to rotate where they park. Rollins replied that it is a neighbor dispute. The Police Department did contact her and she parked elsewhere for a little while, but she is back to parking in front of her house. Schwarz asked if it is causing any sight obstruction. Rollins answered that it is not. Schaefer commented that he does not see any safety issues. Corso added that although it sounds to him like a "not in my backyard issue", it's hard to tell someone who has been living there 40 or 50 years that they have to look at this all day. Chairperson Foltyniewicz asked if the bus is parked in front of the drivers house. Rollins answered that it is. He also reiterated that this is a wide-spread issue, it's not just this one location. When the Police Department get these if it's determined they are causing a line-of-sight issue we tell them they can't park there. However, we need to think about how you would apply this across the village. It's also different bus companies. Mr. Cation suggested that staff find out what other towns do.

Chairperson Foltyniewicz summarized action items for staff to bring more information to the next meeting: investigate bus company policies, find out what adjacent villages do and verify the time frame that the bus is parking.

A motion was made by John Schwarz, seconded by Michael Corso, that this Request be tabled . The motion passed by an unanimous vote.

7.0 Other Business

Chairperson Foltyniewicz commented on looking into doing Compliance Tickets. Almost all of the money goes to the village and it's a cheaper ticket. Most officers don't want write someone a \$120 ticket. Rollins replied that he believes Lombard Code permits it already and it was an internal practice to not do it. However, it could be discussed at staff level with the Village Attorney.

Chairperson Foltyniewicz also said that he would like to look at installing 4-way stop signs at 17th Street/LaLonde Avenue. After the bend, there is a straight-away that people speed down. There are stop signs for north/south, but the heavier traffic is east/west. Schwarz commented that stop signs are not to be used for speed control, if there's a speed problem the Police Department needs to do enforcement. General discussion ensued regarding stop signs. Schwarz added that the committee adheres to the warrants required in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), which includes traffic counts, geometrics and lines of sight.

General discussion ensued regarding the Illinois Prairie Path crossing at Main and pedestrian crossings in general.

Corbino suggested that the Village should look into putting in a pathway for bikes to get to downtown, like a bicycle lane, and more bike racks.

8.0 Information Only

9.0 Adjournment

A motion was made by John Schwarz, seconded by Bob Corbino, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.