

A regular meeting of the Troy Traffic Committee was held Wednesday, February 19, 2014 in the Lower Level Conference Room at Troy City Hall. Pete Ziegenfelder called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. Roll Call

PRESENT: Tim Brandstetter
Ted Halsey
Richard Kilmer
Al Petrusis
Stevan Popovic
Pete Ziegenfelder

ABSENT: Sarah Binkowski

Also present: Tod Jenkins, 6773 Little Creek
Jim and Phyllis Williams, 3317 McClure
Lt. Eric Caloia, Fire Department
Sgt. Mike Szuminski, Police Department
Bill Huotari, Deputy City Engineer/Traffic Engineer

2. Minutes – November 20, 2013**RESOLUTION # 2014-02-01**

Moved by Kilmer
Seconded by Petrusis

To approve the November 20, 2013 minutes as printed.

YES: 5 (Halsey, Kilmer, Petrusis, Popovic, Ziegenfelder)
NO: None
ABSENT: 2 (Binkowski, Brandstetter)

MOTION CARRIED

REGULAR BUSINESS**3. Request for Traffic Control – Chancery at Little Creek**

Lynda Fitzpatrick of 6735 Little Creek requests that traffic control be placed at the intersection of Chancery and Little Creek. Ms. Fitzpatrick states that the lack of Stop signs at the intersection creates a hazardous situation.

Tod Jenkins of 6773 Little Creek was in attendance at the meeting . Mr. Jenkins has lived in the area for 18 years. He is not aware of any crashes at the intersection [there has

been one crash reported at the intersection in the past five years]. Mr. Jenkins is not opposed to the change but is not sure why it is needed and questions if a change should be made.

Sgt. Szuminski confirmed that there have been no crashes at the intersection in his review back to January 13, 2013.

RESOLUTION # 2014-02-02

Moved by Halsey
Seconded by Popovic

RESOLVED, that NO changes be made at the intersection of Chancery at Little Creek.

YES: 6 (Brandstetter, Halsey, Kilmer, Petrulis, Popovic, Ziegenfelder)
NO: None
ABSENT: 1 (Binkowski)

MOTION CARRIED

4. Request for Traffic Control – McClure at Banmoor

Phyllis Williams of 3317 McClure requests that traffic control be placed at the intersection of McClure at Banmoor. Ms. Williams states that the lack of Stop signs at the intersection creates a hazardous situation.

Phyllis Williams of 3317 McClure was in attendance at the meeting. She discussed the need for Stop signs due to McClure being used as a bypass for Crooks Road. She reports that traffic volumes have increased significantly over the past few years. The road is narrow and used for all modes of travel including walkers, bikers and cars as there are no sidewalks in the area. Ms. Williams feels that Stop signs will help control traffic on McClure.

Jim Williams of 3317 McClure supported all that Ms. Williams reported. He added that he walks his two dogs daily on McClure and traffic is indeed much heavier than in the past. He stated that Stop signs would add to the safety of the area.

Traffic Engineering received one email in support of Stop signs at the intersection from Azam Makki of 1915 Muer. He stated that the lack of sidewalks in the area coupled with an increase in traffic has created an unsafe situation.

Mr. Ziegenfelder asked if the purpose of the Stop signs was speed control or to make people stop at the intersection. Mr. and Ms. Williams stated that they felt Stop signs would address both issues. They feel that Stop signs would help focus attention at the intersection.

Mr. Ziegenfelder asked about the location of the school bus stop. It was reported that it is on McClure, between Banmoor and Muer.

Sgt. Szuminski reported that there have been no crashes at the intersection in his review back to January 13, 2013.

Ms. Williams stated that there have been two (2) incidents on McClure in the past that have not been reported.

RESOLUTION # 2014-02-03

Moved by Kilmer
Seconded by NONE

RESOLVED, that the intersection of McClure at Banmoor be modified to All-Way STOP control.

There was no support for this Resolution.

RESOLUTION # 2014-02-04

Moved by Brandstetter
Seconded by Popovic

RESOLVED, that the intersection of McClure and Banmoor be modified from a YIELD sign on Banmoor to a STOP sign on the Banmoor approach to McClure.

YES: 5 (Brandstetter, Halsey, Petrulis, Popovic, Ziegenfelder)
NO: 1 (Kilmer)
ABSENT: 1 (Binkowski)

MOTION CARRIED

5. Request for Traffic Control – McClure at Muer

Phyllis Williams of 3317 McClure requests that traffic control be placed at the intersection of McClure at Muer. Ms. Williams states that the lack of Stop signs at the intersection creates a hazardous situation.

The same discussion ensued for this intersection as previously discussed for McClure/Banmoor.

RESOLUTION # 2014-02-05

Moved by Popovic
Seconded by Halsey

RESOLVED, that the intersection of McClure and Muer be modified from NO traffic control to a STOP sign on the McClure approach to Muer.

YES: 6 (Brandstetter, Halsey, Kilmer, Petrulis, Popovic, Ziegenfelder)
NO: NONE
ABSENT: 1 (Binkowski)

MOTION CARRIED

6. Public Comment

Ms. Williams asked about other options for McClure in lieu of All-Way Stop signs. Sgt. Szuminski stated that this area is similar to many other areas in the city. He will add the area to the roll call so that when officers are in the area and are not responding to higher priority calls they will provide additional attention to McClure.

7. Other Business

Mr. Popovic asked about the use of “No Through Traffic” signs. The city does not use these types of signs as public roads are open to use for all.

Mr. Brandstetter asked about the use of traffic calming measures in Troy. To date, there is one (1) speed hump in use on Walnut Hill. This was paid for by the residents in this area as part of a special assessment district paving project. Most recent comments have been that it is not very effective. Other traffic calming measures have not been investigated in great depth as initial feedback in areas where they have been considered has not moved forward due to lack of support by residents in the area primarily due to cost.

Mr. Petrulis discussed the intersection of Coolidge and Maple and specifically the need for additional signage to reinforce no left turns from southbound Coolidge to westbound Maple. Traffic Engineering will review the area to determine if additional signage can be placed.

A general discussion ensued regarding road conditions, funding, lack of maintenance, etc. A suggestion was made to have signs placed along the road when concrete is curing to inform the public why there may not be construction activity taking place in that area for several days. This suggestion will be reviewed and potentially incorporated into upcoming concrete slab replacement projects.

8. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

, Vice-Chairperson

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