

Minutes

NEW BERLIN SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES

August 8th, 2001 7:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order:

Called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Chairman Jim Polczynski

Present:

Steve Bartelt, Jim Polczynski, Ron Schildt, Bill Dunn, Deb Schenk, Jack Chiovatero, Don Ullman, Randy Alf

Excused/Absent:

Tony Goedheer, Ken Czyzewski, Kory Hauser

Communications:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Bill Dunn to approve the July 11, 2001 minutes. Seconded by Jim Polczynski and carried unanimously.

Old Business:

04 01 06 Request for painted cross walks where hiking/biking trails cross Sunny Slope, Moorland, and Calhoun roads. All cross walks have been painted by the Waukesha Co. Parks Department.

Motion by Bill Dunn to drop from the agenda and seconded by Don Ullman. Motion carried unanimously.

01 01 07 Elm Grove and Needham. Concern for intersection safety due to sight distances. Request for signs on Elm Grove indicating "Intersection Ahead" or a stop sign on Elm Grove Rd. Don Ullman reports the Highway Dept. has cleared some brush and shrubbery. Commissioners feel sight distances are good and the signing is very adequate.

Motion by Steve Bartelt to decline request and drop this item from the agenda. Second by Bill Dunn and carried unanimously.

02 01 07 Elm Grove Rd. median south of Greenfield Ave. Traffic is turning southbound on Elm Grove and going on left side of median. Request for a sign on median indicating traffic should stay to the right. At this point the work on Greenfield is not complete and the construction may be causing some of this problem. The commission feels placing a sign in the roadway would be more hazardous than good. **Motion** by Steve Bartelt to decline and drop from the agenda and seconded by Deb Schenk. Motion carried unanimously.

02 00 06 Balboa and Woodfield. (Revisited) intersection safety due to trees/shrubbery. Although the design of this intersection is not real good there is plenty of sight distance. If people stay in their lanes and follow the rules of the road this intersection is very safe. Our accident records indicate this intersection is a very safe one. The commission recommends to the Highway Dept. to do a one-time painting of a "directional stripe" on the roadway. This "directional stripe" will be placed per the City Engineering Dept. specifications.

Motion by Bill Dunn and seconded by Deb Schenk to turn this over to engineering and the highway departments and drop from the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

03 01 07 Pendulum Pub Parking – Park Ave & 124th St. Request some type of parking regulation in front of the Pub because it is hard to see traffic. The commission studied this area and feels the sight distances are adequate.

Motion by Bill Dunn and seconded by Steve Bartelt to decline the request and drop from the agenda with the request for Randy Alf to send a letter to the Pub to inform their patrons to use the side and rear parking lots also. Motion carried unanimously.

04 01 07 Wilbur and Cottonwood. Intersection safety and request for a 2-way stop.

This area is under construction and going through some change. When the intersection is completed the commission will conduct further study.

Motion by Bill Dunn and seconded by Deb Schenk to table this item. Motion carried unanimously.

Tabled Items:

03 00 06 Keep Kids Alive – Drive 25. (Revisited) (Tabled 10/11/00). (No action)

New Business:

01 01 08 Greenfield and Moorland and Greenfield and Sunny Slope. Illegal "U" turns. Signs were requested to tell people "U" Turns were illegal. Illegal "U" Turns are not limited to these two locations and happen throughout the City. The commission feels placing more signs, in already busy intersections, could cause more harm than good. At this time there are no such signs in our City and to place them at these intersection would mean we should place them at all controlled intersections. We feel this is an enforcement issue, but the commission will contact the County Highway Dept. to advise them of the nature of this complaint. **Motion** by Bill Dunn and seconded by Ron Schildt to decline this request and drop from our agenda. Ron Schildt will be in contact with the County Highway Dept.

02 01 08 Moorland and Cleveland Ave. Timing of turn arrows. Commission will study. Hold on agenda.

03 01 08 5000 south block of Emmer Dr. Request for "No Parking" signs. Commission to study further. Hold on agenda.

04 01 08 Moorland and Small Roads. Request for signs directing trucks to the industrial park. Commission will study. Hold on agenda.

Motion by Jim Polczynski to adjourn the meeting at 8:44 p.m. Seconded by Bill Dunn and carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Alf

Secretary