

**NEW BERLIN SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
Wednesday August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2005 6:30pm

**Please note: Minutes are unofficial until approved by the Safety Commission at the next regularly scheduled meeting.**

**Meeting called to order:** Called to order at 6:34p.m. by Randy Alf.

**Present:** Paul Rozek, Ron Schildt, Roger Hegeman, Jim Moczydlowski, Earl Strandt and Randy Alf.

**Excused:** Don Ullman, Lynn Dahlvik, Bill Dunn and Tony Goedheer.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Roger Hegeman and seconded by Earl Strandt to accept the July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2005 minutes as read. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

02 03 08      Parking concerns in front of Glen Park School due to the number of people coming to watch little league baseball. Commission will continue to study. Hold on the agenda.

\*01 05 06      Grange Ave from 124<sup>th</sup> Street to Moorland Rd. Request to lower speed limit from 35mph to 30 mph and make that stretch of roadway a no passing zone in both directions. Several citizens were present to speak on this issue. There were comments of making the road similar to Grange Ave. east of 124<sup>th</sup> where it is a no passing zone and the speed limit is 30mph. A citizen also presented a letter from the Village of Hales Corners indicating what they did. The following were some of the concerns presented by the citizens; Safety of children and residents (there are 2 schools and many homes and subdivisions in the area), speeding vehicles, unsafe passing of vehicles, large trucks, safety concern for the animals in the area... Aldermen Ken Harenda and Roger Hegeman added that lowering the speed limit to 30mph and making the area a no passing zone could help reduce some of the safety concerns. Alderman Harenda added that if Grange Ave. were to be improved and widened some time in the future the speed limit could be changed back to 35mph. Ron Schildt, from the City's Engineering Department, presented some traffic safety facts about the area. Grange Ave is an arterial street and is meant to move traffic. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile was 42 mph plus, which would indicate the road could safely handle speeds a bit higher than that. He also presented information that when the stretch of road between Sunny Slope and Moorland was resurfaced speeds did not significantly increase. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile went from 43.5 to 44mph. Ron Schildt reported that there were only

12 accidents in a five-year period starting in 2000 and running through 2004. This data presented would conclude that this stretch of Grange Ave. is safe and there is no need to reduce the speed limit and make it a no passing zone. After much discussion a motion was made by Roger Hegeman and seconded by Earl Strandt. **Motion: Recommend to Council that the speed limit on Grange Ave. between 124<sup>th</sup> Street and Moorland Rd., be lowered from 35mph to 30mph and make it a no passing zone in both directions.** The motion passed 4 yes and 2 no. This recommendation should be forwarded to Council for their action. Alderman Roger Hegeman will contact the City Clerks Office for this item to be placed on the agenda for the 8/23/05 Council meeting. Hold on the agenda for Council's action.

01 05 07 Moorland Road Safety Improvements (Waukesha County Project) Kevin Yanny of the Waukesha County DPW gave more detail of the project and answered questions. A motion was made by Ron Schildt and seconded by Paul Rozek. **Motion: To support Waukesha Counties June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005 proposal for the median closures and the turn lane improvements.** Motion carried. Hold on agenda.

02 05 07 Request for sidewalks on Moorland Rd. South of National on the east and west side. Commission will continue to study. Hold on the agenda.

03 05 07 Request for no parking signs on National on the north side of the street between Moorland and 15700 west. Commission will research further. Hold on the agenda.

#### **New Business:**

01 05 08 Election of commission officers. Commission decided to hold this item on our agenda until the September meeting. Hold on the agenda.

02 05 08 Moorland Rd. and Beloit Rd. The concern is when cars are facing northbound in the westbound turn lane of Moorland Rd. The cars are turning before the median into the eastbound lanes of traffic on Beloit Rd. The commission will study further. Hold on the agenda.

**Motion** by Ron Schildt seconded by Jim Moczydlowski to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Alf  
Secretary