

ROCKFORD TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD

Wednesday, May 10, 2017, 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. Dock Ward at 6:03 PM.

**Members Present**

Mr. Dock Ward, Chairman  
Mr. Leland Carlson, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Fred Lierman  
Mr. Gregg Wilson, Transportation, School District 205  
Sgt. Ben Boeke, Rockford Police Department  
Mr. Mike Rotolo, Rockford Fire Department  
Mr. Scott Capovilla, Community Development Department  
Mr. Jeremy Carter, Public Works Department

**Members Absent**

Alderman Joseph Chiarelli, 14<sup>th</sup> Ward  
Mr. Vince McLean, Rockford Mass Transit District  
Mr. Michael Dunn Jr, Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning

**Also Present**

Mr. Bryce Andrus, 1615 Kilburn Ave, 61101  
Mrs. Denise Andrus, 1615 Kilburn Ave, 61101  
Mr. Chuck Sicotte, 6690 Barrick Dr, 61114  
Mrs. Shaun Sicotte, 6690 Barrick Dr, 61114  
Ms. Jackie Wojcik, 6728 Barrick Dr, 61114  
Ms. Sharon Brown, 6728 Barrick Dr, 61114  
Mr. Ed Hornbeck, 1607 Kilburn Ave, 61101

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on March 8, 2017 were approved as submitted.

**The Traffic Commission recommended the following items:**

1. Request in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, from Shaun Sicotte, to establish “No Parking Any Time” on the north side of Barrack Lane from Wishart Drive to 210’ east of Wishart Drive. (Ms. Wojcik discussed parking issues in front of her house. She discussed that she is concerned about emergency response vehicle access when parking is on both sides. F. Lierman stated he believed this item had come before the Traffic Commission before. Commission recommended establishing “No Parking Any Time” on the north side of Barrack Lane from Reid Farm Road to Knox Drive. Motion by G. Wilson, seconded by L. Carlson. Voted 7-0)

2. Request in the 7<sup>th</sup> Ward, from Ed Hornbeck, to establish “No Parking Any Time” on the east side of Kilburn Avenue from Parkside Avenue to 380’ south of Parkside Avenue. (Mr. Andrus discussed parking issues in front of his business. Mr. Hornbeck discussed his concerns about a vision triangle at the alley near his business and that he wants parking removed so drivers could see down the street. Commission recommended establishing “No Parking Any Time” on the east side of Kilburn Avenue from 160 feet south of Parkside Avenue to 240 south of Parkside Avenue. Motion by Sgt. Boeke, seconded by L. Carlson. Voted 7-0)
3. Request in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, from Dave Straube, to establish stop control at the intersection of Garret Lane and Maeve Lane. (Commission discussed that this area does not have stop signs on the lesser road of the Tee intersection. Commission recommended establishing traffic control of traffic on Maeve Lane being required to stop prior to entering the intersection with Garrett Lane. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by S. Capovilla. Voted 7-0)
4. Request in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, from Dave Straube, to establish stop control at the intersection of Garrett Lane and Shay Drive. (Commission recommended establishing traffic control of traffic on Shay Drive being required to stop prior to entering the intersection with Garrett Lane. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by S. Capovilla. Voted 7-0)
5. Request in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, from Dave Straube, to establish stop control at the intersection of Garrett Lane and Brett Place. (Commission recommended establishing traffic control of traffic on Brett Place being required to stop prior to entering the intersection with Garrett Lane. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by S. Capovilla. Voted 7-0)
6. Request in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, from Dave Straube, to establish stop control at the intersection of Garrett Lane and Karls Court. (Commission recommended establishing traffic control of traffic on Karls Court being required to stop prior to entering the intersection with Garrett Lane. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by S. Capovilla. Voted 7-0)
7. Request in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, from Dave Straube, to establish stop control at the intersection of Garrett Lane and Madeline Drive. (Commission recommended establishing traffic control of traffic on Madeline Drive being required to stop prior to entering the intersection with Garrett Lane. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by S. Capovilla. Voted 7-0)
8. Request in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, from Dave Straube, to establish stop control at the intersection of Garrett Lane and Joyce Avenue. (Commission recommended establishing traffic control of traffic on Joyce Avenue being required to stop prior to entering the intersection with Garrett Lane. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by S. Capovilla. Voted 7-0)

**The Traffic Commission recommended taking “No Action” on the following items:**

1. Request in the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward, from Angela Spencer, to establish traffic control at the intersection of Harney Court and 28<sup>th</sup> Street. (J. Carter discussed that this item was referred back by mistake. Commission recommended taking “No Action”. Motion by J. Carter, seconded by F. Lierman. Voted 7-0)
2. Request 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, from Nicole Durkee, to establish traffic control at the intersection of Wishart Drive and Heather Lane. (Commission discussed the intersection appears to have minor sight lines that could be improved by trimming foliage, low traffic volume and low history of accidents. Commission recommended taking “No Action”. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by Sgt. Boeke. Voted 7-0)

**The Traffic Commission elected the officers for the 2017 – 2018 Rockford Traffic Commission and nominated the following:**

1. Chairman Nominee – Leland Carlson  
(Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by D. Ward. Vote 7-0).
2. Vice Chairman Nominee – Doc Ward  
(Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by L. Carlson. Vote 7-0).

The meeting adjourned at 6:43 PM. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by J. Carter.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held:

**June 14, 2017 6:00 PM.**

Rockford City Hall  
425 East State Street  
2nd floor, Conference Room A

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeremy A. Carter, P.E.  
Recording Secretary