

ROCKFORD TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD

Wednesday, September 11, 2019, 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Bissell at 6:01 PM.

**Members Present**

Mr. Don Bissell, Chairman  
Mr. Fred Lierman, Vice Chairman  
Sgt. David Nicosia, Rockford Police Department  
Mr. Mike Rotolo, Rockford Fire Department  
Mr. Mike Slife, Transportation, School District 205  
Mr. Cedrick Ketton, Rockford Mass Transit District  
Mr. Scott Capovilla, Community Development Department  
Mr. Jeremy Carter, Public Works Department

**Members Absent**

Mr. Todd Fagen  
Mr. Michael Smith  
Mr. Dock Ward  
Alderman Joseph Chiarelli, 14<sup>th</sup> Ward

**Also Present**

Mrs. Kerry Lin, Public Works Department

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on August 14, 2019 were approved as submitted.

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

1. Request in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward, by Frank Pobjecky, 2551 Tanglewood Lane, to establish “No Parking Any Time” on all of Tanglewood Lane north of Spring Creek Road. (Commission noted that this item had been laid over from the August Traffic Commission meeting to give the President of the Home Owners Association an opportunity to respond. No response was received. Commission recommended establishing “No Parking Any Time” on the east side of Tanglewood Lane from Spring Creek Road to the north including the cul-de-sac. Motion by M. Rotolo, seconded by F. Lierman, Voted 7-0).
2. Request in the 2nd Ward, from Randy Hargate, 215 Dougherty Place, to establish “No Parking Any Time” on both sides of Dougherty Place from Crosby Street to the end of the road to the south. (J. Carter pointed out that a request for no parking signs had come through Community Development and signs were put up in advance of this meeting. S. Capovilla pointed out that while the roadway is named, it technically is an alley. Commission discussed that the narrow width of the street impacts emergency access. Commission recommended the parking restriction on both sides Dougherty Place from

Crosby Street south to end of the street. Motion by Mike R., seconded by D. Nicosia, Voted 7-0).

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

1. Request in the 4th Ward, from John Harris, Springbrook Home Owners Association, to establish a 3-way stop sign at the intersection of Shaw Woods Drive and Spring Brook Road thus repealing the existing 1-way stop at the intersection of Shaw Woods Drive and Spring Brook Road. (J. Carter presented results from the speed study that was performed along Spring Brook Road which showed that a speed issue does exist. Installation of stop signs at the intersection of Shaw Woods Drive and Spring Brook Road would likely have little impact on speeds outside the limits of the intersection. J. Carter and Alderman Frost have discussed striping a 2’ buffer between the bike and travel lanes which may reduce speeds due to the narrowing of the roadway. Commission recommended taking “No Action” on the stop sign request but did support the buffer striping. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by M. Slife, Voted 7-0).

The meeting adjourned at 6:17 PM. Motion by S. Capovilla, seconded by D. Nicosia.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held:

**October 9, 2019 6:00 PM.**

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

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