

ROCKFORD TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD

Wednesday, September 9, 2009, 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. George Zawislak at 6:03 PM.

**Members Present**

Mr. George Zawislak, Chairman  
Mrs. Cedonia Ahlstrand  
Mr. Dock Ward  
Mr. Leland Carlson  
Mr. Bill Hyde, Rockford Fire Department  
Lieutenant Dane Person, Rockford Police Department  
Mr. Gregg Wilson, Transportation, School District 205  
Mr. Gary McIntyre, Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning  
Mr. Jonah Katz, Planning Division, Community Development Department  
Mr. Jeremy Carter, Public Works Department

**Members Absent**

Mr. Fred Lierman, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Ron Muzzarelli, Rockford Mass Transit District  
Alderman Franklin Beach, 10<sup>th</sup> Ward

**Also Present**

Ms. Adrienne Murphy, 1716 Northrock Ct 61103

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on August 13, 2009, were approved as submitted.

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

1. Request from Adrienne Murphy, Rockford Midland Corp., 1715 Northrock Court, 61103 for "No Parking Anytime" to enforce the covenant agreement at the following locations:
  - a. On both sides of Northrock Drive from Elmwood Rd to Bauer Parkway. (Ms. Murphy discussed how parking in cul-de-sac affected area. Motion by G. McIntyre, seconded by D. Ward. Voted 10-0).
  - b. On both sides of Northrock Court to include the cul-de-sac at each end. (Ms. Murphy discussed how parking in cul-de-sac affected area. Motion by G. McIntyre, seconded by D. Ward. Voted 10-0).

**The Traffic Commission took “No Action” on the following item:**

1. Request from Alderman Johnson, 8<sup>th</sup> Ward for stop sign control at the intersection of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and Pleasant View Avenue. (Discussed that traffic on 23<sup>rd</sup> Street per traffic count appeared higher than expected. Discussion of change in area traffic due to 25<sup>th</sup> Street being changed to cul-de-sac. Motion by G. McIntyre, seconded by J. Carter. Voted 10-0).
2. Request from Alderman Beck, 12<sup>th</sup> Ward for stop sign control at the intersection of Hecker Avenue and Van Wie Avenue. (Discussed low traffic volumes and no accidents at intersection. Motion by G. Wilson, seconded by C. Ahlstrand. Voted 10-0).
3. Request from Alderman Mark, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward for stop sign control at the intersection of 16<sup>th</sup> Street and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue. (G. Wilson discussed two accidents at the intersection that were not listed in packet. Commission discussed that they did not believe there were sight issues or any other issues that contribute to accidents. Motion by G. McIntyre, seconded by C. Ahlstrand. Voted 9-0, G. Wilson Abstaining).
4. Request from Alderman Thompson-Kelly, 7<sup>th</sup> Ward, to repeal the existing 2-way stop and change to 4-way stop sign control at the intersection of Chestnut Street and Henrietta Avenue. (Motion by D. Ward, seconded by G. McIntyre. Voted 10-0).
5. Request from Alderman Thompson-Kelly, 7<sup>th</sup> Ward, for yield or stop sign control at the intersection of Andrews Street and Soper Avenue. (Discussed requesting shrubs get cut down to improve vision triangle. Motion by D. Ward, seconded by G. Wilson. Voted 10-0).
6. Request from staff to reverse the 2-way stop condition at the intersection of Ashland Avenue and Oakley Avenue. (Discussed cars “bottoming” out crossing Oakley. Discussed how currently major road stops for minor road. Motion by D. Person, seconded by G. McIntyre. Voted 10-0).
7. Request from Attorney Jef Heckinger, 417 Ware Avenue, 61114, to repeal the existing “No Parking Any Time” on both sides of Ware Avenue from Argus Drive to Colosseum Drive. (B. Hyde discussed Fire Department concern of getting trucks down Ware, if parking is allowed. Motion by B. Hyde, seconded by J. Carter. Voted 10-0).

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM. Motion by J. Carter, seconded by L. Carlson.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held:

**Wednesday, October 14, 2009 6:00 PM**

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeremy Carter  
Recording Secretary