

ROCKFORD TRAFFIC COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD

Wednesday, February 11, 2009, 6:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. George Zawislak at 6:00 PM.

Members Present

Mr. George Zawislak, Chairman
Mr. Fred Lierman, Vice Chairman
Mrs. Cedonia Ahlstrand
Mr. Gregg Wilson, Transportation, School District 205
Mr. Dock Ward
Mr. Frank Schmitt, Rockford Fire Department
Mr. Gary McIntyre, Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning
Mr. Jonah Katz, Planning Division, Community Development Department
Lieutenant Dane Person, Rockford Police Department
Mr. Ron Muzzarelli, Rockford Mass Transit District
Miss Nina Booker, Public Works Department
Mr. Leland Carlson (*late*)

Members Absent

Alderman Carl Wasco, 4th Ward

Also Present

Alderman Nancy Johnson 8th Ward
Mr. Patrick Zuroske, CIP Manager, Public Works Department
Mr. David Camacho, Project Manager, Public Works Department

The minutes of the last regular meeting held on January 14, 2009, were approved as submitted.

The Traffic Commission approved the following items:

1. Request from Alderman Mark, 3rd Ward for 2-way stop control at Main Street and West State Street as State Street is a designated "Through Street". due to the Downtown Mall Project. (Due to the change in traffic patterns to accommodate the Downtown Mall design, the Commission recommended approval for 2-way stop sign control for traffic entering West State Street. Motion by F. Lierman, seconded by G. McIntyre. Voted 11-0).
2. Request from staff to repeal the existing "One Way Street" for northbound on Grant Avenue from Whitman Street to Napoleon Street, due to the reconstruction of Whitman Street. (Due to the closing of access to Grant Avenue from Whitman Street and making Grant Avenue a cul-de-sac, the Commission recommended approval of 2-way traffic,

northbound and southbound on Grant Avenue from Napoleon Street south to the end, thus repeal the existing one-way condition to take effect upon the completion of the reconstruction project. Motioned by F. Lierman, seconded by G. Wilson. Voted 11-0).

3. Request from Alderman Mark, 3rd Ward for No Parking Any Time on the south side of Franklin Place from N Main Street to the Rock River. (Due to the narrow width of the roadway and the need for emergency vehicle, the Commission recommended approval of the parking restriction. Motioned by G. McIntyre, seconded by G. Wilson. Voted 11-0).
4. Request from Theresa Miller, manager of the Mulford Park Apartments, 444 Gramercy Drive, # 10 , 61108 for “No Parking Any Time” at the following locations:
 - a) On the west side of Bancroft Court from Strathmoor Drive to the end, thus repeal the existing No Parking on the east side parking restriction.
 - b) On the both sides of Gramercy Court from Gramercy Drive to the end.
 - c) On the west side of Gramercy Drive from Strathmoor Drive to the end, thus repeal the existing east side parking restriction.

(Due to the need for on-street parking for tenants and guests, the Commission recommended approval of all the above parking restrictions. Motioned by F. Lierman, seconded by G. Wilson. Voted 11-0).

The Traffic Commission laid over the following items:

1. Request from Fire Station # 11, 2117 Calgary Ct, 61108, for “No Parking Any Time” on the south side of Eastmoreland Avenue from 210 feet to 375 feet west of Alpine Road. (At the suggestion of Alderman Johnson the Commission recommended laying this item over until next months meeting to allow time to gather more information about the situation.)

The meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM. Motion by F. Schmitt, seconded by F. Lierman.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held:

Wednesday, March 11, 2009 6:00 PM

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

Respectfully submitted,

Nina Booker
Interim Recording Secretary