

Warsaw Traffic Safety Commission

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

1:00 p.m.

A regular scheduled meeting of the Warsaw Traffic Safety Commission was held Wednesday, February 1, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. in the Warsaw Police Department training room. **Voting members in attendance were: Joel Beam, Jeff Beeler, Cindy Dobbins, Dirk Felger, Kip Shuter, Jeremy Skinner, and Jack Wilhite.** Connie Fribley and Steve Foster were absent. Ex-Officio members in attendance were: Joe Thallemer (Mayor), and James Emans (City Engineer). Also in attendance were: Justin Taylor (Assistant City Planner), David Slone (Times-Union), and Melissa Sorenson (Ink Free News).

CALL TO ORDER

Kip Shuter called the meeting to order.

ORAL OR WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Minutes of the January 4, 2017, Warsaw Traffic Safety Commission meeting were approved. Jeremy Skinner made motion, seconded by Joel Beam.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **MUTUAL BANK EXIT onto LAKE STREET** – Commission continued its discussion about this visibility issue. Kip Shuter provided photos and measurements of the location as requested from the January meeting. Also provided were diagrams to change to reverse angle and parallel parking options. Again it was noted that this situation is common downtown and one parking space was already removed. Kip Shuter also had parking enforcement monitor the handicap parking space at the end of this row. Documentation for two (2) weeks in January showed that no one parked in this handicap spot. Kip Shuter motioned to take no further action on the parking, except to remove the handicap spot. Jack Wilhite seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
2. **2 HOUR PARKING CHANGE to UNLIMITED - 200 BLOCK W. MARKET** - Jeremy Skinner reported that the sale of the building has not been finalized so the new owners have not been contacted so it was requested that the commission table this. Motion by Dirk Felger and seconded by Joel Beam.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **MEIJER DRIVE OUTLOT (2-WAY TRAFFIC)** – Jeremy Skinner presented a diagram of a proposed restaurant on the North West outlot of Meijer's. The developer is asking that Meijer Lane be widened and a majority of it become 2-way after the entrance curve off Anchorage Road. After discussion, Cindy Dobbins motioned to allow 2-way traffic up to the east parking lot entrances of the proposed site, seconded by Jack Wilhite. Motion passed unanimously. Jeremy Skinner will report back to the developer.
2. **2016 ANNUAL TRAFFIC REPORT** – Kip Shuter presented the annual traffic report for 2016 as required by city ordinance. In 2016, Warsaw Police investigated 1,027 crashes, up 47 from 2015. Police wrote 5,076 citations, and 1,604 parking violations. Cindy Dobbins asked for additional information regarding parking violations for how many tickets went to collections and how many of those were habitual violators. Kip Shuter will obtain the data.

OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

The next regular scheduled meeting – March 1, 2017.

Kip Shuter moved that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kip L. Shuter". The signature is stylized with a large "K" and "S".

Kip L. Shuter
WTSC Administrator