

Warsaw Traffic Safety Commission

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

1:00 p.m.

A scheduled meeting of the Warsaw Traffic Safety Commission was held Wednesday, March 4, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. in the City of Warsaw Council Chambers. **Voting members in attendance were Lance Grubbs, Cindy Dobbins, Jack Wilhite, David Robertson, Jeff Beeler, and Jeremy Skinner** Ex-Officio members in attendance were Mayor Joseph Thallemer, Chief Scott D. Whitaker, and James Emans. Also in attendance was Kory Stoneburner-Betts (Ink Free News), David Slone (Times-Union), Julianne Divine (Growing Kids Learning Center) and Ashlea Burns (Growing Kids Learning Center).

Lance Grubbs called the meeting to order.

ORAL OR WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Minutes of February 5, 2020, meeting was approved, no oppositions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Handicap Parking – 500 block of Market Street and Fribley Field – Jeremy Skinner advised he sent an email to Larry Plummer at the Parks Department but did not get an answer back as of today. It was agreed upon by the Traffic Commission that the matter will be tabled until next month's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

CR 200 N Speed Limit – It was discussed that 200 N is in the city limits from R&B Car Company to Husky Trail (100 E). The Traffic Commission has been asked to review the speed limit in that area. Mayor Thallemer advised when that part of the road was in the county, the speed limit was 55. After annexation of the airport industrial park, the city took over that road and without it being in ordinance form, it is currently 30 mph. Everything not marked in the city is 30 mph. The discussion was does speed limit need to be 30 mph or are there areas that should be stepped down rather than going from 55 mph straight to 30 mph.

Jeremy Skinner advised he received an email about the ordinance but stated he thought the Traffic Commission had approximately six months of discussion on the stop signs and speed limits. It was found the ordinance was completed by the city attorney, Scott Reust, but never brought to the Council in July 2019. The proposed ordinance suggested CR 200 N from US 30 to Boeing, the speed limit shall be 35 mph. From Boeing to 100 N, it was proposed to be 45 mph. Jack Wilhite stated one thing that held up presenting the ordinance to Council was whether the four-ways and three-ways should be labeled as all-way stops.

The commission passed a recommendation for the Council to amend the ordinance pertaining to three-way and four-way stops. A change in language on the state level requires three-way and four-way stops to be redesigned as all-way stops.

Additionally, The commission passed a motion to post signs designating the 30 mph speed limit on the section of E CR 200N that falls within the city limits. A sign designating where E CR 200N exists within the city limits will also be installed. Chief Whitaker advised he would also place the department's speed sign on the road later in the month.

Julianne Divine, director of the Growing Kids Learning Center, which is located on E CR 200N stated there is a need for a lower speed limit as cars drive very fast in the area and there is also a blind curve which poses a risk. She added part of the property where children are present is fenced but because there are up to 200 children at the center, it is a huge concern.

OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

The next regular scheduled meeting – March 31, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned.