

TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes
January 17, 2017

APPROVED
Approved
Rose Flynn
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The January meeting of the TSAB was held at 7 pm on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 in the training room of the municipal building (room 104). Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Present were:

Marty Adler-Jasny, Hannah Oran, Andrew Howe, Melissa McMahan, Ilona Kazocha, Halfen Hoyt, William Polfus, Jane Shelton, Roger Flynn

Absent were:

Jana Humphrey, Tom Carney

1) Minutes from the November 15, 2016 meeting were approved unanimously.

2) State of the Union:

Bill Polphus re-upped and we have Tom Carney as a new member. He's had 35 years of experience in law enforcement and we hope his insights will be a great asset to our board.

Andy Howe opted to not re-up in November in case other citizens wanted to participate on TSAB (this board is a great 'starter board' for those wishing to get involved). But since we still have one slot available Andy will contact the city and re-apply officially.

At our next meeting, we will hold elections for offices.

3) Discussions:

Marty noted the medians along the Turnpike east of Division have many potholes and minimal striping left on their ends which makes them very difficult in rain and at night. What look like puddles can be potholes and some are very well hidden. Roger explained that most of our striping budget is ear-marked for new striping needed after road work is done. Very little is left for maintenance striping due to normal wear and tear.

Ilona pointed out the Jackson Sq fountain has been running non-stop for a few weeks. Roger suspects it was left on to reduce the risk of the pipes freezing up, but he'll look into it.

Marty noticed a streetlight out at the Turnpike and Kroger intersection, which Roger will inspect.

We considered discussing the recent fatality accident on Emory and Lafayette however it's too soon for us to discuss due to lack of knowledge. When the other agencies involved are finished, perhaps we'll have some information that will prompt our involvement.

Ilona noted that getting on the Turnpike at Wisconsin is extremely difficult due to high traffic volume and high speeds. Roger informed us that past studies at the intersection failed to meet the warrants (justification criteria) for a signal, but he will investigate.

Marty informed us strongly on behalf of the Senior Citizens that the new location for the Senior Center is difficult for some seniors to reach by foot. She recommended adding handicap parking as close as possible. She was wondering about improving access through the back, and noted that the dirt track itself is difficult and the proposed golf cart transport idea needs refinement (how does one call the cart from the lot?). She also informed us that the circular drop-off on the front of the building is still too far a walk from the A/B & Club rooms for some seniors to make easily. She reminded us that until you have to use a walker or other

device, you won't understand the difficulty long walking distances bring.

Roger told us movement is occurring on turning the old bank at New York and the Turnpike into a convenience store. Access will likely stay the same, but it's still quite early in the process.

4) We discussed our attendance at the Visioning session planned by the Planning Commission. The event is Jan 26 from 4 to 7:30pm at High Places in the Grove Center and citizens are encouraged to come and provide their needs and desires for positive changes in our community. At least eight different boards and city departments will be there to gather resident feedback.

5) A motion to adjourn was made and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned around 8 pm.

Andrew Howe
TSAB Secretary