

TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
March 19, 2019

APPROVED

The March meeting of the Traffic Safety Advisory Board was held Tuesday, March 19, 2019 in the Training Room of the Municipal Building (Room 104). The meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM.

Present were:

Roger Flynn
Marty Adler-Jasny
Jane Shelton
Melissa McMahan
Ilona Kaczocha
Andrew Howe
Ronald Linkins

Absent were:

Alexis Hammond
Jana Humphrey
William Polfus
Colin Loring

1. The minutes from the February 19, 2019 meeting were approved unanimously with three changes:
 - a. Section 4A: had should be hard
 - b. Section 4A: transfer should be transferring
 - c. Section 4F: developed should be developer
2. Issues or Concerns
 - a. Behind the hospital, near West Magnolia there is an abandoned house. It was supposed to have been sold and something built there, but no development activity seen. Roger shared that the project has started and stopped multiple times and it was intended to be a senior living center. Plans had been approved but are probably now out of date. The owner lives in the area near the house.
 - b. Several intersections with the hard stop lines fading. Cars end up pulling into crosswalks and blocking traffic which makes it hard for pedestrians to cross at intersections.
 - c. The school zone for Woodland on Manhattan is clearly marked on Northwestern and Gettysburg but not marked on Manchester. Roger will let the sign area know, they'd reported it but doesn't look to have been acted upon.
3. Comments or Questions on Roadwork in the City

- a. Tennessee, with the recent paving: Per Roger, they're digging the culvert up as the contractor is looking at fixing that. They'll start working on the other end, weather permitting. Going to have it all taken back out, from concrete west as they're redoing the asphalt. They will do Michigan last after the culvert gets fixed. The work was not acceptable and the contractor is aware.
 - b. Down by the marina on the peninsula there is a rutted area in front of the dumpsters where the trucks come in at. Roger said he'd take a look.
 - c. Regarding the discussion around the request to consider removing the light at Georgia: Traffic counters were up last week, they counted Tulane last week, and we expect to see both studies in the next month or so. Numerically the intersection would probably not warrant a traffic light but it functions well. No problem, not a long wait.
4. Additional Business
 5. Review City Blueprint
 - a. Tulane to 2 lanes, adding a bike lane. Considering slimming the road down to 2 lanes with a bike lane. Was in Blueprint to also have that happen to Rutgers.
 - b. Latest blueprint came out Monday. Looks like it will be presented to city council as a resolution; great deal of citizens input, not just a technical thing, exhibiting the wishes of the people.
 - c. Has to be understood that not everything contained can or may be acted upon.
 - d. Regarding the Rutgers slim down – if they build the apartment complex at the old AMSE, discussion has been around a roundabout, but it may not fit.
 6. Request for New Business Items or Future Briefings
 - a. Police dept visit; if not, let's look at the bike trail and see if we can include that in the next meeting. Looking to see if we can do this in say May or June since several may be out in April.
 7. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm

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