

La Porte City Traffic Commission

The September meeting of the La Porte City Traffic Commission was held at the conference room of the City Police Station on September 12, 2022. The following members were present:

Karyl Feikes – Chairperson
Sarah Ford
Laura Konieczny

Andy Snyder - Secretary
Bill Degnegaard
Paul Vincent

Mike Frazee

The following items summarize the meeting:

1. The minutes of the August 2, 2022 meeting were approved. Motion by Mike Frazee and seconded by Paul Vincent.
2. **There was no Public Comment**
3. The recommendation for the placement of stop signs on two intersections of Whispering Blvd (one at its intersection with Allison Lane and one at its intersection with Ohio St. had not yet made onto the City Council agenda. Andy will check with Nick Otis to see if this can be forwarded to the Council for their first meeting in October.
4. Nick Minich is continuing to work with INDOT regarding the proposed projects involving Indiana Ave. and Pine Lake Ave. There were no additional updates available for this meeting.
5. The Commission will continue to monitor the parking situation and the dangers of pedestrians crossing roadway in the area of The Dunes Event Center on Clear Lake Blvd. Future projects should accommodate pedestrian traffic better. The Dunes Event Center will be ramping up their fall/winter season in October when it is expected the pedestrian traffic will slow down seasonally.
6. The parking study for the City of La Porte is progressing and reaching its completion.
7. Andy will check with Nick Otis to see when the recommendation of granting the vacating of the termination points of Cable St. and Toronto St. to the owner of the property at 66 Toronto St. will be up for City Council consideration.
8. Duane Miller's request to consider no parking on both sides of Waverly Road by the boat launch was discussed by the park superintendent and the Park Board at their monthly meeting. Karyl reported that they are aware of problems with this situation but have not yet been able to formulate a solution. Laura made a motion to take no further action and it was seconded by Paul Vincent. The motion passed unanimously.
9. Karyl reported that the City Council had been presented with the golf cart ordinance for its first reading. It will be considered for its final reading at the September 19th meeting.
10. Amber Spurr of 1419 5th St. attended the meeting to clarify her email request for a stop sign in the area of Colfax Ave and 5th St. She indicated she would like a stop placed on Colfax, both directions at its intersection with Wabash. She sited

excessive speeding and several dangerous incidents which she feels would be minimized if a stop sign were installed. The Commission indicated they would look at the area and discuss it further at the October meeting.

11. A motion was made by Laura Konieczny and seconded by Mike Frazee to recommend that the City Council authorize a stop sign to be placed on Lake Shore Dr. at its intersection with Greenleaf and Illinois Ave. Andy will forward this to Nick Otis.
12. Andy Snyder reported that Cory Dukis of the apartment complex on Jefferson Ave and Perry St. had been in contact with him about a handicap parking space in front of her apartment. She would like the space on the Perry St. side. Andy will contact her and forward more information to the commission members regarding her request before the October meeting.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Sarah Ford and seconded by Paul Vincent.

The next Traffic Commission will be held at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 in the conference room of the City Police Station.

Respectfully submitted,
Andy Snyder, Secretary