

**TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2021
512 W. MAIN ST. – 8:00 A.M.
VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE**

MEMBERS:

Alderman Raffi Ovian, Chairman	Present
Alderman Scott Ferguson	Present
Alderman Edward Dintelman	Present
Alderman Johnnie Anthony	Excused
Alderman Phil Elmore	Present

STAFF SUPPORT:

Michael Velloff, City Engineer	Present
Jason Poole, Director-Public Works	Present
Master Sgt. Rob Rust, Police Dept.	Present
Lisa Scharf, Recording Secretary	Present

GUEST STAFF:

Dean Hardt, City Treasurer

GUESTS:

Alderman Mary Stiehl

Alderman Elmore mentioned (at 7:59 a.m.) that he sent a picture to everyone by email for later discussion.

Alderman Ovian called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Minutes of December 8, 2020 approved as submitted.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

E1. Speeding Issues in Green Mount Manor – Discussion for Four-Way Stop at Commons Parkway, Cedar Grove Dr., & Autumn Harvest: Since the last meeting, Jason Poole and the Traffic secretary reviewed the Traffic Schedule Code Book for this four-way stop sign and there was an existing ordinance already in place. According to the ordinance, this intersection was already supposed to have a four-way stop sign, so the Street Dept. has since installed these signs and the signs are now in place. Mstr. Sgt. Rust agreed that there should be a stop sign here to help with the existing speeding problems and is now waiting on information for specific times for the Police Dept. to monitor this area. Ald. Stiehl stated that Mascoutah School District is back in session and school ends every day at around 3:15-3:30 p.m. as Ald. Elmore indicated that they are at around 40-50% attendance. (with COVID & remote learning) Ald. Elmore stated that the neighborhood kids are walking to school around 7:45 a.m., so between 7:50 a.m.-8:20 a.m. and 2:45 p.m.–3:30/3:45 p.m. (upon availability) would be good time frames for the Police Dept. to monitor drivers speeding in this

area. Ald. Elmore stated that he moderated their Neighborhood Watch Meeting on zoom and it was very productive with the help of Jason Poole and his sign contractor. They made a "rough artwork" of a sign and mentioned that if they had ten families that would donate \$7.50 each, they could post a couple of these signs in the neighborhood. They are bright yellow signs that read "Smile! Drive Like Your Children Live Here" with a picture of a video surveillance camera on top of the sign. The neighborhood was so happy with these signs, per Ald. Elmore, that they went to the Homeowners' Association and asked them to pay for the signs. The Homeowners' Association agreed to purchase (4) four of these cautionary signs, which will be installed by the Street Department per Jason Poole at the City's discretion. Ald. Ovian expressed appreciation to all parties involved in getting this accomplished for the neighborhood.

NEW BUSINESS:

F1. None

MISCELLANEOUS/ALDERMANIC DISCUSSION:

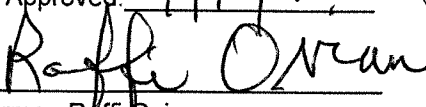
Additional speed limit signs have been posted on Gettysburg Rd. per Jason Poole as requested, as well as the street signs that have been posted at 161 & Highridge Dr. In addition, Ald. Elmore noted for the record that Wingate School, that is adjacent to Greenmount Manor, ends their daily school session at 2 p.m. (during COVID).

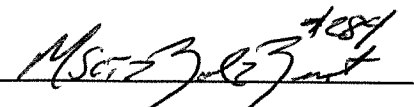
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Ald. Elmore, seconded by Ald. Ferguson, roll call vote occurred. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Lisa Scharf
Recording Secretary

Date Approved: 4/13/2021

Alderman Raffi Orian
Traffic Committee Chairman

EXCUSED
Jason Poole
Director of Public Works

Master Sgt. Rob Rust
Belleville Police Department