

Minutes of the Transportation Commission Meeting Held on Tuesday, March 19, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 106 at the Community Recreation Center, 3000 Glenview Road, Wilmette, Illinois 60091

Members Present: Neil Ferrari
Andrew Hansen
Barbara Lusky
Steve Schlickman
Alan Swanson, Chairman
Roger Teal

Members Absent: Amy Panici

Staff Present: Jorge Cruz, P.E., Civil Engineer
Linda Reilley, Engineering Assistant
Officer Ron Drag, Police Department

Also Present: John LaPlante, T.Y. Lin International
Ryan Abbotts, T.Y. Lin International
Nancy Schofer, Chairperson,
Bicycle Task Force
"Bud" Riley, Bicycle Task Force
Lou Bluestein, Bicycle Task Force
Mike Pechnyo, Bicycle Task Force

Call to Order at 7:30PM

1. Re-review of corrected January 21, 2002 Minutes

The corrected minutes were approved at the February 19, 2002 meeting.

2. Approval of the February 19, 2002 Minutes

Motion to approve the February 19, 2002 minutes

Motion by: *Commissioner Hansen*

Second: *Commissioner Ferrari*

Action: Approved by unanimous voice vote

3. Presentation of Bicycle Task Force Pending Issues

- **Chairman Swanson** recognized Bicycle Task Force Members who were present, noting that they were requesting Brown Route Signage endorsement and recommendation to the Village Board.
- The **Chairman** recognized **John LaPlante**, the Village's consultant, who presented the proposed signage. During discussion, **Commissioner Lusky** suggested the inclusion of signage warning cyclists to yield to pedestrians at the Community Playfield and McKenzie School. **Commissioner Ferrari** suggested that the Village should supply and offer to install the signs that are needed in Glenview.
- **Chairman Swanson** directed Staff to contact the Village of Glenview and make the offer. The Chairman suggested placement of supplemental signage on Hunter Road identifying Centennial Pool; on Glenview at Laramie identifying the New Trier West Campus and Avoca School; on Poplar at Wilmette Avenue identifying the Green Bay Trail; and, on Greenleaf near Fourth Street identifying the C.T.A.
- **Nancy Schofer** suggested the substitution of "Village Center" for "Downtown" on the signs because most people recognize it as such.
- When **Commissioner Schlickman** expressed concern that the signs meet a standard, **John LaPlante** assured the Commission that the signs meet the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials [AASHTO] guidelines.

Motion to recommend that the Village Board authorize Brown [Bicycle] Route Signage and installation per drawings provided by the Village's consultant, T.Y. Lin International; and, to include supplemental signs as part of the signage plan.

Motion by: *Commissioner Lusky*

Second: *Commissioner Schlickman*

Action: Approved by unanimous voice vote.

- **Chairman Swanson** segued to discussion of the Task Force recommendation that the Village Board authorize preparation, printing and distribution of a bicycle route map. The **Chairman** asked if funds had already been budgeted.
- **Linda Reilley** informed those present that the Engineering Department has included the production costs in its Professional Services account of the current budget.
- **Mr. LaPlante** confirmed that the anticipated cost of producing the map would be \$7,642. Mr. LaPlante indicated that printing costs are about \$1,500 for 500 copies.
- A suggestion to solicit sponsorship contributions from local Bicycle Shops and the Wilmette Park District in exchange for placement on the map was discussed as a possible source of alternative funding. Discussion of making the map available on the Village website, at local Bicycle Shops and Park District facilities.

Motion to recommend that the Village Board authorize expenditure of funds for the development, printing and distribution of a map of recommended Bicycle routes with the stipulation that, prior to production, the Transportation Commission will review and approve the final draft; and, that the Engineering Department work with the Northwest Municipal Conference to incorporate the Village Bicycle Map into the regional map of cycling facilities that is being developed.

Motion by: *Commissioner Schlickman*

Second: *Commissioner Teal*

Action: Approved by unanimous voice vote.

4. Feedback

Chairman Swanson thanked everyone for their input and invited residents to complete a Commission survey.

5. Old Business / Pending Matters / Next Meeting

- Turning to the Locust Road traffic calming issue for follow-up discussion, **Chairman Swanson** informed those present that there is now a 61% consensus in favor of traffic calming.
- The Commissioners briefly discussed the installation of the three speed humps, without the traffic circle as originally proposed.

Motion to defer the installation of a traffic circle at Iroquois and Locust, and install three parabolic speed humps and the white edge-line.

Motion by: *Commissioner Teal*

Second: *Commissioner Lusky*

Action: Approved by unanimous voice vote.

- **Chairman Swanson** directed Staff to notify residents of the Commission's decision. Discussion of where to install a traffic circle was continued to the Commission's next meeting.
- The Commission scheduled its next meeting for May 21, 2002 and will discuss school crossing guard locations and review the existing list of traffic calming locations.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Motion to adjourn

Motion by: *Commissioner Ferrari*

Second: *Commissioner Schlickman*

Action: **Approved by unanimous voice vote**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda Reilley and Jorge Cruz