

City of Norwich
TRAFFIC COMMISSION MINUTES
City Hall
June 14, 2017

Members Present

Judie Wright
Richard Natoli
Ward
Linda Hanson
9/Regional Safety Evaluation Engineer
Frank Revoir
Christine Edwards
Eric Warren
Terri Grey-Wessals

Others Present

Media: None
Guest: Alderman Matthew Caldwell,

Danielle Besso, NYSDOT Reg.

Absent Members

Brian Doliver

Chairperson Judie Wright called the meeting to order at 8:40 pm. A quorum was present. There was a motion by Frank Revoir to accept the minutes from the March 2017 meeting, seconded by Christine Edwards. All in Favor.

Correspondence:

Both guest speakers spoke prior to the meeting.

Alderman Caldwell spoke to the commission about an on-going issue with motorist speeding on Locust Street. A request was made by Alderman Caldwell to remove the No Parking signs on the east side of Locust Street between Hayes Street and Eaton Ave. allowing residents to park on both side of the street. Commission discussed the issue and recommended a study to collect data with the police department's speed trailer with the No Parking signs uncovered and also covered to see if this makes a significance different in the speeds. Also Alderman Caldwell questioned the width of the left turn lane on West Main at the Main Four.

7:10-8:45 p.m. Danielle Besso provided an educational briefing on what the NYS Dept. of Transportation has planned for the crosswalks on North and South Broad Street in the City of Norwich. See attached picture labeled a typical uncontrolled marked crosswalk basic package. This basic crosswalk would cover the crosswalks at McDonalds to South Broad St. Park, So. Broad/Beebe Ave., Front St./So Broad St., American Ave./South Broad St., West Park Pl./No. Broad St., Mechanic St./North Broad St., Cortland/North Broad St., Newton Ave./North Broad St.

Danielle also stated she had authorized the upgraded crosswalk signage on Pleasant/Miller Street and it has been put into place prior to her briefing.

Mayor Carnrike requested the commission review the parking issue on Birdsall Street between Brown Ave. and Front Street. Residents are concerned with the parking in the street blocking driveways in the area.

Old Business:

- The crosswalk on South Broad St. and Front concerning NBT will be addressed by NYS DOT during the crosswalk project.
- The stop lines and the turning lanes at the main four causing commercial traffic difficulties will be addressed by NYS DOT.
- The members discussed the possibility of changing one small street light post to LED near the crosswalk next to Nina's and one small light post on North Broad St. at the crosswalk of Howard Johnson. This change would give members an opportunity to see if the LED made a difference in motorist seeing pedestrians crossing at the crosswalks. Christine Edwards made a motion for the change, seconded by Richard Natoli. All in favor. Forwarded to the Council for review.
- Members discussed finding ways to educate the public on the proper etiquette when stopped at a four way stop. Request to be forward to the County Traffic Safety Board for a possible public message.

New Business:

- Frank Revoir made a motion to accept the Enhanced Pedestrians lights from NYSDOT, second by Hanson. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Richard Natoli to adjourn the meeting, seconded by, Frank Revoir meeting adjourned at 9:31 pm. Next meeting will be September 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.