

City of Norwich
TRAFFIC COMMISSION MINUTES
City Court
February 10, 2021
Zoom Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Eric Warren Chairperson
Linda Hanson
Christine Edwards
Fred Gee
Mike Hepfer
Judi Wright
Frank Revoir

OTHERS PRESENT:

Media: None
Guest: Robert Baker,
Chenango Greenway Conservancy
Member

Absent/Excused:

Richard Natoli

Chairperson Eric Warren called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. A quorum was present. Motion by Fred Gee to accept the minutes from January 13, 2021 meeting, Seconded by Mike Hepfer. All in favor.

Correspondence:

Mr. Robert Baker, Chenango Greenway Conservancy Member present via Zoom. (see under new business)

Mayor Shawn Sastri received a request from Tracy Chawgo requesting the police parking space on South Broad St. in front of the Colonia Theater be removed and replaced with a handicap parking space. (see under new business)

Old Business:

- ACP Burlison reports NYS DOT has received the request and will conduct a review of the stop bar location at the intersection of Pleasant/North Broad St.

- Members discussed the parking issue on the south end of State Street and a motion was made by Fred Gee to post “No Parking on the east side of State St. from Mitchell St. north, 50’ north of the entrance into Cobbler Square, seconded by Judi Wright. All in favor. The recommendation was forwarded to the Common Council.
- Members discussed a solution to the Griffin Street parking complaint. The owner of 26 Griffin St. reported patrons from the Ontario Restaurant sometimes block the driveway of 26 Griffin St. Members discussed marking the street for two parking slots only, one of them being a handicapped slot and a regular parking slot. Chairperson Eric Warren to contact Cindy at the Ontario before any action is taken. Update: Members were given the length of the area to be used for handicap parking and it was tabled until more information could be obtained on the handicap requirements from Ed Pepe.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mr. Robert Baker, Chenango Greenway Conservancy member, present via Zoom with 5 slides requesting a start point to the following items.

Slide #1 & 2 Request for signage/crosswalks for the following streets (Sheldon, Mitchell, Gold, Rexford Streets) allowing safe passage for non-motorist (walkers/bicyclist) crossing the street leading onto the next portion of the railroad tracks allowing people access to the Greenway, north of Rexford St.

Slide # 3 Request for the placement of directional signage on the north end of the Chenango Co. Highway Department guiding trail users to the trail head.

Slide # 4 Request for crosswalk/signage at the Hale St. bridge warning motorist of walkers/bicyclist crossing Hale St. to continuing onto the Greenbelt trail.

Slide# 5 Request assistance with a parking lot (stone dust) and directional signage at the end of Sheldon St. where a Patsy’s Riverview park will be established.

The maps can also be viewed on MTB project.com, search Norwich, NY.

- Members continued to discuss making the parking space that is currently police parking on South Broad St in front of the Colonial Theater a handicapped parking space. Members wanted more information on the requirements to make it a handicapped space. ACP Burlison will contact Ed Pepe on the requirements.

Motion by Fred Gee to adjourn meeting, seconded by Mike Hepfer, meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Next meeting will be the second Wednesday of the month, Wednesday, **March 10**, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via a Zoom.