

City of Norwich
TRAFFIC COMMISSION MINUTES
City Hall
June 8, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Eric Warren, Chairperson
Linda Hanson
Richard Natoli
Alderman Fred Gee
Mike Hepfer
Paul Eaton
Frank Revoir
Christine Edwards

OTHERS PRESENT:

Media: None
Guest:
Sharon Pelosi, Chenango Greenway
William Loomis, Norwich City School
bus driver

Absent/Excused:

Judi Wright
Kalista Sutton

Chairperson Eric Warren called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. A quorum was present. Motion by Richard Natoli to accept the minutes from the May 11, 2022, meeting, Seconded by Paul Eaton. All in favor.

Correspondence:

- Received an email from Sharon Pelosi requesting to speak at this meeting, regarding signage for the parking area on the East end of Sheldon Street for the Chenango Greenway Conservancy.
- William Loomis requested the commission review the parking issue on Beebe Ave. during the start and end of the school day. When people park on Beebe Ave. it restricts the bus traffic.

Old Business:

- ACP Burlison contacted family court and they were not in full session, but they have a lot of foot traffic in and out of the court, employee's use the parking lot and patients seeing the foot doctor use the parking lot. Item Tabled until court is in full session, June 2022. Members discussed the request for a crosswalk on Eaton Ave. leading from the

Eaton Center to the parking lot across the street. The members tabled the idea, requesting more information on the requirements to install a crosswalk. ACP Burlison to contact Ed Pepe for the information about signage and street painting. Request is on hold until court is in full session.

- No Updates, awaiting a response from Norwich Rehab. ACP Burlison recontacted Norwich Rehab. and the former facility manager has left, and the new facility manager Mike Osterhout stated the request for the stop sign was forwarded to the Director.
- ACP Burlison attempted to contact Lance Bolster with negative contact. The tractor has not been parked on Cortland St. since the last meeting and this item will be removed. Members discussed the issue of a tractor parking on Cortland St. restricting the surrounding residents when they are attempting to pull out of their driveways. ACP Burlison and Chairperson Eric Warren to set up a meeting with the driver of the tractor to work on a resolution
- Update: ACP Burlison hand delivered letters to all the residents that could be affected by the no parking on the south side of Pleasant St., per the request of the common council. The letter stated the residents have a right to speak at the June common council meeting. Motion by Frank Revoir to prohibit parking on both sides of Pleasant Street between Miller and King St., seconded by Judi Wright. 8 aye, 1 nay. This item will be forwarded to common council.
- Update: ACP Burlison was unable to attend the county traffic meeting. Alderman Fred Gee reports a Fair St. resident reports they were almost struck in the West Main St. crosswalk by a vehicle coming into the city from Co. Rt. 10A. Members discussed the speed of the traffic coming in from 10A. ACP Burlison reports he will bring this up at the next Chenango County Traffic meeting and work on some type of solution. The speed of the traffic coming into the city also affects motorist turning east onto W. Main St. from Canasawacta St.
- Members request a follow-up on the proposed American Ave. project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sharon Pelosi, representing Chenango Greenway Conservancy, requested one sign directing people to the Patsy Smith area overlooking the Chenango River at the east end of Sheldon St. Paul Eaton made a motion to approve the sign, seconded by Mike Hepfer. All in favor. Motion sent to Common Council.

William Loomis present speaking as a City of Norwich substitute bus driver requesting the commission review the parking on Beebe Ave during the start and end of the school day. Mr. Loomis reports parents are standing/parked on the northside of Beebe Ave. waiting to pick there children up from school. This causes a grid lock and dangerous situation for bus drivers attempting to pick up children. Members discussed the issue and Eric is going to contact the school superintendent, Scott Ryan to gain some more background on the issue.

Motion by Mike Hepfer to adjourn meeting, seconded by Frank Revoir, meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m. Next meeting will be the second Wednesday of the month, Wednesday, **September 14, 2022**, at 7:00 p.m.