

**Safety Services Committee
Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2021**

Mr. Mitchell called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Present: Kyle Mitchell, Lisa Evans and Ben Redman

Staff: City Manager, Michael Doss

Visitors: Several residents

Proceedings: *Approve the proceedings from the April 5, 2021 Safety Services Committee Minutes. Mr. Redman made a motion to approve. Seconded by Mr. Mitchel. Mrs. Evans abstained*

Truck Weight Limits and Proposed Ordinance 2021-80

Mr. Doss stated that City Law Director Mike Minniear drafted language for a proposed ordinance related to amending Section 351.07 regarding parking and storage of vehicles. Mr. Doss said that the language in the proposed ordinance only pertains to parking and storage and does not pertain to the use of local streets which is set forth in 339.02. The language increases the gross vehicle weight for semitrailers and trucks from 10,000 pounds to 14,000 pounds.

Mrs. Evans stated that this is the same weight increase that has been discussed in prior Safety Services Committee meetings. Mr. Mitchell affirmed.

Mr. Doss mentioned that this draft language does not include any items addressing recreational vehicles (RVs) and that Mr. Minniear and Ms. Holbrook were working on draft language for that subject.

Without further Committee discussion....

The Committee agree to recommend that the Law Director draft an ordinance amending Section 351.07 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Milford regarding parking and storage of vehicles increasing the GVWR for semitrailers and trucks to 14,000 pounds.

Pedestrian Crossing and Red -light Stoppage at SR 126/US50 Discussion

Mr. Redman presented a topic mentioned by a citizen at a previous City Council meeting regarding pedestrian/bicycle safety concerns involving vehicles at the intersection of SR 126/US 50.

Mr. Doss stated that several improvements were recently made at the intersection including a four-way stop crosswalk signal relay for pedestrians and bicyclists as well as signage indicating yield to pedestrians. Mr. Doss indicated that since both roads are State routes, vehicles must stop at a red light before turning right on red at all intersection areas. Mr. Doss stated that he spoke to Chief Jamey Mills about the situation and Chief Mills affirmed that ODOT concluded that motorist can perform a right on red at that intersection. Mr. Doss believes that the issue is likely related to motorist not adhering to the traffic laws and yielding to pedestrians at the intersection red lights.

Darryl Donovan stated that the turn signal coming from the Indian Hill area across the bridge doesn't hold very long and stops up traffic during peak times.

Rebecca Shundich spoke about cars not even stopping at the red light crossing the bridge into Milford.

Mr. Doss believes that the issue is likely related to motorist not adhering to the traffic laws and yielding to pedestrians at the intersection red lights.

The committee recommended that Mr. Doss have a conversation with Chief Mills about providing some type of police presence to monitor any vehicles not stopping before turning during a red light.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m. with a motion from Mr. Redman, Seconded by Mrs. Evans. All agreed.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Doss, City Manager

“These minutes have been approved and adopted by Mr. Mitchell, Mrs. Evans and Mr. Redman on April 17, 2021”