

**CITY OF PEKIN TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES
DECEMBER 7, 2012 @ 8:30 a.m.
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM**

PRESENT: Greg Nelson, Joe Wuellner, Kurt Nelson, Tim Gillespie, Bob Shaw, Mike Guerra, Will Taylor. Also present: Bill Scarcliff, Lee Ann Wrhel.

Joe made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Will seconded. All in favor.

Tim made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2012 meeting. Kurt seconded. All in favor.

Steve Heisel, 2111 Mariana Drive, heisel1@comcast.net, attended the meeting to voice his concerns with vehicles parked on streets (he particularly mentioned areas in Sunset Hills subdivision). He feels that a 2:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m. citywide parking ban would force people to find somewhere else to park. Streets are made for travel, not parking.

Greg informed him that the committee is currently looking at the narrow street issue and overall street parking in the city. One of the things that needs to be addressed, prior to making a recommendation, is how to accommodate for exceptions.

Old Business:

1. Citywide Review of Narrow Street Parking Restrictions

Greg reported that there were some responses from council members to the email he sent out to them asking for input on this subject. After a discussion of ideas, Joe made a motion for the committee to first focus on language to ban vehicles from parking on streets overnight and developing criteria for a permit process for those households with no access to off-street parking. Mike seconded the motion. All in favor. Mike will research criteria for a permit process. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

2. No Parking Request 1836 Vienna Ct.

Greg contacted the Postmaster regarding their regulations on ingress and egress. Restricting parking 15 feet on either side of mailboxes would work best for mail delivery access. This will be further researched and discussed again at the next meeting.

New Business:

1. "No Parking Here to Corner" sign request Veerman @ Willow

Joe made a motion to make a recommendation to City Council for "No Parking Here to Corner" on Veerman at Willow. Kurt seconded the motion. All in favor.

2. "No Parking" sign request – Starcevich Ct.

With vehicles parked on both sides of this street, it is impossible for solid waste trucks to have access for garbage pick up. Joe made a motion to

make a recommendation to City Council for no parking on the north side of Starceвич Ct. from S. 6th St. to the cul-de-sac. Will seconded the motion. All in favor.

3. *4-Way Stop Sign request – Matilda & N. 5th St.*

This is an enforcement issue. Will made a motion to leave this area as is at this time. Bill seconded the motion. All in favor.

4. *Thru traffic – East Court Village*

The citizen who called in this request did not provide any details of his concern and did not attend the meeting. Therefore, this item was passed.

5. *Turn signal timing – Park Ave. @ 14th street*

The citizen who called in this request did not provide any details of his concern and did not attend the meeting. Therefore, this item was passed.

6. *Speed Bump Request – Market Street*

This is an enforcement issue. Will made a motion leave the area as is at this time. Joe seconded the motion. All in favor.

7. *Crosswalk Request – Grace Baptist Church*

Pastor Justus had met with Greg regarding this request. The church has a growing congregation and very limited parking. They have purchased the lot next to their property, however, it will only add 8 parking spaces. They have permission to park in the 14th Street Hardware lot and another lot across 14th Street from the church. They are asking for a painted crosswalk on Derby at Black and at the intersection of Derby and 14th Street. The crosswalk request at Derby and Black will not be granted. Joe made a motion for a crosswalk to be painted at the intersection of Derby and 14th Street in the spring when the street department will be painting crosswalks again. Will seconded the motion. All in favor.

Around the Table

Bill brought a request from the bus department for “No Parking Here to Corner” on Haynes at St. Joseph Ct. It is very difficult for busses to maneuver in that location when vehicles are parked too close to the corner. This will be addressed at the next meeting.

Kurt asked about the “No Turn on Red” sign on 10th Street for vehicles turning east onto Court Street. The sign is in place due to the visibility issue with the wall in front of the CVS parking lot.

Mike stated that a street light will be installed at the intersection of Hanna and S. 14th Street. The name will officially change from Petri Lane to Hanna Drive on December 10, 2012. In the future, consideration will be given to installation of lights at the curves in the road.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lee Ann Wrhel

NEXT REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 4, 2013 @ 8:30 A.M.