

CITY OF PEKIN TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES
May 2, 2014 @ 8:30 a.m.
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Greg Nelson, Joe Wuellner, Kurt Nelson, Ron Mayeur, Will Taylor, Mike Guerra.
Also present: Jim Kaminski, Bill Scarcliff, Lee Ann Wrhel.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

Approval of Agenda – Will, seconded by Ron

Approval of Minutes of meeting of April 4, 2014 – Ron, seconded by Will

Old Business:

None

New Business:

1. *Handicapped Parking Space Request – 352 S. Capitol St.*

The committee is in receipt of the proper form signed off by the resident's doctor. There was discussion regarding whether this parking space would be exempt from a snow ban. Greg will get clarification after the meeting. Ron made a motion to make a recommendation to City Council to designate a handicapped parking space in front of 352 S. Capitol St. per the signed request from the resident's doctor. Kurt seconded. All in favor. After the meeting Greg forwarded the relevant section of the Snow Ban parking code to clarify the discussion from the meeting. It follows:

3. EFFECT OF CONFLICTING PROVISION OF LAW

Any provision of this ordinance shall, while temporarily in effect, take precedence over any conflicting provisions of law normally in effect, with the exception of provisions of law relating to traffic accidents, emergency travel of authorized emergency vehicles and emergency traffic directions of a police officer.

2. *No Parking Sign Request – Intersection of Matilda St. and Earl St.*

The whole block of Matilda in this location is listed in the code as a school bus loading/parking zone. A school bus loading/parking zone sign will be installed on Matilda St. near Earl St.

3. *Deaf Children Playing Sign Request – Sierra Dr.*

Greg had forwarded the committee the letter from IDOT explaining their stand of not recommending deaf child signs. After discussion of this topic, Will made a motion to table this item to the next meeting. Kurt seconded. All in favor. Lee Ann will call the citizen and notify them of the status of the request. This item will be on the next meeting to establish a general recommendation for these types of requests going forward into the future.

4. *Joint Committee/Council Meeting*

Greg will contact city council requesting a joint meeting to discuss restricted parking. The suggested dates will be either Monday, May 19th or Monday, June 2nd. If neither of those dates will work out, a Tuesday or Thursday evening will be considered.

Around the Table

Will reported that Arrow, Schramm and Sierra have been monitored in response to the recent requests from citizens regarding speeding in those locations. No issues have been observed. Patrol is making an effort to continue to monitor traffic in these locations. He also reported that details are being worked at the H.A.W.K. signal on Parkway. He noted that walkers need to wait until the walk signal is active before walking across the street. It would be helpful to get this message out to the high school.

There was a request that came in too late for the agenda asking for crosswalk markings on 6th Street where children are dropped off for school. Jim checked the area, and it is unclear what the citizen is asking. He will contact the citizen who made the request to get clarification of the request and this will be addressed at the next meeting.

Mike reminded everyone that there are a number of temporary road closings coming up due to road construction.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lee Ann Wrhel

NEXT REGULAR MEETING JUNE 6, 2014 @ 8:30 A.M.