



**CITY OF NAPERVILLE
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – MUNICIPAL CENTER**

**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
September 7, 2017**

Unofficial prior to the TAB approval. Approved by the TAB on X/XX/17.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

The TAB meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL:

Present: DiGiovine-Gehrs, Fischer, Gustin, Howenstine, Melaniphy, Montgomery, Overholt, Preissig, Seeberg

Absent: None

Staff Members: Andy Hynes, Kelly Dunne, Derek Zook

C. PUBLIC FORUM:

Michael Roth, Ice Miller LLP, 2300 Cabot Drive, Lisle, IL

Mr. Roth served as representation for Mr. Thomas Lebamoff of 27W438 Knoch Knolls Road in unincorporated Naperville. Mr. Roth expressed his client's objection and concerns to sidewalk being placed across the property and requested that the Knoch Knolls location be excluded from the program. Mr. Roth stated that building new sidewalk in this location is unnecessary and that utilizing crosswalks along Knoch Knolls Road would be an appropriate alternative. He cited concerns for his client's driveway, parkway trees, and the proposed sidewalk's proximity to the roadway.

Mr. Preissig stated that TAB would respond to these concerns after the presentation for the 2018 Annual New Sidewalk Program.

D. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approve the minutes of the July 6, 2017 Transportation Advisory Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Melaniphy, seconded by DiGiovine-Gehrs, to approve the meeting minutes of July 6, 2017.

Ayes: DiGiovine-Gehrs, Fischer, Gustin, Howenstine, Melaniphy, Preissig

Nays: None
Abstain: Montgomery, Overholt, Seeberg

Motion approved (6-0).

3. Presentation of the Police Department Report

Sergeant Zook reported that the Police have been focusing on enforcement around schools, specifically parking and speeding. Throughout their Labor Day campaign, 5 DUIs and 62 seatbelt citations were issued.

4. Approve the recommendation establishing the 2018 Annual New Sidewalk Program

Dunne provided a presentation on the eight locations proposed for the 2018 Annual New Sidewalk Program.

Public Comment:

Michael Roth, Ice Miller LLP, 2300 Cabot Drive, Lisle, IL
Mr. Roth restated objection to the Knoch Knolls location, citing that there is already sidewalk on the other side of the street, that this location would be expensive due to the relocation of street lights and elevation changes, and that TAB should take public input into consideration.

Fischer asked and Dunne confirmed that no trees or utilities would have to be relocated. Fischer stated support for this location given the proximity to Spring Brook Elementary School and the traffic characteristics of Knoch Knolls Road. Seeberg questioned if City staff seeks positive feedback from residents for this program. Dunne explained that all properties along the gap segment are invited to TAB.

Gustin asked if all properties in the near-term pool were notified and if TAB would have the opportunity to substitute locations on the 2018 list with locations from the near-term pool. Dunne replied that only the properties on the 2018 list were notified of this meeting, and that TAB may choose the near-term locations as alternatives. Gustin asked if TAB should designate back-up locations for City Council and Dunne responded that staff would prefer a full recommendation from TAB.

Gustin questioned why the Knoch Knolls location was placed on the 2018 list while other locations from the near-term pool were not. Dunne explained that the benefits of this location outweighed the resident opposition. Seeberg and Melaniphy expressed their support for the Knoch Knolls location.

Gustin asked if proximity to the school was taken into account for this location. Dunne could not confirm if the location is within a quarter-mile of the school, but explained that the intent of the quarter-mile criteria is to encompass areas where students are most likely to be walking. Dunne noted that students may potentially benefit from the installation of this location.

Josh Foxson, 416 S. Loomis

Mr. Foxson stated his support of sidewalk on Loomis Street and noted the safety benefits it would provide for children walking.

Sherry Holdeman, 10S383 Book Road

Ms. Holdeman expressed her concerns about impacts to her property, specifically trees and her mailbox. She stated that it would be beneficial to fully understand the impacts to her property before moving forward with the program.

Preissig noted that Wheatland Township agreed to a 50% cost-share at this location. Dunne explained the potential alignment for sidewalk at this location and confirmed that the trees would not be impacted. Dunne elaborated on the design process and property owner coordination going forward. Melaniphy expressed his support for this location.

Gustin questioned and Dunne answered that there is not a cost-share for the unincorporated properties on Knoch Knolls because Knoch Knolls Road is the City's right-of-way. Gustin questioned and Dunne answered that there would not be a recapture for the sidewalk placed across the vacant, incorporated lots on Knoch Knolls Road. Howenstine asked about the cost to build sidewalk on the incorporated lots.

Dunne elaborated on the schedule and timeline from TAB recommendation until new sidewalk construction. DiGiovine-Gehrs expressed concerns that the proposed sidewalk on the south side of Douglas may encourage Washington Junior High students to cross the roadway mid-block. Dunne explained that the buses drop off on the north side, where the school is, and that the south side is not a drop off zone.

A motion was made by Fischer, seconded by Melaniphy, to approve the recommendation establishing the 2018 Annual New Sidewalk Program.

Ayes: DiGiovine-Gehrs, Fischer, Howenstine, Melaniphy, Montgomery, Overholt, Preissig, Seeberg

Nays: Gustin

Motion approved (8-1).

E. OLD BUSINESS:

Gustin requested an update on the Burlington Fund and if railroad overpass work would be eligible to use those funds. Hynes stated that he would ascertain the specific uses for the Fund.

Montgomery requested an update for a previous traffic concern on Devonshire Ct due to Ribfest. Hynes stated that the Rotary Club was made aware of the concern and that he had not heard any updates.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

Howenstine suggested that it would be beneficial to have the sidewalk program conducted as a line item vote. Gustin agreed that this would be helpful and also that TAB could provide City Council with alternative locations.

G. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:54 p.m. a motion was made by Melaniphy, seconded by Gustin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved (9-0).

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