TRAFFIC SAFETY MEETING May 4, 2021

The Traffic Safety Commission met in person at 3315 Ridge Road, Highland Police Dept. Chief Hojnicki called the meeting to order at 8:15 A.M.

Roll Call:

Peter T. Hojnicki, Chief of Police

John E Banasiak, Commander Police Department

Mark Knesek, Public Works Director

Also present:

Robyn Pappenheim, Project Engineer of DVG Team, Inc.

Tom Black, Councilman

Steve Jurczak. Police Commissioner

William Timmer, Fire Chief

Guests present:

Councilman Mark Herak

Alex Brown, Superintendent Park Dept. Kathy DeGuilio-Fox, Redevelopment Director

Mitch Barloga, Nirpc Representative Dennis Cobb, 1st Group Engineering Michael Griffin, Clerk-Treasurer Carlos Arburto, Park Dept. President

Much discussion was had with all present regarding the Hawk Signal with many questions still unanswered. This item was tabled, until the Special meeting which will be on May 18th at 8AM. A traffic study was requested as to what/if any improvements are recommended to Kennedy /Jewett and Kennedy/Wicker intersections. Redevelopment Director De Guilio-Fox is to bring the downtown business districts into the mix to determine their concerns/desires should Jewett Ave traffic be re-designed.

A motion was made by Fire Chief Timmer and seconded by Public Works Director Mark Knesek with the Traffic Safety Commission concurring to have signage posted at the new exit/entry off of Kennedy Avenue from the new Chamber lot, indicating "Right Turn Only" with the Town Ordinance as well as enforcement, as you exit and lane markings as well and ground painting indicating the same.

Public Works Director Mark Knesek, provided quotes (\$141,898 for all) for the upgrade of the intersection signals with battery back-up for all non-state signals not already equipped, LED lights and Pedestrian countdown. A motion was made by Commander John Banasiak and seconded by Police Commissioner Steve Jurczak with the Traffic Safety Commission concurring for the purchases to be made with the Cares Act Funds.

Other Business:

Public Works Director Knesek stated at the 45th/Delaware exit from the parking lot of the small strip mall, vehicles are not exiting onto the correct side of the grassy median. A motion was made by PW Director Knesek and seconded by Fire Chief Timmer with the Traffic Safety commission concurring to have signage posted at the exit for "Right Turn Only" and the Town Ordinance listed.

Police Commissioner Jurczak asked PW Director Knesek to look into any Grants for railroad crossings.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:57 am.