

TRAFFIC SAFETY MEETING
October 5, 2021

The Traffic Safety Commission met in person at 3315 Ridge Road, Highland Police Dept. Chief Hojnicky called the meeting to order at 8:01 A.M.

Roll Call: Peter T. Hojnicky, Chief of Police
John E Banasiak, Commander Police Department
Robyn Pappenheim, Project Engineer of DVG Team, Inc.
Mark Knesek, Public Works Director
Steve Jurczak, Police Commissioner
William Timmer, Fire Chief
Absent: Tom Black, Councilman
Also present: SRO Richard Hoffman representing STO

A request to look into the State Funding Grants for Railroad crossings in Town was discussed as the crossings at Highway Ave, Lincoln Street, and Hart Road have no gates. Public Works Director Mark Knesek stated he has reached out to INDOT reps to see what needs to be done to qualify/get on list to have funding. He also will reach out to St. John to see what means they used to get funding as well as Robyn Pappenheim to look into a Traffic Study/count for Highway Ave, Lincoln St, and Hart Road. A letter indicating the sense of the Traffic Safety Committee was sent to the Town Council for direction. This item will be tabled until further information can be obtained.

The crosswalk near Warren School on 5th Street and W 99th Place is awaiting signage to further enhance the crossing.

The speed sign results for WB 2700 Grand Blvd and SB 9900 5th street were compliant in the 85 percentile which is within an acceptable range according to Robyn Pappenheim Project Engineer of DVG Team..

A sense of the Traffic Safety Commission was to remove the "2 Hour parking" signs on the south side of 2800-2900 Jewett Street with the Police Chief advising the Redevelopment Director/Town Council for their input. This item was also tabled for the next meeting.

From the floor...

The Police Chief inquired on the Bike Path lighting and the new signage/LED lighting has been ordered. Also noting the bushes at the Bike Path on 41st Street need trimming/removal for safety concerns. Public Works Director stated he would reach out to the Park Department to have them trimmed or relocated.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am.