

Lower Makefield Township  
Citizens Traffic Commission  
May 19, 2014  
Meeting Minutes

Present: Virginia Torbert, Chairperson Craig Hyman  
Richard Davino Kristin Tyler, Supervisor Liaison  
Susan Herman Scott Weaner

Absent: Arthur Cohn, William Hogan

Also in attendance was Bob Sanford, LMT resident.

The May 19, 2014 meeting of the Citizens Traffic Commission was called to order by Mrs. Torbert at 7:30PM.

**Temple Drive** - The first order of business was an update from Mr. Sanford regarding Temple Drive. He had attended a CTC meeting in October regarding the amount of cut-through traffic and speeding in the Temple Drive neighborhood. He reported that, shortly after that meeting, the LMT Police Department did monitor the traffic for five days, and had planned to install speed limit and “watch children” signs. However, the signs had not yet been installed. It was suggested that the delay was possibly due to the problems created by the winter weather. Mrs. Torbert will follow up on this issue with Chief Coluzzi and Kevin Kall of the public works department.

Mr. Sanford then raised the issue of leaves in the roads and presented a picture of a pile of leaves that had been in the road since the fall. Mrs. Tyler suggested that the CTC give some thought to ways that the leaves can be kept out of the streets.

Mr. Sanford also questioned whether the lights are properly synchronized at the intersection of Yardley-Morrisville and Pine Grove Roads near Marrazzo’s. The CTC will look into this.

**BOS Traffic Calming Guidelines Presentation, May 21, 2014** – Mrs. Torbert presented a list she had compiled of LMT residents’ concerns about speeding and/or cut-through traffic from 2013-present, in preparation for the upcoming presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

**Letter to Yardley Borough re Reading Avenue/Oxford Valley Road Three Way Stop** – Mrs. Torbert reviewed her draft letter with the group; some minor changes were suggested. There were questions regarding who has jurisdiction over the roads involved. Mrs. Torbert will contact Jim Majewski, Yardley Borough’s Engineer, for his suggestions on how the CTC should proceed.

**Deer Accident Reporting** – Mr. Weaner had reviewed the Newtown Township information on deer accidents and doesn't feel he can compile anything as detailed. He will continue to add information to the map. Mrs. Torbert requested that Mrs. Bray ask the Township to update the deer accident information on the website.

**Crosswalk on Black Rock Road at the Canal** – Mrs. Torbert had read a discussion on the LMT social media page of concerns about speeding on Black Rock Road in the vicinity of the Canal pedestrian crossing, and the limited sight distance for vehicles coming around the curve just prior to the crossing. Mr. Hyman suggested that the number of people crossing at that spot could determine the need for additional safety measures; Mrs. Bray will monitor traffic for an hour on a Saturday, which is probably the busiest day of the week for pedestrian traffic in that area.

**Approve Minutes of April 21, 2014 CTC Meeting** – The April 21, 2014 CTC meeting minutes were approved, as written.

**Other Business** –

**Resident Concern with Parking Lot** – Mrs. Torbert reported on a message she had received from a resident who expressed a concern about the traffic flow in the pool parking lot. Mrs. Torbert suggested she talk to Donna Liney of the Township's park and recreation department, and offered CTC help if needed.

**2013/2014 Safe Driving Program** – The CTC continues to look for opportunities to include parents in its safe driving programs. To this end, Mrs. Herman had given Pennsbury School Board Chairman, Gary Sanderson, an overview of a program given at another high school, which did include parents, even requiring them to attend in order for their teen drivers to have parking privileges. Mrs. Torbert asked that the School Board's liaison to LMT, Josh Waldorf, be included in these discussions as he might be able to provide assistance.

With no further business to discuss, the May 19, 2014 meeting of the Citizens Traffic Commission was adjourned at 9:00PM. The next meeting of the CTC will be held on June 16, 2014, at the LMT municipal building, at 7:30PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia Torbert, Chairperson