

Lower Makefield Township
Citizens Traffic Commission
September 24, 2012
Meeting Minutes

Present: Virginia Torbert, Chairperson
Arthur Cohn, Vice Chairperson
Richard Davino
Susan Herman
Kristin Tyler, Supervisor Liaison
Scott Weaner

Absent: William Hogan

The September 24, 2012 meeting of the LMT Citizens Traffic Commission was called to order at 7:30PM.

Residents' Traffic Concerns/Updates

Oxford Valley and Big Oak Roads – Mrs. Tyler talked to Chief Coluzzi about moving the light facing east Big Oak to the other arm to reduce left lane confusion and asked him to contact PennDOT to ask about restriping and repaving on Oxford Valley Road in front of the gas station. She will follow up.

Roelofs Road – It was noted that there will be no traffic control device implemented in this area; PennDOT will not allow the use of traffic control devices as traffic calming. Instead, the police set up a speed device at Roelofs Road and Marsha Terrace in September and Chief Coluzzi is increasing enforcement.

Highland Area – Mrs. Tyler has the original e-mail from the Highland Avenue resident and will follow up on it with the police.

Deer Accident Report – Mr. Weaner distributed copies of the map of the LMT Deer/Vehicle Incidents 2009-Present. Mr. Davino will follow up with Lt. Roche to get clarification on the meaning of the accident report category titled “non-accident deer incidents.” Mr. Weaner will try to color code some of the data on the map to distinguish multiple incidents at one site.

Discussion of Traffic Calming Policy – After discussion of the policies which had been distributed at the August meeting, Mrs. Torbert asked that the Commissioners, using Middletown’s policy as a starting point, to suggest guidelines that might work for LMT. Mrs. Tyler said the first step in moving forward with any kind of traffic calming policy would be to discuss it with Chief Coluzzi.

Discussion of Future Safe Driving Event – Mrs. Torbert asked for thoughts on the kind of program the CTC should hold next year, and whether the CTC should sponsor it or work with LYFT, the schools and/or others. After discussion, it was agreed that Mrs. Tyler will ask Officer Pell to incorporate texting into the DARE program. She will also ask Officer Pell for his input on the format of next year’s program. Mr. Cohn will contact Allstate re the programs they already have in place. Mrs. Tyler suggested that we should start educating children on safe driving when they are in middle school.

Other Business –

Senior/Community Center – Mrs. Torbert reported that the BOS voted to approve the Samost Tract as the location for the new senior/community center, specifically in front of the water tower.

Edgewood Village – Mrs. Tyler suggested that the CTC must have a presence at the Planning Commission meetings when Edgewood Village is being discussed. She also mentioned that the Flowers Field development will not start until 2017.

With no further business to discuss, the September 24, 2012 meeting of the Citizens Traffic Commission was adjourned at 9:20AM. The next meeting will be held on October 15, 2012, at 7:30PM, at the LMT municipal building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne Bray, Recording Secretary