

Lower Makefield Township
Citizens Traffic Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2010

Present:	Virginia Torbert, Chair	William Hogan
	Arthur Cohn, Vice Chair	Scott Weaner
	Richard Davino	Greg Caiola, Supervisor
	Susan Herman	

Also in attendance were Matthew Connors and Douglas Kimball, residents of the Roelofs/Derbyshire neighborhood.

Mrs. Torbert opened the regularly scheduled meeting of the Citizens Traffic Commission at 7:35pm.

Residents Traffic Concerns –

1. Roelofs Site Visit Report - In 2008, the Citizens Traffic Commission recommended traffic calming in several places in the Township, one of which was the area of Roelofs and Derbyshire Roads. No formal traffic study was completed, but Heather Sherk, of Traffic Planning and Design recommended additional signage and pavement markings. Because residents are still concerned about speeding in the area, Mrs. Torbert, Mr. Cohn, and Mr. Weaner agreed to make a site visit and met at the corner of Roelofs and Derbyshire Roads, on September 15, at 8am. Mr. Matthew Connors, Mrs. Julia Avitable and several other neighbors also joined them. The CTC members agreed that there are safety concerns, particularly a lack of visibility when driving from Derbyshire onto Roelofs and some cars traveling above the 25 mph speed limit. They observed two near misses at the intersection. In addition, Mr. Connors and Mr. Kimball have observed cars speeding. There followed discussion on ways of resolving the safety issues. Mr. Connors and Mr. Kimball provided input. Mrs. Torbert will draft a letter to Chief Coluzzi, requesting information on any studies that have been done, and requesting a speed stat study as a preliminary step in evaluating the situation, with copies to Mr. Fedorchak and the Board of Supervisors. She will first forward it to the CTC for their comments.

2. PennDOT's Response to Residents (Derbyshire/Big Oak Turn Lane and Rt. 332) – Mrs. Torbert followed up with Mr. Fedorchak on the letter to PennDOT. Mrs. Torbert has not noticed any turn lane markings to date and only one sign posted well ahead of the Derbyshire/Big Oak intersection.. Mrs. Torbert also doesn't believe any significant change has been made on Rt. 332 where the Bypass ends.

3. Maplevalle Cut-Through Traffic – At a BOS meeting, a resident complained about people

making U turns in Maplevale on their way to I -95. Chief Coluzzi is going to look into it, but thinks it might be a temporary problem due to the Calhoun Street and Washington Crossing bridge closures.

4. Sherwood and Forest Drives – Kevin Treiber , a resident of Sherwood Drive, sent a letter to the CTC, citing his concern that drivers are ignoring the stop signs on Forest Drive, where it meets Sherwood. It seems logical that there would be one stop sign on Sherwood at the dead end, rather than the two stop signs that are now on Forest. Mrs. Torbert will forward Mr. Treiber's letter to Mr. Fedorchak to get his opinion on whether there is a reason for this and asking him to look into it.

Safe Driving Event Discussion

Mrs. Herman distributed a draft flyer which was reviewed by CTC and suggestions made. She also distributed a Punchlist, outlining the program.

Meeting with Pennsbury re Sponsorship – Mrs. Herman and Mr. Cohn met, on September 16, with Pennsbury High School West Principal, Lisa Becker, and Athletic Director, Lou Sudholz to discuss the role that Pennsbury is willing to play in the Safe Driving Program. They summarized what transpired at the meeting.

Tasks

- Mr. Caiola will send a thank you letter to the Fire Department, which has already donated \$100, and will talk to Officer Pell, of the LMT Police Department, about the \$100 the PBA pledged and send a thank you letter for that.
- 250-300 flyers will be printed, and Mr. Cohn will coordinate distribution of flyers to CTC members.
- Mrs. Bray will ask other municipalities to post the event info on their websites.
- Mrs. Herman will confirm we can use DARE equipment.
- Mrs. Herman will schedule an appointment with Pennsbury's custodian.
- Mr. Caiola will discuss the schedule for showing the event video with Mr. Fedorchak.
- Mr. Hogan will check with local stations about covering the event.
- · Mr. Weaner will burn two more copies of the COW video and will make sure it works with Officer Pell's equipment.
- It was decided not to use the Saturday Night Live clip; Mrs. Torbert will look for another video.
- Mrs. Herman distributed a draft agenda for review; Mr. Weaner and Mr. Hogan will fine tune it, and look to see if the SIMulator can be moved earlier in the program.
- Mrs. Herman will check to see if Pennsbury would object to the SIMulator continuing outside

after the program is over.

- Mrs. Torbert will look at the video after the event for acceptability for the cable channel, and then get Chief Coluzzi's approval. Mrs. Herman will show it to Pennsbury's Mrs. Langtry for approval to show it on the Pennsbury channel.
- Mrs. Herman, Mrs. Torbert, and Mrs. Bray will be responsible for room decorations.
- Mr. Cohen will monitor activities in one room, while Mr. Davino monitors the other, and Mrs. Herman will float.
- It is expected there will be teenagers to help with the timing and with the card activity.
- Mrs. Torbert will ask Cramer's about donuts and Mr. Hogan will ask Jim McCaffrey about donating coffee. Mr. Caiola will get juices at Halo's Farms. Mr. Cohn, Mrs. Torbert and Mr. Hogan will talk about how much food is needed and be responsible for getting it.
- Mr. Hogan will make a donation to LMT for the event, the amount to be determined based on budget requirements..

Meeting Minutes – June 2010 and July 2010 CTC meeting minutes were approved as written.

With no further business to discuss, the September 20, 2010 meeting of the Citizens Traffic Commission was adjourned at 10:20PM. The next meeting of the CTC will be held on October 18, at 7:30PM, in the LMT municipal building.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne Bray, Recording Secretary