

**MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2014**

In Attendance: Ernie Orgera
Captain Tom Wuennemann
Sgt. Chris Broems
Officer Mike Skoumbros
Doug Hoyt
Thomas Turk
Dan Colleluori
Mani Poola
Veera Karukonda
Frank Fedeli

Guests: Matthew Combs – Tower Crane

Rich Baber – Stamford Stand Up for Youth 5K

Jessica Rosado – Parking at 256 Washington Boulevard

Meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by Ernie Orgera, Chair.

Tiffany Sanders and Rich Baber – RF Youth Boxing – Use of Streets and Kosciuszko Park for Stamford Stand Up for Youth 5K on Saturday, October 25, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. – Set-Up Starts at 7:00 a.m. and Clean-Up Ends at 2:00 p.m. – 250 Adults and 50 Children.

- They will stage at Kosciuszko Park, permission to use the park was already granted by the Parks & Recreation Commission. They will not be allowed to go down to the point, path still under repair.
- Route is as follows:
 - Start at Kosciuszko Park.
 - Head north on Elmcroft Road toward the park entrance.
 - Run one loop around the park on the path.
 - Exit Park on Elmcroft Road.
 - Left on Dyke Lane.
 - Right on Pacific Street.
 - Left on Walter Wheeler Drive.
 - Left on Atlantic.

- Up steps to the boardwalk.
 - Left on Harbor Point.
 - Left on Pacific Street.
 - Left on Bateman.
 - Right on Elmcroft Road.
 - Enter the park.
 - Second loop around the park.
 - Right onto Elmcroft Road to the finish.
- Already contacted Captain Wuennemann regarding the route and need for Police Officers.

Motion was made by Frank Fedeli, seconded by Captain Wuennemann and passed unanimously to approve Stamford Stand Up for Youth 5K on Saturday, October 25, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Matt Combs – Erland Construction, Inc. – Demobilization of Tower Crane Located at Summer House Project – 184 Summer Street.

- Mr. Combs stated that the tower crane located at 184 Summer Street for the Summer House Project has to be taken down early spring of 2015, about the middle of April pending on the weather.
- It will take 5 days to take off the boom and the tail feather of the crane.
- Full closure of Summer Street will be needed because the assist crane will be taking up the better portion of Summer Street in order to dismantle the crane. Hours of operation will be 6:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Pedestrian traffic will continue.
- Director Orgera stated that closing the street will hurt the businesses in the area and asked Mr. Combs to come back to the Committee with a different proposal.
- A meeting with Mr. Combs, the City Engineer, Traffic Engineer, Fire Marshall, Chief Building Official and some members of the Traffic Advisory Committee will be set up for next week to discuss a better way to demobilize the crane.
- Officer Skoumbros stated that he was approached by the Super asking to take the three parking spaces in front of Park Square West permanently. Officer Skoumbros stated that it is very difficult for a Fire Truck to go through in this area as it is and recommends that the Committee does not approve this request.

Jessica Rosado – Parking in Front of Bridgewater Condominium at 256 Washington Boulevard.

- Ms. Jessica Rosado stated that there are about 12 cars that are able to park alongside the road of Bridgewater Condominium at 256 Washington Blvd., which completely blocks the vision out of their driveway. Ms. Rosado requested that the sign be moved back some spaces so they are able to see when pulling out and the cars driving up can see them as well. Ms. Rosado explained that the lane was narrowed when BLT moved it and there is also a bike lane there, Ms. Rosado feels that there should be no parking there. Captain Wuennemann agrees that there should not be any parking at all there, especially with a bike lane, but also understands that it will make it difficult for the one resident that owns a house without a driveway.
- Director Orgera stated that Carol Ann McClean met with him and pointed out that the petition asks for removal of some of the parking to give residents a better sightline. Ms. McClean asked to move parking south of her complex because the road widens there.
- Officer Skoumbros stated that he received three e-mails from someone named Norris; apparently he is concerned with everybody parking in the bike lanes and requested enforcement.
- Director Orgera met on site with Carol Ann McClean about two years ago and told her that we could re-design their parking lot to accommodate all the vehicles in the complex.
- Director Orgera stated that the Mayor wants a bike lane in this area, which means that the parking has to be removed. Right now it's a safety issue to allow parking in this area. Other Committee members agree that this is a safety issue and that parking should be eliminated.

Motion was made by Thomas Turk, seconded by Doug Hoyt and passed unanimously to remove all parking on Washington Boulevard south of Pulaski Street and work out the logistics later because it's not safe.

Miguel & Ana Yonqui – Iglesia Movimiento Misionero Mundial de Stamford – Evangelization - March on Sidewalk from the Ferguson Library to the Rich Forum and Back to the Library – Sunday, October 25, 2014 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. – 55 Adults and 5 Children.

- No Representative was present.
- Special Event application was taken by Frank Fedeli.

Captain Wuennemann informed that Captain Bill Mullin will no longer attend the Traffic Advisory Committee meetings and asked that Captain Elizabeth Erickson be invited in his place.

As there were no further business, motion was made by Frank Fedeli, seconded by Mani Poola to adjourn the meeting at 11:44 a.m. and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted
Margarita Arenas
September 30, 2014