

**East Hempfield Township
Traffic Commission Minutes**

Date and Time: May 17, 2017 6:15 p.m.

Commission members in attendance: Scott Russell, John Bingham and Ed LeFevre.

Others present: Perry Madonna, Jon Beck and Cindy Schweitzer.

Absent: Chief Skiles and Robert Krimmel.

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 pm by Mr. Russell, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment:

Old Business:

720 Church Street – The Commission reviewed the response letter received from PennDOT which indicated that a traffic and engineering study was performed and as a result they have revised the warning signs for the curve to meet current regulations. They also indicated they would be willing to work with the residents to consider driveway realignment within their standard regulations and suggested that more local enforcement of speed may improve the situation. It was noted that PennDOT performed the same study as in 2008 which included a traction test but the traction test was not performed in wet weather. The speed on the curve is posted at 25 MPH. Mr. Russell suggests that the police gather speed data around the curve to address the enforcement concern from PennDOT with the intent to go back to PennDOT for possible consideration of changes to the road surface to provide more traction.

Embassy Drive-no parking – Chief provided the Commission with a memo and letter discussing the feedback from adding the no parking signage to the Embassy Drive area. The item was tabled by the Commission to allow the Chief the opportunity to discuss changes to the wording on the signage.

The Crossings at Conestoga – Kathy Ashworth and Cindy Brodbeck were present and provided discussion points regarding how to proceed with gathering resident input to future improvements to the Farmingdale Road area. The Commission decided to schedule, advertise and make the area residents aware of an initial meeting to hear resident concerns and solutions. The meeting will be scheduled for the September Traffic Commission meeting (9/20/17 @ 6:15pm). Also noted was the engineer's findings that a 4-way stop sign at the Farmingdale Road/Irwin & Wickersham intersection would not meet warrants. Mr. Krimmel continues negotiating with LCSWMA regarding the cost of the speed tables at the trail crossings. The Township will look at clearing out the Farmingdale Road right-of-way area of any obstructions (fencing or plantings) to improve driveway site distances. Lastly, the engineer will be asked to look at creative ways to selectively narrow Farmingdale Road between the RR crossing and Marietta (optimally in the 717 and 724 Farmingdale Road area).

New Business:

Hempfield Crossings-acceptance of street signage – The developer provided plans which depicted site conditions and signage. Mr. Madonna verified that all signs are in place and installed to code per the recorded plan. Motioned by Mr. LeFevre, seconded by Mr. Bingham and unanimously carried to accept the street signage as presented.

Nolt Road Bridge – McCormick Taylor provided a load rating report which recommended no change to the current 5 ton limit. The Commission requested that suggested improvements be made to the bridge but also look at replacement in the 2018 or 2019 budget.

Brandt Boulevard – A letter was received from a resident concerning speeding and the request that 25 MPH signage be added to the roadway. Motioned by Mr. LeFevre, seconded by Mr. Bingham and

