



BROCKTON TRAFFIC COMMISSION
Minutes of the Meeting
Thursday, June 25, 2015

The Traffic Commission monthly meeting was scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at the Brockton Police Station, 7 Commercial Street, Brockton, MA 02302. Present were Ken Galligan, Ollie Spears, Councilor Shirley Asack and D.P.W. Commissioner Larry Rowley. Not able to be present were Captain Robert DiBari, Councilor Moises Rodrigues, Deputy Fire Chief Kevin Galligan and Mort Schleffer. As there was no quorum, no official meeting could be called to order. Ken Galligan chaired an informal discussion on the issues.

Also present were residents Greg and Lisa Belcher, on behalf of Waitt Funeral Home. As a courtesy to the residents present and in order to expedite matters on the agenda, an informal meeting was held, with all agenda items to be referred to the July meeting for formal hearing.

850 NORTH MAIN STREET

Request from Councilor Shirley Asack on behalf of Greg Belcher of Waitt Funeral Home to have the Traffic Commission view the lanes of traffic in front of 850 North Main Street where it changes from one lane to two lanes to see if anything can be done to alleviate the traffic blocking the entrance to the funeral home.

Greg and Lisa Belcher spoke to the Commission members and expressed their concern over the traffic situation on North Main Street in front of their business, Waitt Funeral Home and presented photographs showing the traffic lineage on the street. Two lanes of traffic form in the vicinity of the Guardian Center where it is supposed to be one lane. They would like to have the fog line taken in or slash marks to show that it is not two lanes on that portion of the street. There are many accidents with cars entering the funeral home from a northerly direction and a car heading southerly in the second lane hits the passenger side door. They are not looking for signage similar to "Do Not Block Traffic", but rather concerned about accident prevention. D.P.W. Commissioner Larry Rowley stated that he thinks the sidewalk may need to be built out and that bringing out the fog line might not work unless there is enforcement. Greg Belcher stated that he would like to see the fog line moved out; Lisa Belcher stated that she would like to see painted slash lines. Ken Galligan stated that the painted slash lines together with a sign in the vicinity of Martland Avenue stating "Single Lane Only" and then another sign after the funeral home driveway stating "Form Two Lines" or "Right Lane Must Turn Right" might be a good solution. Ken Galligan stated that it has become habit for people who use that road regularly and there will be a learning curve with any change in the lines of traffic but with new signage it will be easier for traffic enforcement.

This item was informally referred to **Subcommittee for review**.

PROTENTIS PLAZA – 156-162 MAIN STREET

Request from Councilor Dennis DeNapoli on behalf of Paul Protentis to have a 15 minute loading zone area established either on Main Street or East Elm Street. This issue was continued from the May meeting to get more information on what size trucks will be making deliveries. No action taken.

NORTH CARY STREET

Request from Councilor Dennis DeNapoli on behalf of Jonathan Slawsby, an owner of Save-A-Lot on East Ashland Street. This matter was continued from the April meeting to see how management has handled the issue.

Ken Galligan informed the members present that this situation has been resolved and “No Parking” signs will be placed on the north side of North Cary Street northerly from East Ashland Street to Thayer Street, with the understanding that if necessary the signage will be extended up to Miller Street.

DIVISION STREET

Request from Councilor Shirley Asack on behalf of resident Bill Black to have portable speed bumps installed on Division Street to reduce speeding.

Councilor Asack informed the members that Mr. Black has offered to pay for the speed bumps. Ollie Spears suggested that an opinion from the Legal Department would be necessary to see if things like that can be put on a public way and Ken Galligan stated that this issue has been before the Commission before.

This issue was informally referred to **Subcommittee for review**.

OAK STREET

Request from Councilor Shirley Asack on behalf of residents at Chateau Westgate to have the Traffic Commission view the property occupied by Northeast Electrical, as they are loading and unloading trucks on a 24-hour basis and disturbing the neighbors between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.

This issue was informally referred to **Subcommittee for review**.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Florio

Secretary to the Traffic Commission