

The Corporation of the Town of Tillsonburg

Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Thursday, August 22, 2024
9:00 AM
Boardroom CSC
10 Lisgar Ave.

ATTENDANCE: Bob Parsons
Pete Luciani
Chris Rosehart
Deb Gilvesy
Larry Scanlan

Staff: Jonathon Graham, Director of Operations and Development
Julie Ellis, Deputy Clerk
Sergeant Shawn Simpson, Ontario Provincial Police

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution # 1

Moved By: Bob Parsons

Seconded By: Deb Gilvesy

THAT the agenda for the August 22, 2024 Traffic Advisory Committee be approved with the following additions:

- Item 7.5 Follow up on Item 7.4 and 7.5 of May meeting
- Item 8.2The crosswalk on Maple Lane

Carried

3. **Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof**

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

4. **Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Resolution # 2

Moved By: Bob Parsons

Seconded By: Larry Scanlan

THAT the minutes of the May 16, 2024, Traffic Advisory Committee, be approved.

Carried

5. **Presentations**

5.1 Kevin Jones, Paradigm - Traffic Master Plan Update

Kevin Jones, Paradigm, provided an updated on the Traffic Master Plan.

The committee shared ideas including

- The potential for the committee to spearhead a project to create a fact sheet on items including misconceptions around free parking, the requirements for roundabouts, driver information and cameras at intersections
- The creation of a Taxi Stand outside of the Tillsonburg Town Centre
- The addition of EV Charging stations at the Tillsonburg Town Centre

Members of the committee asked questions of Kevin including:

- If communities ever require developers to include bike lanes in new subdivisions
- If Norfolk County can be sent a letter regarding feed back in the survey that concerned intersections that are actually in their municipality
- How accessibility is included in the draft Plan

Jonathon Graham, Director of Operations and Development, confirmed that he will send the presentation from Kevin Jones to all Council members.

6. Delegations

6.1 Michael Brown, Accessibility Advisory Committee Member Re: Intersection of Bridge and Rolph Streets

Michael Brown, a member of the Tillsonburg Accessibility Advisory Committee, provided a delegation outlining his concerns around the intersection of Bridge and Rolph street. Mr. Brown feels that the intersection has become dangerous as vehicles are using Rolph instead of Bidwell because it has less stop signs and there is a large volume of pedestrians.

Mr. Brown suggested that a flashing crosswalk or a 3-way stop would be a good way to solve the problem at this intersection before the Bridge St. reimagining project is completed.

Jonathon Graham, Director of Operations and Development, clarified that the Bridge St. Re-Imagining Task Force concepts have not yet been endorsed by Council and at this point it is just a proposed concept. The consultants preparing the Traffic Master Plan will be considering the potential plans for Bridge St. in their plan, and this intersection will be part of those considerations. Jonathan also mentioned that there would need to be considerations around EMS entering and leaving the Hospital.

The Manager of Public Works prepares an annual report regarding potential stop signs, and will be asked to add this intersection to his considerations.

7. Information Items

7.1 Correspondence from Sharon Cattrysse Re: Speeding on Baldwin

Jonathon Graham, Director of Operations and Development, reviewed the speed data for Baldwin Street with the committee. It was concluded that the data did not support measures on this street.

Staff did confirm that speed signs have arrived for Wilson Ave.

A letter will go to Ms. Cattrysse from staff that will cite recent data and ensure that the issue is considered in the Transportation Master Plan.

7.2 Correspondence from Claude Archambault Re: Speed Humps

This stop sign is part of the analysis of the Manager of Public Works that will be coming forward.

7.3 Follow-up: All-way Stop Request - Washington Grand Avenue and Rolph Street

This item was received as information.

7.4 Correspondence from Al Cayford Re: Traffic on Robin Road

A response will be sent to the resident from staff.

7.5 Broadway Safety Issues - Follow-up

The committee discussed the misuse of crosswalks. An officer can potentially attend local schools to discuss. Staff will put in a communication request regarding education on the use of crosswalks.

8. General Business & Reports

8.1 No Parking on Woodcock Drive

A resident on Wren Court reached out to staff regarding parking concerns in that area. They are having difficulties parking and were inquiring about the possibility of allowing parking on Woodcock. Staff have advised that allowing parking on Woodcock would cause too much congestion, especially with upcoming construction in the same area.

8.2 Crosswalk on Maple Lane

Residents have inquired about the crosswalk at Demeyre and Maple Lane as the lines have faded. Despite the closure of Maple Lane School, students still use this crosswalk to get to Annandale School. Staff advised that they will have the lines repainted.

9. Next Meeting

Thursday, December 12, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m.

10. Adjournment

Resolution # 3

Moved By: Larry Scanlan

Seconded By: Bob Parsons

THAT the Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting of August 22, 2024, be adjourned at 10:21 p.m.

Carried