

Traffic Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2023

Mayor Butler called the meeting to order at 2:08 pm

Roll Call:

Mayor Michael Butler	-	present
Commissioner Pat Sgambati	-	present
Chief Bill Rabbitt	-	present
Fire Chief Matt Dunn	-	absent
Supervisor Tom Richardson	-	present
Tim Hipwell	-	present

Items brought up for discussion:

Burke Street one way from James Street to Canal Street

The Committee discussed it starting at the stop sign east of James Street.

Motion by: Tom Richardson

Seconded by: Mayor Butler

All member agreed and it was unanimously approved

Corner of Central Avenue and Saratoga Avenue (no parking here to corner sign)

Mayor Butler stated it was a recommendation from the Zoning/Planning Board to enforce a no parking from here to corner when turning off Central Avenue onto Saratoga Avenue.

Motion by: Mayor Butler

Seconded by: Supervisor Richardson

All members agreed and it was unanimously approved

No Parking 8:00am to 4:00pm Cypress Street

Mayor Butler stated the multi-family property of Cypress Street has a very nice parking lot but the residents are parking on the streets and there has been times where the street has been blocked for an hour or so therefore there is a need to alleviate the parking on the street so that a business can operate efficiently and that is why the no parking will be during business hours on both sides of the street. Supervisor Richardson asked if someone could contact the property owner and ask them to have their tenants park in the parking lot. Mayor Butler stated the tenants have been less than helpful. Police Chief stated there was a heated incident when the business asked a tenant to move their car about five (5) feet and they would not do it. Tom Richardson stated they will need to notify the property owner that this will be going into effect.

Motion by: Supervisor Richardson

Seconded by: Mayor Butler

All members agreed and it was unanimously approved

Central Avenue (No Right on Red)

Police Chief Rabbit stated Central Avenue is where the most tickets are written and most accidents occur and he is opposed to taking down the "No Right On Red" signs and feel they serve their purpose and should remain. Mayor Butler stated he spoke

with Chief Dunn and he was also against removing the "No Right on Red". There was a motion to deny getting rid of the "No Right on Red".

Motion by: Tom Richardson
Seconded by: Commissioner Sgambati

All members agreed and it was unanimously approved the No Right on Red signs will remain in effect.

Mayor Butler stated he would like to have meeting quarterly unless something comes up in the meantime.

Chief Rabbitt stated there are still streets that still have alternate parking and he would like to eliminate those parking restrictions.

Supervisor Richardson stated someone mentioned cars coming down Harris Avenue right on to Central Avenue without stopping a suggested maybe making that one way from Central Avenue up Harris Avenue.

Mayor Butler asked Chief Rabbitt if there was a set schedule for the speed trailer.

Chief Rabbitt stated there was no set schedule and if someone would like to request it being located somewhere there is a form on the website.

Commissioner Sgambati stated he would like to discuss adding a stop sign on the corner of Chestnut and Third Street and make that a four-way stop.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:39pm

Motion by: Supervisor Richardson
Seconded by: Commissioner Sgambati