

**BOROUGH OF WEST READING
TRAFFIC COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2016**

The Borough of West Reading Traffic Committee met on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Borough Hall, with the following persons present: Chair Christopher Lincoln, Public Works Director Dean Murray, Police Chief Stephen Powell and Borough Secretary Cathy Hoffman.

Visitors: None

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comment

None

Old Business

Parking Study – The possibility of installing a kiosk for the municipal parking lot on Franklin Street was discussed. Chief Powell indicated that he would contact the company that provided our parking enforcement equipment to see if they could provide some direction. It was also noted that \$7000 has been allocated in the 2017 budget for the second part of the parking study.

ARLE Grant – There was nothing new to report.

Street Sweeping – The possibility of changing the existing street sweeping schedule was discussed. It was noted that sweeping the street on one side only would end up requiring residents to possibly move their vehicles four days per month, rather than the existing two days per month. Also, the setting of a precedent was considered – if the change is made for one street, Council would have to be prepared to do it for all. **Moved** by Mr. Murray and seconded by Mrs. Hoffman to recommend to Council that no changes be made to the existing street sweeping schedule. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Mr. Murray indicated that for 2017, he would like to complete the street sweeping program by adding the following:

2 nd Wednesday	Yarnell and Kline Streets
4 th Wednesday	S. 5 th Avenue from Chestnut to Franklin
1 st and 3 rd Fridays	S. 3 rd and Parkview Road
1 st and 3 rd Fridays	Eighth Avenue and Lakeview
2 nd and 4 th Fridays	S. 4 th Avenue

Mr. Lincoln asked that once these additions are enacted are made and the new website is up and running, a color-coded map be included on the website. **Moved** by Mrs. Hoffman and seconded by Chief Powell to recommend to Council the expansion of the street sweeping program as detailed by Mr. Murray. **Motion carried 4-0.**

Green Light-Go Grant- The grant has been submitted and there is nothing to report at this time.

New Business

Additional Security Cameras – Chief Powell reported that a proposal has been received from Berkshire Systems for the addition of two pan-tilt-zoom cameras at the intersections of 4th and Penn, and 6th and Penn, in the amount of \$8878. Also proposed were two cameras at 8th and Penn for \$13,958; 2nd Avenue

\$34,668; and one PTZ and one fixed camera at Delaney Circle for \$29,798. The camera at 2nd Avenue would have to be mounted on a pole and would shoot under the train bridge. Chief Powell noted that \$20,000 has been budgeted for 2017 and that he considers 6th and 4th the two top priorities.

Traffic Complaints – Chief Powell stated that the Department has been addressing the various traffic complaints received over the last couple of months. He indicated that they have routinely patrolled areas that report high vehicle speeds and prohibited truck traffic, however nothing has been found. He suggested the possibility of installing moveable speed humps, or additional signage. The additional speed sign can be used as well, but finding the correct place to install it needs to be considered.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Hoffman
Borough Secretary