Wednesday, March 5, 2025 1:30pm

Richard J. Pasco Council Chambers, City Hall

10 S. State St, Greenfield, IN 46140

Glen Morrow, City Engineer called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

Glen Morrow took roll call.

Members Present:

Gary Pence

Councilwoman Amy Kirkpatrick

Police Lieutenant Charles Murnan

Assistant Street Commissioner Brad Evans for VC Tyler Rankins

Chairman City Engineer Glen Morrow

**Approval of Minutes:**

A motion was made to approve the February 25, 2025 as presented by G. Pence and seconded by A. Kirkpatrick. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Stop Sign Recommendations:**

Regarding the former recommendations to install stop signs at intersection of Davis & Meridian Roads and also on Center Street at the intersection of Marsh Aster Drive & Sedgwick Lane. G. Morrow reported that Common Council approved both locations on February 26, 2025.

There was a Common Council concern that the stop signs on Davis receive extra attention for notification. B. Evans reported that message boards are expected to be posted next week and C. Murnan reported that the information was posted on social media. G. Morrow also noted that there was a newspaper article on the addition of the signs.

**Traffic Counters:**

B. Evans discussed two quotes obtained by T. Rankins for traffic counters. Both quotes were by Stalker Radar Applied Concepts, Inc. the quotes were for $2,375 and $3,813. Both Traffic Data Collector 2 units can be positioned out of the roadway in inconspicuous locations. The more expensive package has solar capabilities and ability to read the data real-time using 4G. Both packages have the same base unit and use the same software.

A motion to recommend that the Street Department purchase the $3,813 package and the Police Department purchase the $2,375 package was made by B. Evans and seconded by Gary Pence.

Motion carried.

**NEW ITEMS:**

**Elizabeth Baily discussion on safety on Franklin Road from Junior High School to McKenzie:**

Ms. Baily was present to discuss an accident that involved her child walking south from the Junior High School along Franklin Road, and crossing the road to the Library. The traffic incident report was provided in the packet and Ms. Baily presented a three page handout making the case for a pedestrian crossing protected with a HAWK beacon. The proposed crossing would be in the vicinity of McBride Street.

C. Murnan acknowledged that this section of road is particularly busy during the afterschool hours when children are trying to get to the library and soccer fields. Discussion ensued about the costs and various options for effective crossing scenarios.

C. Murnan made a motion for G. Morrow to investigate options for a crosswalk in this location and return for discussion at a later meeting. Seconded by A. Kirkpatrick. Motion carried.

**Roundabout Prioritization**:

The summary of the Burgess & Niple report presented at the February meeting was reviewed. Questions concerning the executive summary were discussed.

C. Murnan discussed his experience at all intersections and noted that Franklin and Davis has improved significantly since it was made a 4-way stop intersection and the worst accidents seem to occur at Blue/New.

A. Kirkpatrick made a motion to submit the Franklin/Davis roundabout as a Safe Street and Roads for All grant (SS4A) that closes April 4, pending discussion with Mayor Titus, and commence work on developing a roundabout project for Blue/New intersection. Seconded by Gary Pence. Motion Carried.

**South Street One-Way**:

G. Morrow distributed two pages from a Kimley Horn parking study for the proposed parking garage project. The report indicates that existing parking (from SR9 to Pennsylvania) as 27 spaces using the parallel parking. The capacity reduces to 22 [17 incorrectly reported] angle parking parallel spaces if the garage were constructed. There does not appear to be enough room for angle parking and two lanes of traffic.

G. Morrow has talked to Fire Chief Horning about issues with emergency calls where the vehicles exit on to SR 9 going the wrong direction. Initial response was minimal concern but will follow up when staff has time to give opinion.

G. Morrow has also talked to INDOT about their opinion of conversion to a one-way street. No answer as of yet.

Motion by B. Evans to table any recommendations until more input is received. Seconded by C. Murnan. Motion carried.

**Traffic Safety Report**:

C. Murnan provided the 2024 Annual Traffic Safety Report in the packet. Of highlight is that the number of crashes is below 500 for the first time in many years. However, injuries are still up.

Murnan also noted that there has been minimal issues with golf carts on the streets as previously feared, but there is a growing number of concerns with the razers.

The Goals are to 1) research ideas to help reduce traffic complaints within the neighborhoods, 2) Implement traffic calming strategies to reduce vehicle speed as they enter into the City limits and higher pedestrian areas, and 3) to purchase traffic counters to gather more data in the easiest way possible (current traffic counters over two decades old). Murnan also noted that he is researching better software to compile crash data.

No motion necessary.

**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:**

**US40 and Apple/Morristown Pike Signal:**

G. Morrow noted that INDOT had modified the signal to allow a protected LH turn for the northbound Morristown Pike traffic. A. Kirkpatrick had forwarded a concern from a resident concerning southbound Apple traffic needing to wait for the northbound Morriston Pike traffic to turn left. This concern was forwarded to INDOT and there should be a sign installed in the next few months for the southbound traffic indicating “DELAYED SIGNAL.”

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made to adjourn by B. Evans and seconded by A. Kirkpatrick. Motion carried.