



Agenda

OLD BUSINESS

1. Request of The University of Findlay, 1000 North Main Street, for a pedestrian activated light across North Main Street from new admissions office to the campus.

03/21/2016

Item remains tabled.

2. Request for additional signals at Sandusky Street and Main Street.

03/21/2016

Item remains tabled.

3. Request of Marathon Petroleum Company to install a crosswalk across East Sandusky Street at Beech.

03/21/2016

Item remains tabled.

4. Request of Councilman Tom Klein to review speed limit and signage on West Bigelow Avenue from North Main Street to Broad Avenue.

03/21/2016

Stoffel reported in an email that in the early 1970s, a request came before the Traffic Commission to make the speed limit 20 MPH. It is assumed that it was made 20 MPH when there was no traffic light, only a crosswalk, for the school on Hillcrest Avenue. Chief Horne reported in an email that it was his understanding that it was near a school and children walked that way to get to the neighborhood south of Bigelow Avenue. There is no longer a need for the 20 MPH speed limit sign or for it to be marked as a school zone in that area. Discussion ensued regarding amount of pedestrian traffic across Bigelow.

Motion to table by Director Schmelzer, second by Chief Eberle. Motion dies for lack of vote.

Monday stated that we should check on the legal requirements for a 20 MPH speed limit with restricted hours school zone. Monday stated that he understands why it was made 20 MPH. Mayor Mihalik stated that Bigelow Hill School is a pretty good sized school. They have a lot of walkers. It's a very populated neighborhood. Mayor suggested to contact the principal at the school to see how many walkers they have. Monday read from ORC 4511.21(c). Schmelzer stated that based on ORC 4511.21(C), the area on Bigelow is too far from the actual school to be construed as a school zone. He is guessing that is why Traffic Commission, at that time, made the speed limit 20 MPH in the area. They wanted to create the safety of the school zone functionality. They knew that making it a school zone with 20 MPH during restricted hours was not enforceable for that section. Monday stated that he is not opposed to leaving it a 20 MPH speed limit for the safety of the kids. He believes it is just an unenforceable sign. Motion to leave it a 20 MPH speed limit, by Schmelzer. Motion dies for lack of second.

Based on the City's inability to make it a restricted hour zone, motion to leave the 20 MPH speed limit zone because of the number of pedestrians and kids that use the crossing point, by Schmelzer, second by Councilman Monday. Discussion: Mayor stated that we should have the Law Director check the enforceability/legality of the 20 MPH speed limit. Motion denied 4-0.

Motion to have the Law Director look at the language in the ORC and give us a determination whether the restricted hours sign would be enforceable, by Chief Eberle, second by Director Schmelzer. Motion passed 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request of John Snyder to make Clinton Street one way going south from Cherry Street to Center Street and allow parking on both sides of the street.
2. Request of Bob Fraley for review of the area of 18th Street at Flowers Avenue at Glenwood School driveway for traffic control signage.
3. Request of Tracie Brutsche, 110 ½ West Sandusky Street, to review the wording on the "2 Hour Parking" signs downtown to add the wording "Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm".
4. Request of Ginny Clymer, 1600 Blanchard Avenue, for a 4-way stop sign at the intersection of Amelia Avenue and Connell Avenue.

Kathy Launder

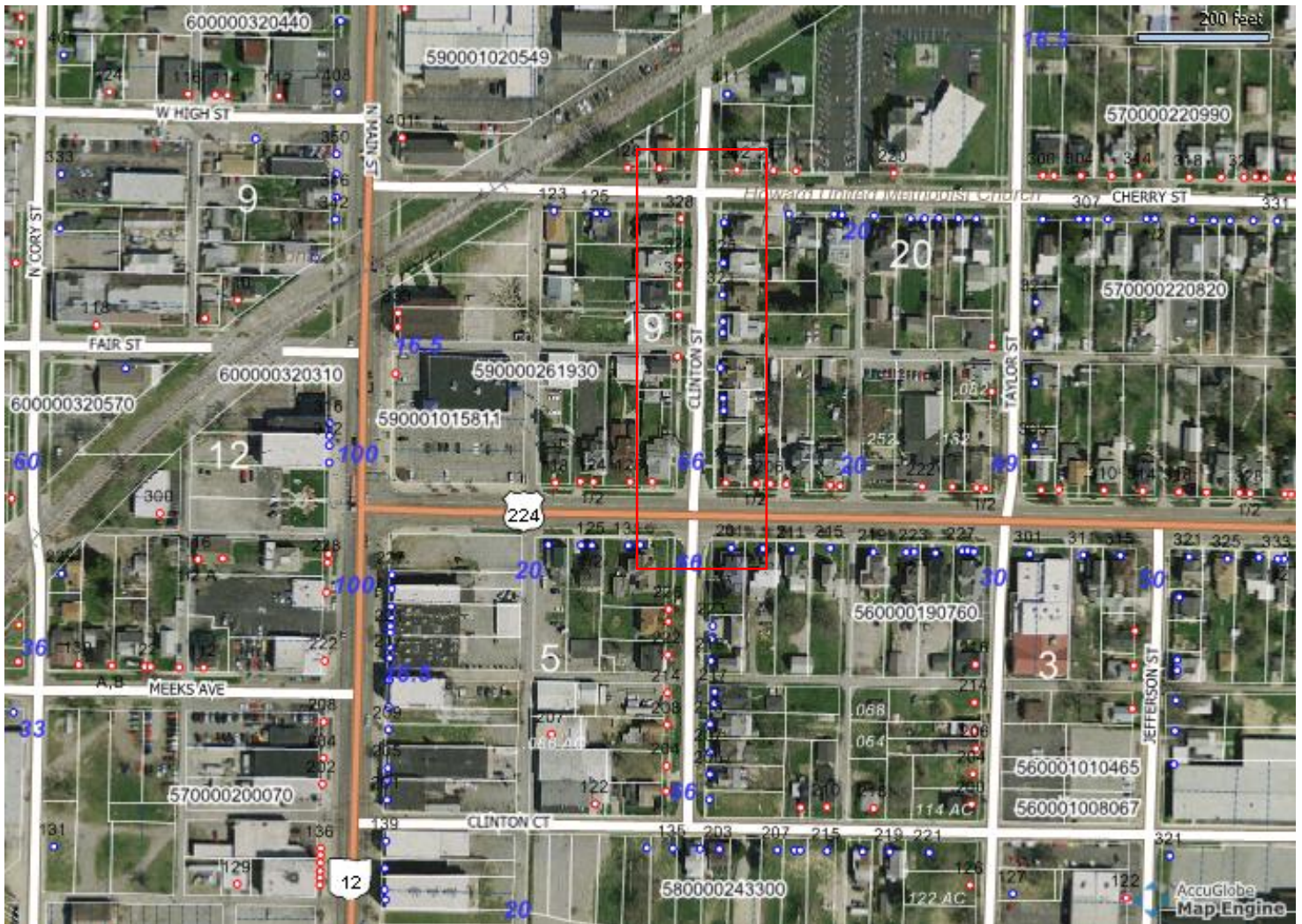
From: Klein, Tom <tklein@findlayohio.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 8:19 PM
To: Schmelzer, Paul; Paul Schmelzer (Pschmelzer@findlayohio.com)
Cc: Kathy Launder
Subject: fw: parking on clinton st

Paul - This is the request I received from John Snyder. Let me know if you need me to do anything else.
Thanks. Tom

From: "John Snyder" <jds32141@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 8, 2016 1:22 PM
To: tklein@findlayohio.com
Subject: parking on clinton st

I am addressing this to you as I am a property owner on Clinton st. I own duplexes at 322 and 324 Clinton. Tennents at these addresses own a total of 6 cars. I have opened 2 driveways that will hold 2 vehicles. This presents a problem and this problem did not exist until the council closed parking on the west side of street. I would like to see Clinton St made one way from Cherry to Center going south only. There are several reasons for doing so and if you would like to debate this I would . The main reason is to have parking on both side of street fot residents and guests and it would still have access for emergency vehicles. Clinton St. between Center and Clinton Ct. is already One Way going south Thank You John Snyder

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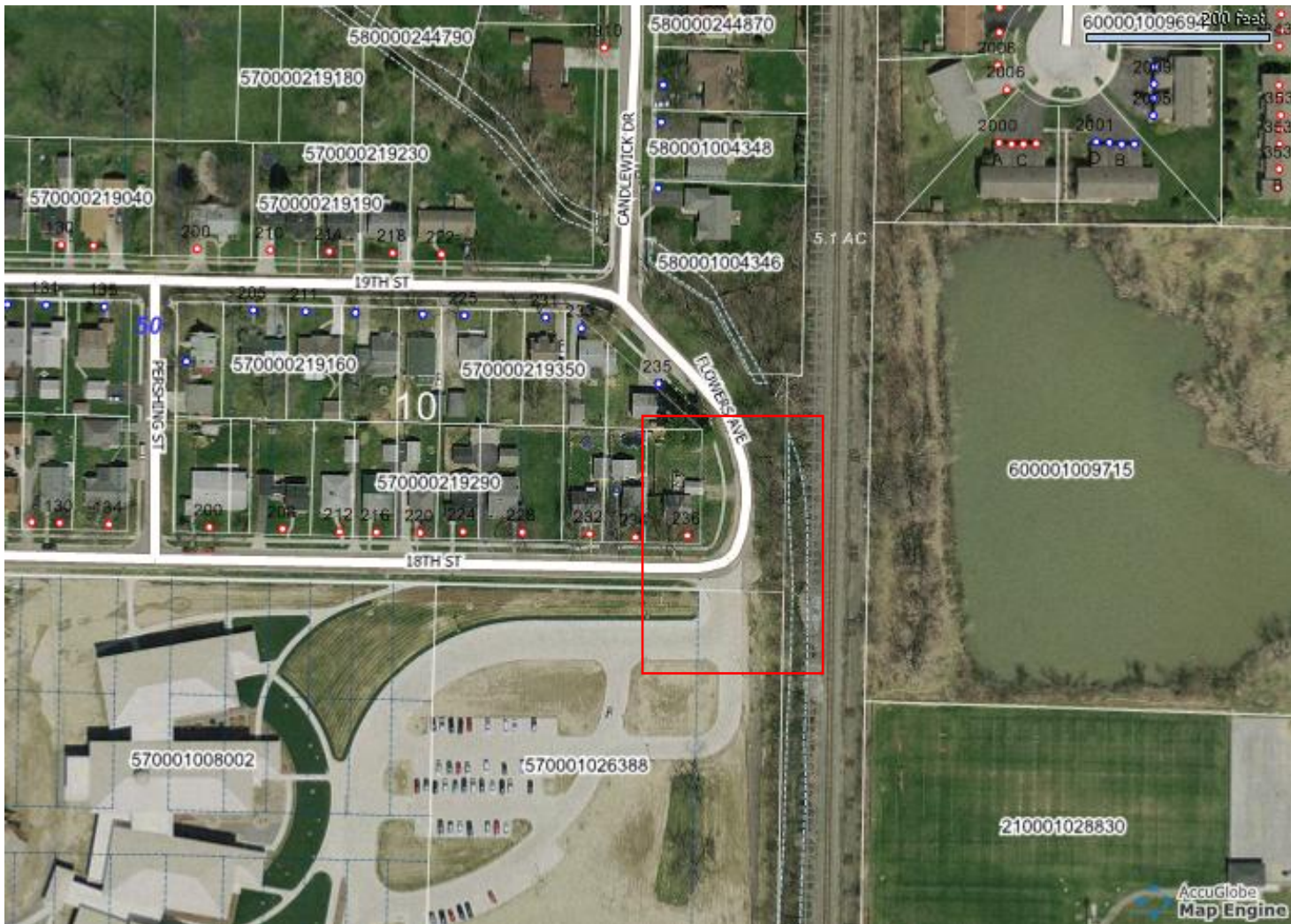
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Kathy Launder

From: Matt Stoffel <mstoffel@findlayohio.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2016 3:54 PM
To: Kathy Launder
Subject: 18th and candle

Kathy – There is not a stop sign at 18th and Candlewick I don't believe there ever was one there to my knowledge. There is a stop coming out of the school at the intersection, but nothing keeping traffic from going straight into the school drive from Candlewick. The intersection is like a continuous type curve. We should have the traffic commission look at it. I can see it being a potential problem but it may also be difficult to post the way the street is laid out. It may be better to make it a three way stop.
Matt

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Request of Bob Fraley for review of the area of 18th Street at Flowers Avenue at Glenwood School driveway for traffic control signage

Kathy Launder

From: Greg Horne <ghorne@findlayohio.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2016 8:29 AM
To: 'Kathy Launder'
Subject: FW: Downtown Parking

Kathy,

I believe this lady was told Traffic Commission would have to look at the issue.

From: Capt. Sean Young [mailto:syoung@findlayohio.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 4:03 PM
To: 'Greg Horne' <ghorne@findlayohio.com>
Subject: RE: Downtown Parking

From: John Dunbar [mailto:jdunbar@findlayohio.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2016 12:35 PM
To: Sean Young <syoung@ci.findlay.oh.us>
Subject: FW: Downtown Parking

Captain

Not sure how to respond to this e-mail address to Parking@findlayohio.com.

Should I tell her to go to the Traffic Commission regarding her desire to have the wording changed on signs.

From: Tracie Brutsche [mailto:acietra2000@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2016 1:13 PM
To: parking@findlayohio.com
Subject: Downtown Parking

Dear Sir,

I live downtown at 119 1/2 W. Sandusky Street. (I used to see and wave to you about every morning when I was leaving for work and you were chalking tires. I had a Black Hyundai Veloster, but now have a Honda Civic.) I just had a very polite police officer knock at my door and inform me that the station had received an anonymous call from someone who couldn't find a parking space in front of the building and had observed several cars that had snow accumulated on them, clearly in violation of the 2 Hour Parking signs. Mine was one of those cars. I appreciate that the FPD and the officer took the time to track me down and give me the heads up of the complaint and the opportunity for me to move my car without being ticketed or towed. With that being said, the officer and I shared the same sentiments that the caller was being petty. However if you follow the letter of the law and how the signs read, there are no stipulations to what days/what times the signs cover.

When I moved here in November of 2012, I recall emailing parking enforcement and inquiring if the 2 Hour Parking applied to weekends and holidays. I was told that it did not. While I do have a parking space designated for my vehicle in the rear of the building, often I return home especially over my lunch hour to find someone parked in my space illegally even though it is clearly marked that it is for tenants only. (The

driver of the vehicle usually is visiting Adult Probation which I find ironic since it is affiliated with The City of Findlay. Glad I could help provide parking). Two summers ago on a hot day, I returned home while a Rally in the Ally was going on. I had just bought groceries which contained frozen goods and not only my space but many other tenants had unauthorized vehicles parked in them. I had to circle the block and park on Hardin and then walk home with my three bags of groceries. Who enforces our right to park in our own space on private property? NO ONE. If you arrived home and an unidentified car was parked in your driveway you would have it towed. I do not have that right since I don't own the property. I've been told that the landlords have to personally make the call to Dick's towing then be on scene when the tow truck arrives. This is an obvious inconvenience to them as well.

One could argue that the parking situation is one of the perils of living downtown, but is that really fair? While I really do enjoy living where I do with all of the exciting things that are happening downtown, for me it is also a bit of a necessity. The rent is in the price range that I can afford and the property is kept very nice and respectable by the landlords. It is clean and it is safe. I have never experienced a problem here other than the parking quirks.

In a nutshell it would be really nice, at least on the side streets off of Main Street that the parking limits along with the signs be updated to reflect the needs of not only the people who shop downtown, but for the citizens of Findlay who call downtown home. There are many existing apartments and more luxury lofts being renovated to be rented. That means more people and vehicles in the downtown area. We matter too!

Thank you for allowing me to vent.

Respectfully,

Tracie Brutsche
419-348-8240

#1

Petition

Connell Avenue
4-way stop sign, Amelia Ave + ~~Connell St~~

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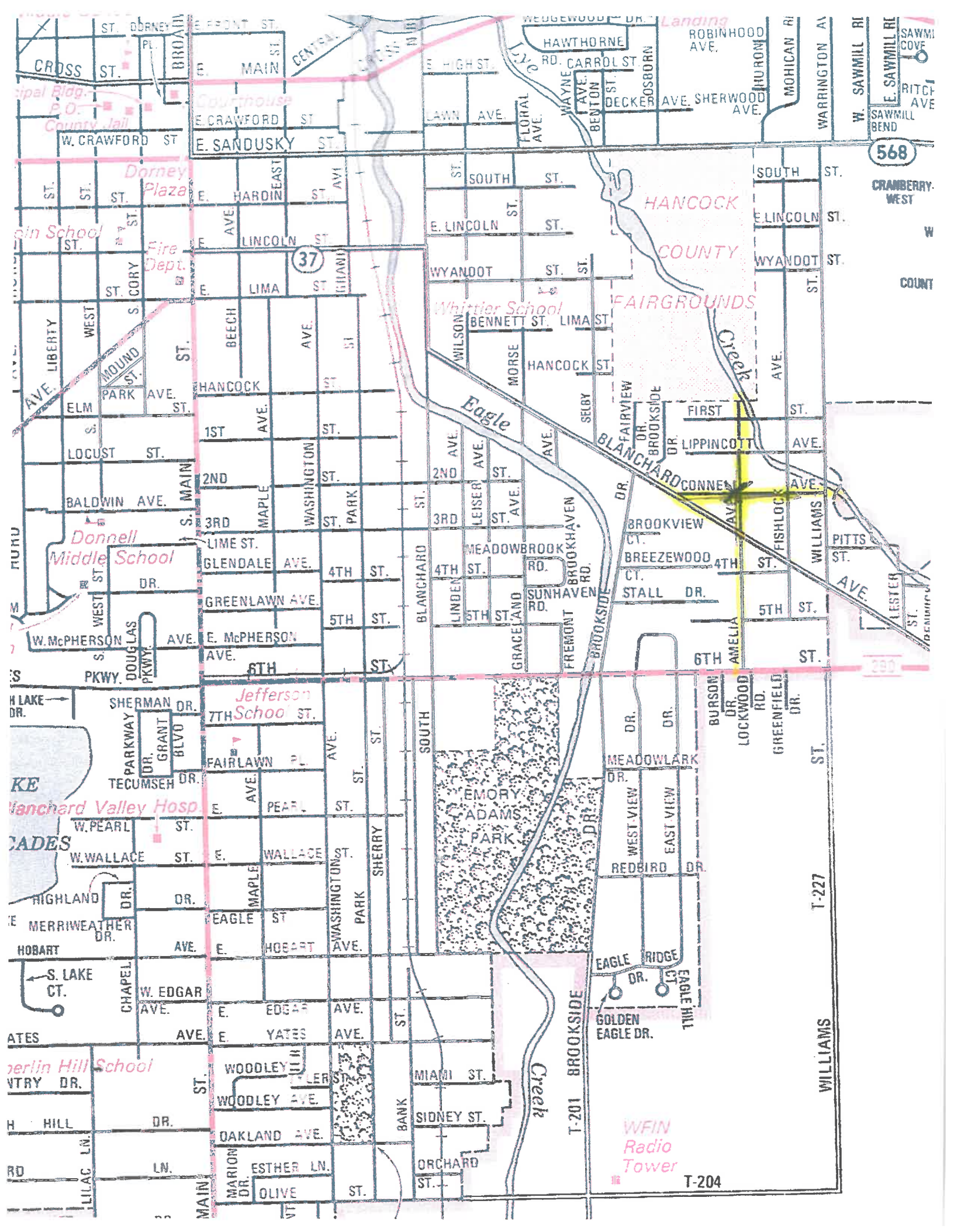
- 1) Virginia R. Clymer 1600 Blanchard Ave
- 2) Laura Robson 1116 Amelia Ave
- 3) Bill Schling 1105 Amelia Ave
- 4) Blayne Spooner 1624 Connell Ave
- 5) Os. I R Ash Jr 1600 Lippincott Ave
- 6) Susan Gill, 1111 Amelia Ave
- 7) Mr + Diane Wilkin 1504 Lippincott Ave
1515 Lippincott Ave
- 8) Jannice Tuttle
- 9) Julie Farney 1525 Lippincott Ave
- 10) Josh Mason 1527 Lippincott Ave
- 11) Matt Ashcraft 1524 Connell Ave.
- 12) Georgia Wonderly 1601 Connell Ave.

#2

Petition

4-way stop sign, Amelia Ave + ~~Connell St~~ ^{Connell Avenue}

NAME	ADDRESS
1) Sherry Davis	1619 Connell Ave
2) Maggie Hovest	1301 Keshlock Ave.
3) Ethan Hovest	1628 Connell Ave
4) [Signature]	1628 Connell Ave
5) William Maloy	1612 Connell Ave
6) Marina Maloy	1612 Connell Ave.
7) Bryna VanDyck	1600 Connell Ave.
8) Shawn Meeks	1514 Connell Ave.
9) Kyle Lipton	1500 Connell Ave
10) Brooke Place	1500 Connell Ave
11) Daniel M. Oates	1526 Lippincott Ave.
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County Jail
Courthouse
P.O.

Donnell
Middle School

Jefferson
7th School

Whittier School

Blanchard Valley Hosp.

WFN
Radio
Tower

HANCOCK
COUNTY

FAIRGROUNDS

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