

# TRAFFIC COMMISSION

City of Findlay  
September 18, 2017

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## MINUTES

### **ATTENDANCE:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Safety Director Paul Schmelzer, Service Director/City Engineer Brian Thomas, Police Chief John Dunbar, Fire Chief Josh Eberle, Councilman Ron Monday.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Matt Stoffel, Public Works Superintendent; Don Rasmussen, Law Director; Tom DeMuth, Traffic Lights Supervisor; Kathy Launder, City Clerk.

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Ronald Meisner.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Request of Councilman Ron Monday to review the left turn signalization from Fostoria Avenue onto Tiffin Avenue.

05/15/2017

Councilman Monday stated that a constituent had expressed to him that the directional signage on Fostoria Avenue at Tiffin Avenue is confusing. Discussion ensued regarding the left turn signal activation of the traffic signal. Schmelzer inquired why the hashes on pavement along the island along the eastbound lane are in place? Can it be changed to a lane of traffic to open up the intersection to allow for a dedicated left turn lane?

Motion to table to research history of hashes on pavement, by Director Schmelzer, second by Chief Eberle. Motion passed 5-0.

08/28/2017

No action taken.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Request of Councilman Tom Klein for a crosswalk signal or full traffic signal at the intersection of Sixth Street and Washington Avenue.

Director Schmelzer stated that a traffic signal would not meet the traffic counts needed to warrant a signal. There is a crosswalk existing on the east side of the intersection, but not on the west side. We could consider striping the west side as well.

Motion to direct the Street Department to stripe the intersection of Sixth Street and Washington Avenue for a crosswalk on the west side of the intersection crossing Sixth Street with appropriate signage and pavement markings due to traffic counts for pedestrians and vehicles not warranting a signal, by Director Schmelzer, second by Director Thomas. Motion passed 5-0.

2. Request of Ronald Meisner, 423 Center Street, for better signage in the 200-300 block of Center Street for eastbound traffic following State Route 12/224 where it turns onto Tiffin Avenue.

Ron Mesiner stated that there are no directional signs eastbound for US 224/SR 12. There are more and more semi trucks that are going straight down Center Street rather than angling left onto Tiffin Avenue to follow US 224/SR 12. Director Schmelzer stated that Ohio Department of Transportation is responsible for installing State Route/US Route signage.

Motion to recommend that the Engineering Department contact Ohio Department of Transportation requesting additional signage be placed on Center Street directing route of US 224 and State Route 12, by Councilman Monday, second by Chief Eberle. Motion passed 5-0.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting of the City of Findlay Traffic Commission will be held on October 16, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in the third floor conference room of the Municipal Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy K. Launder  
City Clerk