

TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC & SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
March 12, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM via Zoom.

Open public meeting statement was read.

ROLL CALL

Louis Knoetig, Andrea Anderson, George Manousos, Abigail Chirico, Steve Cruz, Paul Mickiewicz, Council Rep Christine McGrath, and Chief Christopher Kiernan were present. Santi Condorelli , Joseph D'Arco, and Diane DiGiussepe were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the January 9, 2024 meeting were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- Subcommittee updates:
 - Crossing Guard Appreciation: Feb 9 was crossing guard appreciation day and the SCAs sent out a reminder through their facebook pages. Goal to plan one event every quarter. Ideas are to collect a survey to use on social media and coffee/hot chocolate funding
 - Complete Streets: The town has passed a resolution for complete streets. The subcommittee has looked for other towns similar to Verona to use as a model. Some questions are what group will enforce the policies and make sure policies are implemented properly.
- Progress update for White Rock/Bloomfield: there has been increased signage and the County is going to look into the traffic count
- Claremont Ave traffic study: plan to move forward with recommendation for stop sign and Claremont & Cumberland (creating an all-way stop intersection). Derwent Ave construction still in progress.
- Mt Prospect & Sunset: No update from County on tree removal to improve sight lines. Question regarding lane and turning lines being painted at the intersection and the County has looked into this but not moved forward with it.
 - The committee voted to make a recommendation to the town council to adopt a Complete Streets policy and passed
 - A sub-committee was formed to help with complete streets adaptation of George Manousos, Andrea Anderson, and new member Paul Mickiewicz

- Update from Councilwoman Christine McGrath & Chief Kiernan: Bloomfield Ave study is on the official docket for the County. We will find out in the summer if the grant was obtained
- The 2024-2025 safety recommendation letter was submitted to the town. The official response was that as recommended the solar powered blinking stop signs will be installed at Claremont & Bloomfield; the road markings will be considered in the springtime; and the town is looking into grant funding for the cross-walk at Grove & Hemlock
- Chief Kienan gave update on police activity- motor stops, summons and calls are all increased from last year
- NTSC elections next meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT

- No public comment

Next Meeting - May 14, 2024 at 7.30 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9.15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Abby Chirico
Secretary