

**Traffic Safety Advisory Committee  
City of Apple Valley  
July 9, 2014  
7:00 p.m. Municipal Center**

**Minutes**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Arthur Zimmerman

Members Present: Todd Blomstrom, Charles Grawe, Mitch Scott, Joe Shaw,  
Laura Turek, Arthur Zimmerman

Members Absent: Linda Dolan

Consultants/Alternates Present: Dave Bennett

Others Present: Judy Shirk

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Mr. Scott moved, second by Mr. Grawe to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed 6-0.

3. Audience Items

There were no audience items.

4. Approval of May 14, 2014 Minutes

MOTION: Mr. Blomstrom moved, second by Mr. Shaw, to approve the Minutes of May 14, 2014 as presented. Motion passed 6-0.

5A. Resident Concern about Sightline at 144<sup>th</sup> Street and Johnny Cake Ridge Road

Mr. Bennett reported that after talking with the property owner about moving the fence back slightly to improve the sightline at the intersection, the property owner was not interested in moving the fence. A remaining option would involve relocating the trail near the intersection so that it is closer to the street and further away from the fence that obstructs the visibility. Mr.

Bennett suggested that there may be other similar situations at intersections of collector and local streets around the City and it would be prudent to inventory the number of similar situations with visibility issues before committing to potentially expensive policy solutions.

#### 5B. Resident Concern about Speeding Traffic on 144<sup>th</sup> Street and Everest Way

Mr. Bennett reported results of the traffic studies conducted in May and June with average daily traffic counts of 279 and 230 in May and 224 and 216 in June. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds were 29 and 32 miles per hour. The results of the study do not support the theory that there is an increase in cut-through traffic when the waterpark is open in the summer months. He noted that the situation may have changed this year with the addition of the nearby four-way stop on 147<sup>th</sup> Street and Johnny Cake Ridge Road.

#### 5C. Resident Concerns about Pedestrian Crossing at 157<sup>th</sup> Street and France Way

Mr. Scott reported that he talked with the bus company and they are looking at adding another bus stop on the south side of 157<sup>th</sup> Street, eliminating the need for students to cross 157<sup>th</sup> Street to reach a bus stop.

#### 5D. Resident Concern about Parking on Hayes Road

Mr. Bennett reported the results of traffic studies on Hayes Road. At the location just south of 140<sup>th</sup> Street, the average daily traffic count decreased from 3,050 in 2010 to 2,700 in 2014. However, the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed at this location increased significantly from 27 miles per hour in 2010 to 37 miles per hour in 2014. At the location just north of County Road 42, the average daily traffic count increased from 3,150 in 2010 to 3,300 in 2014. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds also increased at this location from 34 to 40 miles per hour. There were 24 vehicle crashes reported on that mile stretch of Hayes Road over the past 10 years, but six of those were at the intersection of 140<sup>th</sup> Street, leaving 18 crashes at other points along Hayes.

Mr. Bennett recommended working with the Parks and Recreation Department to avoid over-scheduling facilities at the nearby Hayes Complex. Mr. Scott said the Police Department will increase enforcement efforts to deal with the speeding. Mr. Blomstrom said he would look into options for discouraging vehicles from parking too close to the pedestrian crosswalk.

## 6A. Other Traffic Concerns Communicated to the City of Apple Valley

### Police Concerns

Mr. Scott said new traffic control for the Freedom Days fireworks show was successful.

### Public Works Concerns

Mr. Bennett reported a concern over one or more vehicles parked on the grass boulevard on 138<sup>th</sup> Street. The concern is this may be a place that BRT riders may be tempted to park as it is a relatively short distance north of a station. There was brief discussion about possible parking restrictions for the south side of 138<sup>th</sup> Street.

MOTION: Mr. Blomstrom moved, second by Mr. Scott, to recommend prohibiting parking on the south side of 138<sup>th</sup> Street between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, contingent upon no objections from the property owners on the north side of 138<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion passed 6-0.

## 6B. Educational Issues

Mr. Bennett distributed crash data.

Ms. Turek noted speed enforcement initiatives in July and DWI initiatives in August.

## 7. Adjourn

MOTION: Mr. Scott moved, second by Mr. Blomstrom, to adjourn. Motion passed 6-0. Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.