

**Traffic Safety Advisory Committee  
City of Apple Valley  
March 11, 2015  
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: John Bermel, Todd Blomstrom, Linda Dolan, Charles Grawe, Joe Shaw, Laura Turek, Arthur Zimmerman

Members Absent:

Consultants/Alternates Present:

Others Present: Susan Young

2. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Dolan requested the addition of an educational item on school projects.

MOTION: Ms. Dolan moved, second by Mr. Bermel to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed 7-0.

3. Audience Items

There were no audience items.

4. Approval of January 14, 2015 Minutes

MOTION: Mr. Grawe moved, second by Mr. Shaw, to approve the Minutes of January 14, 2015 as presented. Motion passed 6-0. (Ms. Dolan abstained)

5A. Proposed Stop Signs along Dorchester Trail at Dover Drive

Mr. Blomstrom presented a report prepared by former Assistant City Engineer Dave Bennett. Dorchester Trail functions as a low-volume neighborhood collector roadway. The intersections along Dorchester Trail are currently

uncontrolled. Mr. Bennett found that there were some obstructions at the intersections with Durango Place (which also has a significant elevation change approaching the intersection) and Dover Drive. Mr. Bennett recommended the installation of stop signs for traffic on Durango Place, Dover Drive, and Driftwood Lane at intersections with Dorchester Trail.

MOTION: Ms. Dolan moved, second by Mr. Bermel, to recommend the installation of stop signs as recommended by the engineer. Motion passed 7-0.

#### 5B. Receive Garden View Drive Traffic Data

Mr. Blomstrom distributed the traffic data and noted that it is very consistent with data collected in the recent past.

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

##### Police Concerns

Mr. Bermel reported a pedestrian fatality at the controlled intersection of 142<sup>nd</sup> Street and Pilot Knob Road. The pedestrian was hit in a crosswalk by a vehicle making a left-hand turn. Preliminary analysis suggests that the angle of the sun may have been a factor.

##### Public Works Concerns

Mr. Blomstrom noted that there may be some modifications to the double left turn lanes at 157<sup>th</sup> Street and Cedar Avenue.

#### 6B. Educational Issues

##### 1. Toward Zero Deaths Information

Ms. Young made a presentation on the Toward Zero Deaths initiative. She noted that the goal of the initiative is to reduce traffic fatalities to zero. When the initiative started, traffic fatalities in Minnesota were around 600 per year. They are now slightly below 400 per year.

##### 2. School Project Information

Ms. Dolan provided information about an initiative with the school DECA program to increase awareness among students and parents of a new law requiring more parental involvement in the driver's education process.

#### 7. Adjourn

MOTION: Mr. Bermel moved, second by Mr. Shaw, to adjourn. Motion passed 6- 0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.