

MINUTES
Street & Safety Committee Meeting
September 28, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the EMS Building on Baker Road.

Members present were Mike Berger, Cory Griesdorn, and Todd Dammeyer. Also, in attendance were Village Administrator Michael Busse, Mayor Jeff A. Subler, citizens; Cheryl Magoto, Jenny Hamilton, Dean Treon, Margie Treon, Matt Martin, and Susan Martin.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Todd Dammeyer, seconded by Mike Berger. Vote: all yeas.

The minutes from the August 14, 2020 meeting were reviewed and approved upon a motion by Todd Dammeyer, seconded by Mike Berger. All yeas.

The floor was opened to Public Discussion concerning the possibility of increased traffic in the area of Maples Street and East Ward Street. A comment was made by Susan Martin that approximately 25 years ago a stop sign was in place on E. Ward Street at Maple Street. Mrs. Martin noted that it was removed at that time and never replaced. Mr. and Mrs. Martin commented that they felt the general speed of traffic in that area was too high and something needed to be done about it. Village Administrator Busse had provided exhibits to the group showing a proposed stop sign on E. Ward St. at Maple Street. Mr. Busse asked the group if anyone was opposed to adding a stop sign on East Ward Street at Maple Street. No one present at the meeting objected to the proposed stop sign. It was suggested to the board that not only the stop sign on East Ward Street be added but it was also proposed that stop signs be added on Maple Street headed south and East Ward St. on both the east and west sides of the roadway. Mr. Busse suggested to the Board that it would be less confusing to make the intersection of E. Ward St. in Maple Street a three-way stop instead of their proposed two-way stop. The board agreed. There was no objection to the proposed three-way stop from the citizens group in attendance. It was however discussed that the State of Ohio revised code has a requirement for a no parking area within 30 feet approaching him a stop sign. This would eliminate some on street parking with the addition of the proposed stop signs.

The board discussed the fact that the Village intends to widen Maple Street as part of next year's repaving program. Mr. Busse informed the group that during the initial discussions on the re-widening project it was noted that it would probably require curb and gutter on the east side of Maple Street. Maple Street would also have to be milled to adjust the street profile and repaved to allow for proper drainage. It was also noted that the installation of sidewalks along Maple Street should be considered as part of the Maple Street improvement project.

At the end of the open discussion. Mr. Dammeyer made a motion to recommend to council to install the following traffic control devices: The intersection of East Ward and Maple Street should be made a three-way stop by adding one stop sign on East Ward St. at Maple Street, two stop signs located on both the east and west sides of the roadway on Maple Street at East Ward Street for southbound traffic, and one stop sign on Maple Street at East Ward Street for northbound traffic. A 25-mph sign will also be added on Maple Street just north of East Wood Street. Mr. Berger seconded the motion. Vote: all yea. None opposed.

With no further business to conduct, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mike Berger, seconded by Todd Dammeyer. Vote: all yea.

Meeting adjourned.

Street Committee Chairman

Michael Busse, Village Administrator