

**MINUTES**  
**TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**  
**June 15, 2016**  
**City Council Chambers**

A meeting of the Transportation Commission was called to order by Commission Chairman, Andrew Celentano at 7:08 p.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 in the Council Chambers at Woodstock City Hall.

A roll call was taken.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:** Caron Wenzel, Mark Indyke, Susan Hudson, Jason Osborne and Chairman Andrew Celantano.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Public Works Director Jeff Van Landuyt and Chief Deputy Clerk Jane Howie

**OTHERS PRESENT:** None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Correction on page 1 under Transmittals: “He noted France has 22.2 round-about per 1,000 **intersections** ...”

Motion by C. Wenzel, second by J. Osborne to accept the May 11, 2016 Special Meeting Minutes with above correction. Ayes: C. Wenzel, M. Indyke, S. Hudson, J. Osborne and Chairman A. Celantano. Nays: None. Absentees: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

**FLOOR DISCUSSION:**

1. Public Comments: None.
2. Commission Comments: None.

When the Commission reviews the bicycle plan, they should check on the bike path.

**TRANSMITTALS: (no discussion or action requested).**

1. Will robot cars drive traffic congestion off a cliff? Article – NW Herald 5/16/2016

J. Osborne went to Transport Chicago, at UIC once per year, modeling of all things future. Transition of connective vehicles – awareness of what other vehicles are doing such as traffic flow, can provide alternative routes if areas are congested. Methodology. Commercial vehicles, freight companies are very interested. The Commission discussed options, the change in the model of vehicle ownership, cooperative vs vehicle ownership,

perhaps a vehicle service similar to cellphone service companies; rental vs buying. What about driving in slippery conditions? Could these vehicles 'know' when to pull over in slick conditions, or find a safer route where streets have been salted or plowed? Preparation right now is research traffic volumes, how disruptive would these services be? Based on transit modes. Uber has approximately 35,000 part time workers. Next jump could be to robot cars. Presentations are online.

2. RTA Brochure – Applying for ADA Paratransit Service

3. Pace Brochure – Driving Development for Economic Growth

A. Celentano said they're trying to make transportation the beginning of the conversation. This might lead to businesses with municipal partnerships. Transportation would be considered during the decision making process. J. Osborne said Woodstock has the sidewalk component to consider in addition to the transportation element. At the beginning of the planning stage, they sometimes just look at the plans instead of looking at the big picture.

4. Status Update – Bike path extension along U.S. Rt. 14

5. PLTW (Project Lead the Way) – Copy of Bus Route Plan

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Microbus – this item was not discussed at this meeting. This will be added to a future agenda, if needed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Crosswalks on IL Rte. 47

The Commission thanked J. Van Landuyt for putting together this information; Crosswalks on IL Rt. 47.

J. Osborne asked if STP could be considered.

A. Celentano asked if the City would have to get grants before the road is torn up. J. Van Landuyt said yes, this is correct.

Crosswalks are basic safety. The Commission wants to recommend this project.

Commission members discussed important areas for crosswalks and prioritized as follows:

1. Rte 47 & Lake Avenue
2. Mid -block crossing at Calhoun Street
3. Country Club Road at Rt 47
4. Judd & Irving Avenue at Rt 47

The Commission strongly recommends four crosswalks at the above locations. All members are strongly in favor. Motion carried.

“After the widening of Rte 47 ...” A. Celentano wants to share this information.

J. Osborne wants to know how to get the City to stress the importance of these immediate needs to the State of IL. J. Van Landuyt believes that the State is including crosswalks at the roundabout locations. J. Van Landuyt will present this information to the City Manager’s Office.

Community Circulator: the Commission likes this, but we’d need the crosswalk at Calhoun Street first. Lunch circulator would be important. A. Celentano asked if the county would be interested in something like this. They already have a contract with MCRide. Those are the ballpark costs, other than the cost of the bus, and the 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph has the cost of the driver. A. Celentano is interested in forwarding this information to the City Manager.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. Continued discussion about crossing IL Rte. 47 (bicycle/pedestrians) July 2016
2. Loading & unloading Zones in the Downtown
3. Update of Master Bicycle Plan – Chapter 1, August 2016

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by SH, second by CW to adjourn the Meeting of the Transportation Commission. Ayes: Caron Wenzel, Mark Indyke, Susan Hudson, Jason Osborne and Chairman Andrew Celantano. Nays: None. Absentees: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM. The Commission agreed to cancel their July 20, 2016 meeting and to resume for a regular meeting of the Transportation Commission on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Howie  
Chief Deputy Clerk