

**CITY OF WOODSTOCK
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
November 18 2015
City Council Chambers**

The regular meeting of the Woodstock Transportation Commission was called to order at 7:04 PM by Chairman Andrew Celentano on Wednesday, November 18 2015 in Council Chambers at City Hall.

A roll call was taken.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Andrew Celentano, Caron Wenzel, Jason Osborn (arrived @ 7:10 PM), Susan Hudson, Mark Indyke.

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Director of Public Works Jeff Van Landuyt

OTHERS PRESENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Susan Hudson, second by Caron Wenzel to accept the October 21, 2015 Special Meeting minutes with the following changes:

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Ayes: Caron Wenzel, Susan Hudson, Andrew Celentano. Nays: None. Absentees: Jason Osborne. Abstentions: Mark Indyke. Motion carried.

FLOOR DISCUSSION:

1. Public Comments
None.

2. Commission Comments

A. Celentano mentioned that he met with the PLTW students two weeks ago. He was fortunate to get Todd Nelson who is Vice President of the McHenry County Bicycle Advocates to talk with the students about the Divvy program. T. Nelson felt that the Woodstock Community may not be big enough to support a Divvy program. It would however, be appropriate for large events that partner with the City. S. Hudson said it would be good to see what size community would be favorable to support a Divvy program. What is the cut-off? J. Osborne said that Oak Park is about the same size geographically as Woodstock but is more dense population wise. The key to a good location for Divvy is access to and availability of other forms of transportation. A. Celentano stated that students are conducting a survey and they are working to get a link onto the City's website. In addition to T. Nelson, Police Officer Jeremy Mortimer came and spoke to the students about safety and security as it relates to this type of business. The students are also working on a marker system along the trail so that someone could identify their location in case they needed an emergency response.

A. Celentano asked J. Van Landuyt about the Public Transportation Advisory Committee meeting he attended at the County level earlier today. J. Van Landuyt said the Committee discussed adding a taxi component to MCRide program. They talked about the use of a ride share program like UBER. There are a lot of things that still need to be worked out. J. Osborne said there are contracts, insurance and also a liability risk when providing this type of service. Someone would need to screen the cab companies. With

PACE, you just need to write a check and let them manage the service. Townships provide some caregiver type ride services.

TRANSMITTALS: (No discussion or action requested)

1. September 2015 Pace Ridership Report.
A. Celentano feels that the reports are difficult to determine whether ridership is up or down. Its hard to compare from month to month. S. Hudson recommended that the information be presented in a manner that is cumulative. A. Celentano feels that ridership should be higher. More marketing would benefit the program.
2. House Kills Proposition to up Truck Weight – Highways, November 4, 2015.
A. Celentano found article to be very interesting. He mentioned that voting this down would be favorable for the roads but maybe not so favorable for commerce.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Consideration of Transportation Plan Revisions – all chapters.
A. Celentano asked if anyone had comments about the updated plan. S. Hudson said that the 3rd & 5th bullet point on page 59 need to be integrated or one eliminated. They are both very similar. Otherwise it looks good. J. Osborne said that he was glad to see the plan as a whole. A. Celentano said that he thought S. Hudson’s report on missing sidewalks should be incorporated in the plan somewhere. C. Wenzel suggested that a summary be developed saying it exists and just add it as an addendum and S. Hudson agreed. A. Celentano indicated that the Rt. 807 & 808 bus schedules are from 2004 and they need to be updated. The Commission asked that the following be looked into: make sure that the attached Chapter 10 of the Comprehensive Plan titled “Circulation” is most current version, replace Exhibit 3 titled “Sidewalk Priorities for Schools & Parks with S. Hudson’s new sidewalk material, and that Exhibit 4 titled “Pace Bus Routes” includes the most current information.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Alternate ways to get across IL Rt. 47.
Not discussed

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Student Presentation – Divvy Program – December 2015
2. Alternate ways to get across IL Rt. 47 – January 2016

ADJOURN:

Motion by Mark Indyke, second by Susan Hudson to adjourn @ 7:49 PM to a Special Meeting December 9, 2015 @ 7:00 PM. Ayes: Chairman Andrew Celentano, Mark Indyke, Caron Wenzel, Jason Osborn, Susan Hudson. Nays: None. Absentees: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Van Landuyt
Staff Liaison to the Transportation Commission