

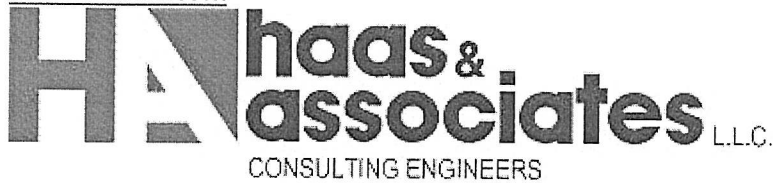
**Teresa Ludlow**

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**Attach:** TC Mtg Attachment 20110712.pdf; LaPorte City Traffic Commission 20110712.pdf  
**Subject:** July 12, 2011 Traffic Commission minutes  
Teresa,

The above subject minutes have been approved and are attached for your posting on the website.

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## LaPorte City Traffic Commission

The July meeting of the LaPorte City Traffic Commission was held on July 12, 2011, in the Police Station conference room. The following members were present:

A.C. Pressler, Chairman	Andrea Renner (for Goot Logwood)
Rob Sabie	Jim Simon
Mike Frazee	Jim Maurer, Secretary
Terry Scherer	

The following items summarize the meeting:

1. The minutes of the last Traffic Commission meeting (June 7, 2011) were approved.
2. Mayor Chrobak is scheduling another meeting of the Downtown Parking Committee, to consider the Traffic Commission recommendations to (1) eliminate 50% of the restricted parking spaces in the City's Monroe St. parking lot and (2) reconsider all of the 2 hour parking restrictions in downtown LaPorte.
3. No action has yet been taken by the Board of Public Works, concerning the Traffic Commission recommendation for children playing signs on each side (2) of the intersection of Greenleaf and Fairfield.
4. The City ordinance for the stop sign midway on Feikes Blvd. has been repealed and the sign has been removed.
5. The Board of Public Works has approved the recommended lane revisions on Jefferson Ave., on the west side of Indiana Ave., to create a right-turn lane. The lane revisions have not yet been painted.
6. In response to the Traffic Commission's "tabling" of a request for stop signs on K St., at the 4<sup>th</sup> St. intersection, the local residents have requested the installation of children playing signs on K St. After a brief discussion, Jim Maurer made a motion to recommend installation of a children playing sign on each side of K St., on each side of the 4<sup>th</sup> Street intersection (2 signs total). Jim Simon seconded the motion and it passed by vote of the Commission members. The exact location of the signs would be determined by the Street Department. Mike Frazee will present this recommendation to the Board of Public Works.
7. The recently installed no parking restrictions on the south side of Ohio St., on each side of the alley between Rumley and Scott Streets, was discussed in detail again, with local residents involved. This discussion is summarized as follows:
  - a. Doug Stephani advised that Waste Management will not consider replacing the dumpster in the alley with individual garbage can pickup for his 4 tenant apartment building on Rumley St.
  - b. Mike Smith, 908 Rumley St., advised that 5 vehicles presently park in the alley and the need to have room for vehicle passage into and out of the alley at Ohio St. will continue, even after his property sells and his work truck and trailer are gone.
  - c. Parking restrictions between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. only, were mentioned and Mike Smith advised that he could "live with" such restrictions.
  - d. A 30 ft. total no parking distance is required in front of the fire hydrant on the south side of Ohio St.

- e. Zack Gallik, 505 Ohio St., presented a dimensioned sketch (attached) of the south side of Ohio St., including on each side of the alley.
- f. Several of the local residents who want the parking restrictions eliminated have numerous cars.

Terry Scherer then made a motion to leave the present parking restrictions in effect, as they are the best solution to a very difficult situation, until a better solution is presented. Mike Frazee seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote of the Commission. Andrea Renner advised that she will talk to Waste Management about preceding item 7.a.

- 8. The possible change of Grove St. to one-way traffic was discussed again, with Mr. Broddus, the manager of Walgreens. Mr. Broddus advised and explained that a change to one-way traffic on Grove St., in either direction, would adversely affect his customers and delivery trucks. The previous comments of the local residents at a public hearing, the School Transportation Director, Waste Management and the City Engineer were briefly discussed. Rob Sabie then made a motion to take no action on a possible change in the 2-way traffic on Grove St. Mike Frazee seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote of the Commission. A.C. Pressler will advise the School Transportation Director and Waste Management of this decision.
- 9. A local resident has requested a stop sign on Central Ave. at Illinois St., to control traffic speed. It was mentioned that this is a very low traffic intersection and also stop signs are not to be installed to control traffic speed. Rob Sabie then made a motion to take no action on this request. Jim Simon seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote of the Commission. A.C. Pressler will advise the local resident of this decision.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

James H. Maurer, Secretary

- PAINTED PARKING SPACES ON  
UNLAWWAY MEASURE 23'

- NOT DRAWN TO SCALE.

SCOTT ST

RUMBLEY ST

