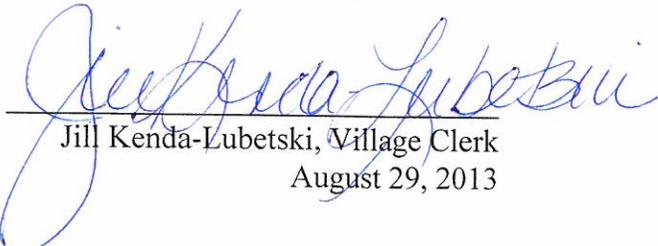


**TRAFFIC & PUBLIC SAFETY
COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, September 5, 2013
Earl McGovern Board Room; 6:30 P.M.**



PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a meeting of the Traffic and Public Safety Committee will be held at the Village Hall of the Village of Brown Deer, 4800 West Green Brook Drive, Brown Deer, Wisconsin at the above noted time and date, at which the following items of business will be discussed and possibly acted upon:

- I. Roll Call
- II. Persons Desiring to be Heard
- III. Consideration of Minutes: August 8, 2013
- IV. Report of Staff/Committee Members
- V. Old Business
 - A. Third Review of Parking Restrictions at North 51st Street and West Green Brook Drive.
- VI. New Business
 - None
- VII. Adjournment



Jill Kenda-Lubetski, Village Clerk
August 29, 2013

PERSONS REQUIRING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING SHOULD CONTACT THE VILLAGE CLERK AT LEAST ONE BUSINESS DAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

BROWN DEER TRAFFIC AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

AUGUST 8, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

HELD AT THE BROWN DEER VILLAGE HALL

4800 WEST GREEN BROOK DRIVE

BROWN DEER, WISCONSIN

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Boschert at 6:30 PM.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Trustee Boschert, Roger Gordon, Mike Kass, Alicia Lemke, Bob Wazniak, Neil Wood

Not Present: Trustee Weddle-Henning

Also Present: Steven Rinzel, Chief of Police; Matthew Maederer, Department of Public Works Supervisor; Nancy Hoppe, Executive Secretary to Chief of Police

II. PERSONS DESIRING TO BE HEARD

Persons in attendance wished to reserve their comments during the appropriate section on the agenda.

III. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: June 6, 2013 Meeting

It was moved by Mrs. Lemke, and seconded by Mr. Kass to approve the June 6, 2013 meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. REPORT OF STAFF/COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chief Rinzel reported the department has been involved in a substantial investigation involving a Charter School employee and that the Investigative Bureau has been working many hours to gather all the needed details and complainants. Chief Rinzel stated that entry level patrol officer interviews with the Police Commission had recently taken place and that seven candidates would be going on to Command Staff interviews. Chief Rinzel reported that he would be attending the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association Summer Conference in Green Bay. Mike Kass inquired about the planned moving of the Park and Ride for the 49 Freeway Flyer; Chief Rinzel reported it is being handled through the Village Manager's Office. Mr. Maederer reported that the Freeway Flyer would follow Route 12.

Mr. Maederer stated that the Department of Public Works would be placing some signage in the construction area in the original Brown Deer Village due to vehicle traffic and they will also be utilizing water for dust control when needed.

V. OLD BUSINESSA. Second Review of Parking Restrictions at North 51st Street and West Green Brook Drive

Chief Rinzel advised a second review of the area was conducted. He reported the main issue was that the Dance Academy of Arts wants more parking areas and due to Village Ordinances it would not be feasible. Mr. Maederer reported that staff had met with the owners of the Dance Academy of Arts to propose the driveway area be changed for a flow to enter and drop off attendants from West Green Brook Drive and then exit only onto North 51st Street. When asked if gravel could be placed on the north side of the property and Mrs. Stammer, the co-owner of the facility, stated the floors are made of rubber and gravel would not be an appropriate option.

Mr. Jason Stammer, co-owner of the Dance Academy of Arts opined many options could be available to include crosswalks and further stated that signage could be placed for drivers to be aware of the pedestrian traffic. Trustee Boschert stated one main concern was the double-parking issue and that another was the issue of no lighting and children not crossing in appropriate areas (i.e. between cars). Amelia Ferrante, a non-resident instructor at the dance facility, inquired why crosswalks were not put in when the facility first moved in. Chief Rinzel reported that when the business came to the area, they were advised by the Planning Commission that parking concerns were an issue. Mr. Stammer stated when they moved into the area they were planning on utilizing the street parking. Ms. Ferrante stated she drove around Brown Deer and noted many areas that had only 15 feet of non-parking near corners. Tim Catlett, a non-resident parent of student, stated the safety of the children issue falls apart because the Village has not followed through on parking issues throughout the Village and opined that the Village has just honed in on this particular area. Trustee Boschert stated many issues were taking place.

Mr. Stammer stated that he and his wife were never called back to the meetings of this committee or any other. He then distributed a proposal for a crosswalk to the committee and asked for review. Melanie Beres; a non-resident, has been attending the academy for over 15 years in both locations. She was inquiring what the Academy could do to help with traffic flow at the start and end of classes. Mr. Stammer opined that the liability was on the Village.

Denise Hamilton, a non-resident parent, stated she has had children at the Academy for over 17 years; and while she is at the Academy she does spend her time supporting Brown Deer businesses. Scott Peterson stated he was a Village resident and inquired if the Village could help out by putting some type of pathway from the business to the westernmost parking lot of the Village Hall. Mr. Stammer stated they were mortgaged to the hilt on the property and right now they are not able to update any of their property at this time.

Trustee Boschert stated the committee would like to review the possibility of a crosswalk in the area. It would be sent back to staff for further review and other possible alternatives.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Parking Restrictions on West Dean Road at North 54th Street to North 60th Street
- B. Turning Restrictions from Brown Deer Elementary School Parking Lots onto West Dean Road and North 60th Street

Chief Rinzel provided a map with all the proposed changes for parking restrictions on West Dean Road and the proposed restrictions. When asked if crossing guards would still be in the area; Dr. Kerr advised they would be retained in the area that they have remained. Dr. Kerr, School Superintendent, advised the release times would be staggered. When asked about alternative pick-up plans, Ms. Smith, Elementary School Principal, reported that specific tags would be provided to match the pick-up times. Discussion took place of multiple issues regarding the construction.

It was moved by Mrs. Lemke, and seconded by Mr. Gordon to recommend to the Village Board the approval of a "Right Turn Only" sign at the driveway from the school to access North 60th Street (driveway behind school) in order to force traffic flow north out of school. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mrs. Lemke, and seconded by Mr. Wazniak to recommend to the Village Board the approval of a "Right Turn Only" sign at the driveway from the school to access West Dean Road in order to force traffic flow east out of the school parking lot. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mrs. Lemke, and seconded by Mr. Kass to recommend to the Village Board the approval of "No Parking" signs on the north side of West Dean Road between North 60th Street and North 57th Street. (Parking on the south side of West Dean Road between North 60th Street and North 55th Street is already prohibited by statute). The motion carried unanimously.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Wazniak and seconded by Mr. Kass to adjourn at 7:36 PM. The motion carried unanimously.



Steven C. Rinzel, Chief of Police



**COMMUNITY
SERVICES
DEPARTMENT**

MEMO

To: Traffic and Public Safety Committee
From: Steven Rinzel, Police Chief; Matthew Maederer, Public Works Superintendent; Nate Piotrowski, Community Development Director
Subject: Update on conversations with Dance Academy, 9035 N. 51st Street regarding parking
Date: 8/29/13
CC:

The Police Chief, Public Works Superintendent and Community Development Director have met with Mr. Jason Stammer of the Dance Academy on two recent occasions to discuss parking options for his business.

At these two meetings Staff provided feedback as to current Village ordinance which prohibits parking within 30' of a driveway in a manufacturing zone (the Dance Academy is in such a zone). Further it was discussed that this provision was not newly created, however signs were recently placed to allow for the enforcement of the requirement. Staff then detailed why parking restrictions were recently adopted for the south side of W. Green Brook Drive due to concern for students crossing the street mid-block to reach the Dance Academy. It was noted that this restriction is similar to newly adopted changes near the Brown Deer School campus.

Staff also provided alternative options to Mr. Stammer that would allow for more parking opportunities near his business. These options included:

- 1) Temporary allowance (18 months) of the use of gravel to create a larger off-street parking field.
- 2) Use of the Village Hall/Pond parking lot which the DPW agreed to plow during winter months. The distance from this lot's driveway to the Dance Academy door is approximately 320 feet.
- 3) Identified the locations where "on-street" parking is still allowed on the north side of W. Green Brook Drive and the east side of N. 51st Street.

Finally, as part of the discussions, Staff reviewed parking lot designs provided by Mr. Stammer



and offered multiple options that met Village Code and provided the safest ingress and egress. This feedback included ideas for the expansion of the lot to the east as well as possibilities for a drop off/pick up lane adjacent to the front of the building exiting onto 51st Street.

At this point Staff believes that every effort has been taken to provide alternatives to the Dance Academy for on and off site parking. Staff does not recommend further changes to the adjacent street parking ordinances because of the precedent it would set with respect to the manufacturing zone and the visibility and safety issues it would create. Finally, as written in the conditional use permit, if deficiencies in parking are identified the applicant needs to create additional parking spaces. Staff believes that additional “off-street” spaces are now needed.