

**MINUTES
TRAFFIC AND SAFETY BOARD**

7:00 PM

Thursday

January 20, 2011

Chairperson Chiara called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Chiara, Leppanen, McGowan, Reynolds, Schulz (ex-officio)

ABSENT: None

PREVIOUS MINUTES:

A motion was made by Mr. Reynolds, seconded by Mr. McGowan, to accept the minutes of the November 18, 2010. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Crossing Guard

Director Schulz advised the board that a request was made to the Road Commission of Oakland County (RCOC) to have the recommended changes made at the intersection of Farmington Road and Colfax. At the time of the meeting, RCOC had not responded back to the email request.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Snow Removal Along Grand River

Several of the board members reported slipping while trying to get from parking spots along Grand River onto the sidewalk in the downtown area. Board members would like the DDA informed of the situation that causes parked motorists to walk on Grand River until they reach a shoveled path to the sidewalk. The director will communicate the concern to the DDA.

B. Review Farmington Road Traffic Study

At this time, there is no action to be taken by the Traffic and Safety Board. A copy of the completed study will be forwarded to all board members when it is completed.

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C. Election of Officers

Chiara nominated McGowan for Chairperson, seconded by Leppanen. No further nominations. McGowan was elected.

Chiara nominated Leppanen for vice-chairperson, seconded by Reynolds. No further nominations. Leppanen was elected.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Leppanen questioned if the public safety department was receiving complaints about the downtown crosswalk signs and motorists not obeying them? The department has only received a few complaints, but far more compliments.

McGowan would like to know if the city was going to review the ordinance that prohibited soliciting in the street? The city will be reviewing the ordinance as Farmington Hills now allows it with waivers being signed. The director will update the board in the future on the review.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Leppanen and seconded by Chiara to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting concluded at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Schulz
Public Safety Director