

INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF GARDEN CITY  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

TRAFFIC COMMISSION AGENDA  
MEETING OF APRIL 21, 2016

AGENDA FOR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING  
THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2016 7:00 P.M. at Village Hall

1. Approve Minutes of March 17, 2016.
2. Formal Agenda

A. DEFERRED AGENDA

**1. Letter from William Bellmer of 156 Poplar Street.**

Mr. Bellmer states that the LIRR Bridge on Cherry Valley Avenue continues to get hit by unobservant over-height trucks. The bridge is marked for 10-foot, 4-inch clearance, which means that the actual bridge height is 11-foot, 4-inches. A prior proposal to install tell-tales in advance of the bridge was not approved. Warning chevrons attached to the edge of the bridge and flashing bridge-height signs at the sides of the roadway have not eliminated the problem, as evidenced by the damage to the chevrons. Each time an accident occurs, multiple Garden City Police are required to direct traffic and oversee debris clearance. The LIRR is also involved in determining that the bridge has not been damaged. If the actual bridge clearance were to be 14-feet, the Federal Highway Administration standard, no signs would be necessary, and no accidents would occur. Cherry Valley Avenue is a County Road. He states it should be worthwhile to ask the County to investigate whether this proposal is feasible, and if so, to implement it to finally solve this long-term problem. In addition, Mr. Bellmer states that trucks might then be able to be diverted from using Cathedral Avenue. This letter was sent to the Police Department and Central Property Owners' Association. This letter was approved to be put on the Agenda by the Central Property Owners' Association.

DECISION: Chairman Robert Bolebruch is to discuss this issue with Legislator Laura Schaefer.

NOTE: Letter was sent to Mr. Kevin Davitt of LIRR from Trustee Bolebruch stating that this matter was discussed with Legislator Laura Schaefer who referred it to the LIRR to coordinate this issue with Nassau County Department of Public Works.

DECISION: At the Traffic Commission meeting of December 17, 2015 this item was deferred, awaiting response.

DECISION: Trustee Bolebruch indicated that Kevin Davitt/LIRR letter indicated that LIRR Engineering reviewed the letter and indicated that this would be a major project and not budgeted. Mr. Bellmer to write a new letter to the Traffic Commission, which the Village will forward to the LIRR and Nassau County.

DECISION: Letter sent to Nassau County Commissioner of Public Works on January 29, 2016.

NOTE: Latest letter sent to Nassau County by Trustee Bolebruch dated March 29, 2016 requesting that the roadway be lowered.

**2. Letters from Patricia Donnelly and Ann Compton of Cherry Valley Apartments.**

Ms. Donnelly and Ms. Compton are writing about the Cherry Valley Apartments Traffic Problems on West Street, 15th Street and Cherry Valley Avenue.

Chairman Bolebruch has authorized this item to be put on the Agenda.

DECISION: At the Traffic Commission Meeting of March 17, 2016, this item was deferred and Mrs. Donnelly and Mrs. Compton (who both attended the meeting) were told to get recommendation from Cherry Valley Board.

NOTE: Attached are Parking Ticket Totals for Vicinity of Cherry Valley Apartments from February 2015 through February 2016 from the Garden City Police Department.

**ADDITIONAL CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter dated March 30, 2016 from Ann Compton, President of Cherry Valley Apartments, Inc. with the recommendations from the Board.

**3.E-Mail from Angela LoRusso concerned about Stewart Avenue Intersection.**

Attached please find e-mail from Angela LoRusso regarding the traffic danger at the corner of New Hyde Park Road and Stewart Avenue.

Chairman Bolebruch has authorized this item to be put on the Agenda.

DECISION: Defer to Western Property Owners' Association with recommendation of No Right Turn on Red East/West on Stewart. Letter to Nassau County to check the timing of light.

NOTE: E-mail was sent to Sheila Dukacz of Nassau County (copy attached) asking for the traffic signal timing to be checked.

**B. NEW BUSINESS.**

**1. E-Mail from Chamber of Commerce concerning Lot 7S.**

They are proposing asking the Traffic Commission to eliminate all 3 hour spots and conversion of the 18 spots to two hour spots. They would also propose the creation of two short term 15 minute spots at the midpoint between the handicapped spots in the one hour row. The Chamber of Commerce took an initial survey and found the store owners very receptive.

This e-mail was requested by Dennis Donnelly of the Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Mangan to be put on the Agenda.

**2. E-Mail from Maureen Traxler of the WPOA.**

Ms. Traxler of the WPOA states that on Clinch Avenue by the entrance at the New Hyde Park Railroad Station and the entrance to Clinch opposite the Edgemere firehouse, there are NO TRUCKS signs at each spot. Ms. Traxler also wants to know if there is any way to also indicate that NO BUSES are permitted on Clinch.

Trustee Bolebruch authorized this issue to be put on the Agenda.

**3. Letter from Tricia Schettino of 62 Whitehall Blvd.**

Ms. Schettino requests a four-way stop sign on Whitehall Blvd. at the intersection of Salisbury Avenue. She submitted a computer petition with the e-mail.

This letter and petition was sent to the Estates POA for review.

Trustee Bolebruch authorized this issue to be put on the Agenda.

**4. Discussion of Process and Protocols Authorized by Trustee Richard Silver.**

Trustee Silver wishes to discuss the process and protocols of the Traffic Commission.

Handwritten signature of Robert J. Mangan in cursive, with the initials "CM" written above the signature.

Robert J. Mangan, P.E.  
Director of Public Works

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