

**PARKING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
MOTION SUMMARY
January 4, 2016**

ITEM 1. ROLL CALL

Chairman Shafer called the special Parking and Safety Committee meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Councilman Chris Jones, Vice-Chairwoman Lisa Keller, and Chairman Kent Shafer

Council Members Present: Mr. George Hellinger, Mayor Carolyn Riggle

City Staff Present: Bruce Pijanowski, Police Chief, John Donahue, Fire Chief, Lance Schultz, Zoning Administrator, and Jessica Ormeroid, Project Engineer

ITEM 2. APPROVAL of the Motion Summary of the Parking and Safety Committee meeting held November 16, 2015, as recorded and transcribed.

Motion: Mr. Jones moved for the approval of the Motion Summary of the Parking and Safety Committee meeting held November 16, 2015, seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Keller. Motion approved by a 3-0 vote.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Carter Johnson
86 W. Lincoln Avenue
Delaware, Ohio 43015

Mr. Johnson petitioned for signage to be removed in front of his property. Mr. Shafer recommend to have staff make sure sign is in compliance with the code.

ITEM 4. DISCUSSION

- A. A discussion was held on the installation of "No Parking" signage along the north/west side of the curve on Balleter Drive from the west side of Silverwood Drive, to approximately 100 LF south of the 892 Balleter Drive; with parking permission on the south/east side of Balleter Drive through the curve.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Tom Bonacuss
880 Ballater Drive
Delaware, Ohio

Mr. Bonacuss stated he was in agreement with staff recommendations for parking restrictions. Mr. Bonacuss recommends that the walking path on the east side of street is not visible due to landscape mounding and would like to have additional signage stating no parking around the walking path. Staff supportive of the request.

Motion: Vice-Chairwomen Keller moved to restrict parking on the north and west side of Balleter Drive, from Silverwood Drive to the golf cart path, as well as across the street on the east side by golf cart path, seconded by Mr. Jones. Motion approved by a 3-0 vote.

B. A discussion was held on the removal of on street parking in front of the Delaware County Courthouse on North Sandusky Street.

APPLICANT:

John Melvin, Facilities Director
Delaware County
1405 U.S. Route 23 North
Delaware, Ohio

Tom Potts
405 Capitol Street
Charleston, West Virginia

Mr. Melvin discussed the net gains of 151 parking spaces for staff use only. Mr. Melvin discussed the use of surface lots for public parking and that prior to the construction, these spots were utilized by staff only. Mr. Melvin explained that much of staff that park in the Hayes Building surface lot will park in the new secure lot. Mr. Melvin explained that surface lots of the Hayes Building on the east and west side of Union Street are public parking after hours.

Mr. Potts discussed security concerns with allowing parking to remain in front of the courthouse. Mr. Potts discussed potentially extending the curb out on Sandusky Street to make a landscape area.

Mayor Riggle discussed the entrances to the parking garages. Mayor Riggle stated that in a previous meeting with Commissioner Merrell, it was discussed that the County allow the city to use the top levels after hours and on weekends. Mr. Melvin indicated that this agreement is still in the works. Mayor Riggle discussed her preference to allow for public parking in the top levels and not just in the parking lots off of Union Street. A discussion was regarding the need to table the issue until an agreement is finalized.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Scott Miller

103 North Union Street
Delaware, Ohio 43015

Mr. Carter Johnson
86 W. Lincoln Avenue
Delaware, Ohio 43015

Mr. Miller voiced his concern regarding the east/west alley traffic access south of the courthouse. Mr. Miller discussed his open lot to his business is located off this alley. Mr. Miller requested that the alley restrictions for traffic on the alley begin west of his parking lot.

Mr. Johnson voiced his concerns regarding parking lot access behind his church.

Motion: Mr. Jones moved to table the discussion regarding the removal of seven designated parking spots in front of the Delaware County Courthouse on North Sandusky Street until the scheduled February meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Keller. Motion approved by a 3-0 vote.

Motion: Mr. Jones moved that the alley opposite of Court Street will is a two way alley from Union Street to the north/south alley off of Central Ave, and then it shall become a one way alley eastbound to Sandusky Street, seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Keller. Motion approved by a 3-0 vote.

ITEM 5. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

ITEM 6. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Jones moved to adjourn the meeting. The Parking and Safety Committee meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.



Kent Shafer, Chairman



Elaine McCloskey, Clerk