

**East Bradford Township
Traffic Committee
Minutes
February 20, 2014**

A meeting of the Traffic Committee was held on Thursday, February 20, 2014 at 8:00 AM in the Township Building, 666 Copeland School Road, West Chester, PA 19380.

Committee members in attendance were: Ken Cavanaugh, Patrick Davis, Andrew DeFonzo, Eric Ruggeri, Lt. Sam Iacono, Mark Lucas and John Carroll.

Committee members not in attendance: JoAnne Yarnall (arrived at 8:30am)

Public in attendance: Residents Mary Sue Boyle and Richard Gallagher

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 am by Chairman Cavanaugh.

Public Comment: None

Approval of the Minutes:

On motion of Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Ruggeri with everyone in favor, the minutes of the September 19, 2013 meeting were approved.

Re-organization for 2014

Mr. Davis motioned that Mr. Cavanaugh continue as Chairman for 2014, the motion was seconded by Mr. Ruggeri with all in favor. Mr. Cavanaugh motioned that Mr. DeFonzo be Vice Chairman for 2014, the motion was seconded by Mr. Ruggeri with all in favor.

Lenape Road (State Route 52) – Speeding & Accident Concerns - 1000 block

The Traffic Committee reviewed the draft report from Gilmore & Associates, Inc. (Amy Kaminski, P.E.) in reference to the Lenape Road (State Route 52) Safety Evaluation. The report was requested by the township in regards to resident concerns about accidents and speeding in the 1000 block of Lenape Road specifically the curve at 1046 Lenape Road. Mr. Lucas reported that the report is being forwarded to PennDOT and a meeting will be arranged to discuss the options with them. The engineer (Kaminski) feels that the data supports the findings that are in the report; which includes delineators, chevrons, pavement markings, curve signs, pavement skid treatment and shoulder construction. Mr. Lucas said that funding for the recommended improvements may be a split between the township and PennDOT.

Ms. Boyle said that the residents have concerns about speeding and wondered why the section of Rt. 52 area closer to West Chester (north of Birmingham Road) is posted 35 mph and while the area south of Birmingham Road is posted 45 mph. She felt that a speed study should be done to lower the speed limit.

Mr. Davis and Lt. Iacono cautioned that a speed study could increase the posted speed, if the 85 percentile in the speed study is over the current speed limit.

Mr. Gallagher said that his fence is usually the item that is struck when they go off the road and he has spoken with most of the people involved in the accidents. He said that lack of awareness of the approaching curve is the comment he hears most of the time.

Other township Concerns

Mr. Lucas stated that he and the Township Manager Michael Lynch, had met with the PennDOT Chester County maintenance office the day before and that other concerns that were raised with PennDOT. Those concerns were:

Copeland School Road – 600 block-addition of guide rail around the 90 degree bend and also winter maintenance responsibilities.

Stormwater issues – Birmingham Road south of Lenape Road

Crosswalk at Township Campus –Because of the upcoming construction at the township campus, additional delineation is necessary at the crosswalk on Copeland School Road from the parking lot at Copeland School Park. Employee parking will be at the Copeland School Park as well as parking for the Copeland School House. Those who park at the Park will be required to cross Copeland School Road and walk up the driveway to the township building and Copeland Schoolhouse.

Strasburg Rd/Highland Rd – new accident data is requested to see if the improvements that were completed in the summer of 2013 have improved the crossing.

These items will also be discussed with PennDOT 6-0 Traffic Engineering office when the meeting is arranged about the Rt. 52 Study.

On motion of Mr. Davis and second by Mr. Ruggeri, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Tenley F. Adams
Secretary