

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP  
LOCAL TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
August 20, 2015

The East Goshen Township Local Traffic Advisory Committee (LTAC) held a meeting on Thursday, August 20, 2015 at 1:00 pm at the East Goshen Township Building. Members in attendance were: Township Manager Rick Smith; Orth-Rodgers Associates representative Dean Kaiser; Pennoni Associates representative Nathan Cline; and WEGO Police Officer Leo Kennedy. Others present were: Township CFO Jon Altshul; and resident Joe Devine, President, Hershey's Mill Estates HOA.

The meeting was called to order by Rick Smith at 1:00 pm.

No one was recording the meeting.

Minutes of October 29, 2014 were approved as submitted.

The purpose of today's meeting was to discuss the concerns of the residents of Hershey's Mill Estates and review the results of the Traffic Calming Investigation.

Dean reported that they collected data at 3 intersections;

1. Rt. 352 & Tanglewood Dr,
2. Greenhill Rd. & Foxglove La.
3. Hershey's Mill Rd & Tanglewood Dr.

Additional speed data was collected near the intersections of

1. Tanglewood Dr. & Candytuft
2. Tanglewood Dr. & the pool access

The survey was conducted between the hours of 7:00-9:30 am and 4:00-6:00 pm in conjunction with peak traffic periods and class schedules at Immaculata University.

They looked at license plates for cut-throughs and then speed.

Similar studies were done for these locations in 2002 and 2007.

They looked at surrounding conditions; ie, Rt. 352 and King Rd. intersection may be a cause for cut-throughs.

AM cut-throughs were at 48.3% and PM was 6.6%. However, the posted speed limit is 25 mph and the speed investigation found:

- Tanglewood Drive – eastbound – 33 MPH 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed
- Near Candytuft La – westbound – 31 MPH 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed
- Tanglewood Dr near pool access – eastbound 35 MPH 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed
- westbound 32 MPH 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed

Dean feels it is time to go proceed with the process to see if the community wants speed humps installed.

Rick explained that the Committee needs to make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. Notice of the BOS meeting will be sent to the residents. If the BOS agrees that it is time to see what the residents want, then the LTAC would conduct an informational meeting for the residents and a survey will be sent out. The result of the survey must be 70% responding yes to speed humps.

Joe Devine asked Dean if any communities that have speed humps have asked for removal of them. Dean answered that Waterview currently has 5 speed humps and are asking for another. He is not aware of any complaints.

Rick explained that in Hershey's Mill Estates the lots small with driveways close to each other so a speed humps may be in front of someone's home with signs alerting people to the speed hump.

Leo mentioned that, out of the 3 townships the Police Department serves, Westtown has the most traffic complaints. There is one road coming off of Rt. 202 where they give out speeding tickets for 55-60 MPH. He feels getting 70% approval in Hershey's Mill Estates may be a challenge.

Dean spoke about some deflectors that can be used but aren't recommended. He hasn't found any proof that a speed hump decreases property values.

The approximate locations for speed humps are 1523, 1541 & 1566 Tanglewood Dr. The exact locations will be marked on the street by Rick and Dean next week.

It was the consensus of Committee that they would recommend that the Board of Supervisors authorize the LTAC to hold an informational public meeting regarding the installation of three speed humps on Tanglewood Dr. and following this meeting send a ballot to each property owner in Hershey Mill Estates. The approximate locations for speed humps are 1523, 1541 & 1566 Tanglewood Dr.

Rick will prepare a memo for the next BOS meeting on Tuesday, September 1, 2015, and provide a copy to Joe.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer  
Recording Secretary