

**STREETS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
CITY OF REHOBOTH BEACH**

**May 10, 2013**

The Streets and Transportation Committee Meeting of the City of Rehoboth Beach was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Chair Pat Coluzzi on Friday, May 10, 2013 in the Commissioners Room in City Hall, 229 Rehoboth Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Pat Coluzzi, Kathy Osterholm, John Gauger, Dennis Diehl, Bill Sargent, Jim Ellison, Mel Craig

Absent: Lorraine Zellers, Cindy Lovett

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Bill Sargent made a motion, seconded by Jim Ellison, to approve the Agenda with the deletion of the March 1, 2013 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the March 25, 2012 and April 19, 2013 Streets and Transportation Committee Meetings were distributed prior to the meeting. Minutes of the March 1, 2013 Streets and Transportation Committee Meeting were not available for approval.

Kathy Osterholm made a motion, seconded by John Gauger, to approve the March 25, 2012 Streets and Transportation Committee Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

Jim Ellison made a motion, seconded by Kathy Osterholm, to approve the April 19, 2013 Streets and Transportation Committee Meeting minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Pat noted that there have been postings on the Rehoboth Neighborhood website regarding scooter parking. A message was posted from Linda Kauffman about scooter permits being in effect 24 hours a day, seven days a week which makes it different from vehicle parking. Linda had wondered if it is constitutional if scooters are being limited when vehicles are not being limited. Pat will follow-up on this correspondence with the City Solicitor.

The Committee has not changed scooter parking in regard to sidewalks. It is simply reminding people that no parking on sidewalks is the regulation, and it will be enforced. The Police Department will need to be diligent in enforcing this regulation so that people will understand they cannot do it. The scooter policy is a living document; and perhaps parking spaces may be provided on Rehoboth Avenue, if needed. With regard to scooter parking in metered areas before 10:00 a.m., it is the City Manager's understanding that scooters will be able to park there for free. The language "...must have a permit to park seven days a week, all hours day and night except if paying at a parking meter" will be changed to "...must have a permit to park seven days a week, all hours day and night except at metered areas" for 2014. Parking in a metered space would be free and would not require a permit from 12:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Walter Brittingham, 123 Henlopen Avenue, noted that this should be clarified in writing ahead of time and signed off by the City Manager and forwarded to the media and the Chamber of Commerce.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion with DelDOT representatives regarding plates on Canal Bridge.**

Pat mentioned that the DelDOT representatives were not available for this meeting. She hoped to have them in attendance at a future meeting.

**Review and update draft Bicycle Map and decide how many to print for 2013 season.**

Pat had forwarded a copy of the draft Bicycle Parking Map to the Committee members prior to the meeting. The consensus of the Committee was to highlight First Street in yellow between Laurel Street and Baltimore Avenue and from Maryland Avenue to Surf Avenue. The yellow denotes that extra caution is needed when riding a bicycle. With regard to the inset for Grove Park, more of Henlopen and Columbia Avenues will be shown along with the names of those streets. Grove Street and the jag on Columbia Avenue at Sussex Street should be highlighted in yellow. At the street ends and the Boardwalk, the "P" symbol will be located directly over the street instead of them being offset. The "P" symbol at Henlopen Avenue will be relocated in the Deauville Beach parking area. Oak Avenue will be highlighted in green to show that it is a bicycle friendly street. These changes will be made to the map and will be forwarded to the Committee for its review.

**Discuss ideas on informational signage.**

Pat noted that a sign is needed for the three entrances into the City concerning permits for scooters. The consensus of the Committee regarding what is to be put on the signs is a scooter and parking permit required. It was suggested having the telephone number of the Parking Department to the sign, or the City personnel located on Bayard and Rehoboth Avenue could hand out a map for people to locate the Parking Department for a permit. An issue that has been observed is that there is no consistency as to when people can permits on Bayard and Rehoboth Avenues. There needs to be consistency every day at the same times. It was suggested that there should be a future discussion regarding a permit system through Parkmobile.

Pat will present a report of the Committee's recommendations to the Commissioners at their next meeting.

**Update on Surf Avenue (widening and bike lane).**

Bill Sargent noted that he had talked with Bob Palmer, City Engineer, a week ago with regard to this matter. He has recommended that this project be postponed until Fall 2013.

**Discuss items to be included on future agendas.**

Items to be included on the next agenda are: 1. Discussion with DeIDOT representatives regarding plates on Canal Bridge, bicycle route from Canal Street to Grove Park and crosswalks at Hickman Street and State Road and Munson Street and State Road. 2. Discuss placement of additional sleeping policemen.

**Set next meeting.**

The next Committee meeting will be held on June 7, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

There being no further business, Chair Pat Coluzzi adjourned the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**(Ann M. Womack, CMC, City Secretary)**

**MINUTES APPROVED ON  
NOVEMBER 25, 2013**

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**(Bill Sargent, Chair)**