



**CITY OF NEW BERLIN
SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, May 11, 2022
6:00 PM
Public Safety Building
16300 W National Ave.**

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes

OLD BUSINESS- NONE

NEW BUSINESS

22-5: New Berlin Fire Department Assistant Chief Gillard requested the Safety Commission review a proposal to install an Opticom Traffic Control System at Fire Station 1, 16300 W. National Ave. Assistant Chief Gillard cited a safety concern for emergency vehicles leaving the station during rush hour traffic. Assistant Chief Gillard proposed the installation of the Opticom Traffic Control System to mitigate this traffic concern.

22-6: A New Berlin resident requested Deer Crossing signs to be added on Coffee Road. One at Swartz Road for eastbound traffic and one at Wehr Road for westbound traffic. The resident advised that there is a large deer population in the area crossing Coffee Road creating a safety concern for the motoring public.

22-7: A New Berlin resident requested intersection improvements for Beloit Road and Calhoun Road as she cited the stop signs are frequently ignored. The resident cited the recent fatal accident at the intersection as evidence of the dangerousness. The resident also indicated that following the recent resurfacing of Saturn Drive, west of Mars Drive, the double yellow lines that were present at the curve, were never repainted. She said this curve is dangerous and needs to have yellow painted lines to improve the safety of the area. The resident also made a complaint that vehicles turning left (north) onto Mars Drive from Saturn Drive, routinely fail to stop for the stop sign at the intersection creating a safety concern for both the motoring and pedestrian traffic.

22-8: A New Berlin resident requested the Safety Commission review the city's plan on widening the connecting walking trail at the dead end of Rosemary Drive into Hales Corners. The resident raised the concern that the additional widening of the trail will create more motoring traffic on the wooded "S" curve of Rosemary Drive.

TABLED ITEMS

21-9: To address recent citizen complaints, the New Berlin Police Department has increased enforcement on the “No Engine Braking” ordinance. To help mitigate this issue, the police department has requested “No Engine Braking” signs be placed at the borders of the city to warn drivers of the “No Engine Braking” ordinance. **(Tabled for a map study and further discussion).**

22-2: Alderman Harenda has received concerns from residents of cut through traffic through the Karrington Woods and Conservancy subdivisions near College Avenue and Janesville Road. Alderman Harenda requested the Safety Commission review this issue and look for possible solutions. **(Tabled for a traffic study to be completed).**

22-3: Alderman Garrigues requested the Safety Commission look at a parking concern on 147th Street north from National Avenue to Janice Place and on Janice Place in the area of 146th Street. Alderman Garrigues said vehicles are parking on both sides of the street in these areas causing a potential safety hazard due to the congestion. **(Tabled and referred to the city code compliance department for review).**

SET MEETING DATE

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

ADJOURN

PLEASE NOTE:

- ✓ It is possible that action will be taken on any of the items on the agenda and that the agenda may be discussed in any order. It is also possible that members of and possible a quorum of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above-stated meeting to gather information; no action will be taken by any governmental body at the above-stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.
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SAFETY COMMISSION - MINUTES
Wednesday, April 13, 2022**

REGULAR MEETING

Public Safety Building Room #185

6:00 PM

Please note: Minutes are unofficial until approved by the Safety Commission at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL; DECLARATION OF QUORUM; PUBLIC NOTICE

Present: Steve Thompson (NBPD), Lucas Pichler (Engineering), Mitchell Lataille, Lori Doyle (Aldersperson), Joe Rieder (Chairperson), Steve Brooks (Streets), Fred Witty and Ron Retherford, and Caleb Manske

Absent: Brady Reinke and Steve Kon (NBFD)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- March 9th, 2022 Minutes

Witty made a motion to accept the March 9th, 2022 minutes. The motion was seconded by Pichler.

Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- **22-4:** A resident has requested the installation of flashing stop signs on all approaches to 124th Street & Howard Avenue in an effort to make the area safer for motorists and pedestrian traffic.

- New Berlin Traffic, Engineer Lucas Pichler, provided crash data for the intersection from 2016-2021. Pichler advised that the crash data would indicate right of way confusion rather than a sign visibility issue. New Berlin resident, Carl Deutsch of 13420 W. Wembly Drive, was in attendance and spoke on the issue. Mr. Deutsch advised that he has witnessed vehicles fail to stop at the stop signs at this intersection and further advised that this is an ongoing issue creating a dangerous situation. Mr. Deutsch advised that he spoke with an alderman of the city of Greenfield regarding the issue as well. According to Mr. Deutsch, the Greenfield alderman advised that they would mirror the actions of New Berlin should something be decided on alterations to the intersection. Mr. Deutsch said most of the violations are from the northbound 124th Street traffic. Captain Thompson made a motion to address the following New Berlin intersection related items:

- Replace the stop signs belonging to New Berlin (eastbound Howard Avenue and southbound 124th Street)
- Add a "Stop Sign Ahead" sign to southbound 124th Street
- Repaint the stop bars (eastbound Howard Avenue and southbound 124th Street)
- Place reflective bars on the stop signs belonging to New Berlin
- Add a police enforcement request for the intersection

The motion was seconded by Pichler. This item will be removed from the agenda.

Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

TABLED ITEMS

- **21-9:** Not Discussed
- **22-2:** Not Discussed
- **22-3:** Not Discussed

ADJOURN

Aldерwoman Doyle made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 PM. This motion was seconded by Lataille
Motion passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Captain Steve Thompson
Safety Commission Secretary