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Meeting Minutes Transportation Safety Commission

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

8:00 PM

Charles Robinson Jr. Town Hall, 127
Center St. South

1 Call to Order

The Vienna Transportation Safety Commission (TSC) met in regular session on July 30, 2024 in the Vienna Town Hall Council Chambers, 127 Center Street S. Chairman Beth Eachus opened the meeting at 8:02 pm with the following members present: Vice Chairman Donna Smith and Commissioners Leonard Ignatowski, Charlie Strunk, Ken Nahigian, Loginn Kapitan, SallyJean Penna and Kate French. Peter Hartogs was absent. Alan Chen (DPW), Sergeant Conor Tracy, Vienna Police Department (VPD), and Jennifer Sigler, TSC Clerk, were also present.

2 Approval of the July 30, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Kapitan made a motion to approve the June 25, 2024 meeting minutes. Vice Chairman Smith seconded the motion.
Motion carried unanimously 7-1-0 (one abstention, one member absent)

3 DPW Report

Dominion Power - Clark-Idylwood Project - Dominion plans to upgrade the electrical lines along the W&OD location in certain sections within the County and Town. Preparation has already begun, and we anticipate the W&OD trail within the Town to be closed for approximately 10 working days the weeks following election day in November.

Dominion's representatives are here tonight to provide a presentation and to discuss the detour of the trail through Town while the work is performed.

4 Receipt of Petitions and Communications from the Public

Dominion Energy Presentation:

Representatives from Dewberry (Andrew Dahlman), and Dominion Energy (Jenna Brown, Yolanda Green, Greg Baka, CJ Baker and Paul Schmeling) attended the meeting and gave a short presentation about the upcoming electric line work on the W&OD Trail and its associated detour plan for pedestrians and cyclists. They explained their project requires a detour that meets ADA standards, so the detour route would require curb ramps, crosswalks & sidewalks the entire way. This makes the detour longer, but safer. The detour is expected to be in place for about 10 days during the month of November 2024.

Vice Chairman Smith suggested a change to the detour to avoid Lawyers Road and Courthouse Road because they are such busy roads.

Commissioner Strunk agreed with Vice Chairman Smith. He also made a suggestion for the out-of-town part of the project.

Commissioner Ignatowski asked if the trail would be closed 24-7 or just during the construction phase.

Mr. Dahlman said it would be closed from Sunday evening through Friday evening during the construction for safety reasons.

Commissioner Kapitan asked if Dominion would be providing the barricades and signage for the closure.

Ms. Brown, Verizon Communications Specialist explained the project includes VDOT approved MUTCD signage and barricades.

These are non-action items for initial presentation only; three-minute time limit enforced

5 BAC Report

The BAC has tentatively scheduled a Community Bike Ride for Sunday, October 20.

6 PAC Report

The PAC discussed the Dominion/W&OD Trail detour previously mentioned.

7 Reports of the Commissioners

Commissioner Ignatowski asked if there was an increase in the number of people running red lights.

Sergeant Tracy said he didn't have specific numbers, but he does believe the number is growing.

Commissioner Nahigian asked if the Cottage Street/Plum Street request for more traffic calming would change the detour route.

Chairman Eachus said the traffic study should be completed before November, so they should have more information at the October 29th meeting.

Sergeant Tracy announced that during September and October the Police will be focusing on distracted drivers.

8 Report of the Chairman

NONE

9 Meeting Adjourn

9:00pm

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