

PARKING AUTHORITY

City of Findlay
May 25, 2006

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Mayor Anthony P. Iriti, Jack Bindel, Lu Draper, Warren Krout, John LaRiche, Brian Hurt, David Spahr.

Staff Present: Kathy Launder.

Guests Present: Stacy Hatton for Mike Mallett, John Graber, The Courier.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to accept minutes of the April 13, 2006, meeting, by LaRiche, second by Spahr. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Update on Crawford Street Parking: Mayor Iriti reported that Traffic Commission denied Parking Authority's request to make East Crawford Street one way going east due to business owners in the area had several concerns regarding this proposal. Mayor Iriti presented two proposals to members making East Crawford Street one way going west.

The first proposal has the flow of traffic on the north side of East Crawford Street and parking along the south side of East Crawford Street which will gain a total of 14 additional spaces. This gain is considerably less due to the number of curb cuts that cannot be closed. This gain includes 6 additional spaces in the first block off Main Street.

The second proposal has the flow of traffic on the south side and parking on the north side from East Street to Beech Avenue, then merge the flow of traffic to the north side and parking on the south side from the first alley off Main Street to Main Street. There will be no parking spaces from Beech Avenue to the first alley off Main Street to allow the merge of traffic to safely occur.

These two proposals answer the concerns voiced by business owners.

Motion to recommend to City's Traffic Commission the second proposal making East Crawford Street one way going west with the flow of traffic on the south side and parking on the north side from East Street to Beech Avenue, then merge the flow of traffic to the north side and parking on the south side from the first alley off Main Street to Main Street by Krout, second by LaRiche. Motion passed.

Update on Dorney Plaza: The City received a letter from the Hancock County Commissioners requesting that the Parking Authority withdraw any discussions of parking in Dorney Plaza from future agendas. The Parking Authority will honor that request. Commissioner Spahr stated that the Commissioners are not in a position to discuss this proposal until the long term planning is accomplished. He further stated the Commissioners are open to other ideas and suggestions, but cannot move forward with the Dorney Plaza parking idea at this time.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Parking Authority is July 13, 2006, at 7:30 AM in the third floor conference room of the Municipal Building.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy K. Launder
City Clerk