

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Safety Director Jim Barker, Police Chief Bill Spraw, Fire Chief Tom Lonyo, Engineer Brian Hurt, Councilman Ron Monday

STAFF PRESENT: Jim Rhodes, Street Superintendent, Tracie Johnston, Mayor's Office, Mayor Sehnert, Service Director Bruce Hardy

GUESTS PRESENT: 1

OLD BUSINESS

10/15/2007

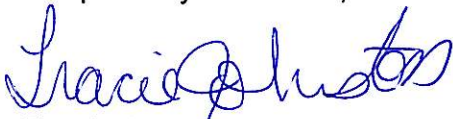
Request of John LaRiche, to change Beech Avenue between East Main Cross and Crawford Street from a one-way street to a two-way street.

Chief Lonyo has concerns with the ability of fire trucks being able to turn off Crawford and Main Cross Streets onto Beech Avenue and anybody heading southbound that nudges into the intersection and then a vehicle would then have to drive up onto the sidewalk. Chief Spraw was also concerned that when the parking spaces are full you cannot see anyone coming from the west or east. Brian Hurt stated that the road is only 20 feet wide so the lanes would be 10 feet wide. Ideally you want 12 foot lanes. Steve, Service Manager at LaRiche, stated that when driving down the alley there is no signage and he sees cars going the wrong way all the time and LaRiche will also have a new used car center at Crawford Street and East Street and it would be easier for them to move their cars if it were a two-way street. Councilman Monday stated that he understands LaRiche's dilemma, but there is a safety concern.

Motion by Chief Lonyo to deny request but to check and add appropriate signage, second by Chief Spraw. Motion passed 4-0.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:10 PM. The next meeting of the City of Findlay Traffic Commission will be held at 2:30 PM, in the Municipal Building 3rd Floor Conference Room on Monday, March 17, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,



Tracie Johnston
Secretary