

(In Person and Zoom)

MINUTES FROM THE
PARKING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING

November 8, 2024

Members Present: Ryan Fries, Jennifer Hookstra, John Foster, Cindy Cobetto, Shane Kessinger, Linda Eilerman, Michelle Shatto, Christy McDougal, Michelle Shatto, Ericka Johnson, and Moayad Abuzaneh

Ex-Officio Members Present: Robert Vanzo, Tony Langendorf, Craig Holan, Diane Chappel, and Heather Birdsell

Members Absent: George Pelekanos

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Mallory Sidarous

Ryan Fries, Chair, presided over the monthly Parking and Traffic Committee Meeting on Friday, November 8, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in person and via Zoom. Minutes from the October 11, 2024, meeting, were presented. A Motion was made by Michelle Shatto to approve the Minutes and seconded by Shane Kessinger. No objections. Minutes stand approved as written.

COMMITTEES

A. Appeals Committee: Michelle Shatto stated two Appeals were heard by the committee. One was granted and one was denied.

B. Policy Committee: No report.

C. Senate Reports:

1. Faculty Senate: No report.
2. Staff Senate: No report.
3. Student Senate: No report. Moayad announced that a person was skateboarding through a crosswalk and was nearly hit by a vehicle. He suggested installing flashing lights at crosswalks, especially from MUC to Woodland Hall and crosswalk by Bluff Hall. Bob Vanzo responded that flashing lights would be very expensive to install. Bob added that SIUE has a Skateboard Policy which basically states people are to get off the skateboard, pick it up and walk across the crosswalk. Craig added cost would run around \$75,000 and up, plus there would be a signal to maintain. Ryan Fries added there is a student class on Traffic Safety. They could be requested to do a study of crosswalks.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence received to discuss.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Initiatives Assigned to Facilities Management:

Tony reported in Lots A & E there was a short in the system affecting some of the light poles. He stated there will be a meeting next week to discuss subsidence around the poles.

B. Motorist Assistance, Citation, Towing Monthly Report, and Moving Violation Statistics, and EV Charging Data:

Tony Langendorf reported citations have bounced back, and permit sales are up over 100 permits sold. Permits are down by 100 in the student green permits issued through the Lottery. All basketball parking will be in Lot A but should not affect daily parking. There are also still spaces available in the Brown Lot. There has been an increase in the use of the EV stations located in Alton.

C. License Plate Recognition: Bob announced that Tony Langendorf and Mike Hamil will be attending a T-2 Conference in Colorado beginning November 18, 2024. They plan to get more information on License Plate Recognition and how T-2 handles the system to determine if this is the Vendor that would be best for the needs of SIUE. They will also be looking at pay machines and making a decision as to which ones to purchase for SIUE. With the new pay stations, everything will be cashless. The machines will feature text to pay. We will be sending out communications so that people may learn how to operate the new machines.

D. Service Permit Update: Parking Services recently contacted all departments that were issued Service Permits. So far 141 requests were sent back. It appears most people understood that the permits were issued to Departments only and not to individuals. All Departments were asked to reapply this year for new Service Permits to be issued to the Department. There will be no charge for Service Permits this year.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to discuss.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ryan Fries announced the group project presentations in CE476 Traffic Studies have been completed regarding Northwest University Drive and Circle Drive and Parking Lot P12. The Presentation will be on Tuesday, November 19th at 7:00 p.m. Ryan will be sending an email with details on the Presentation and a Zoom link if anyone would like to attend.

Ryan also announced that David Balai, who served as Parking & Traffic Committee Chairman, has returned to the United States after serving his active tour of duty.

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Shane Kessinger. Michelle Shatto seconded the Motion. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The next meeting will be on Friday, December 13, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Magnolia Room at the Morris University Center and on Zoom.