

**Town of Annapolis Royal
Traffic Flow Advisory Committee (TFAC)
Approved Minutes
March 26, 2013**

PRESENT: Chair Mayor Michael Tompkins (Ex officio), Councillor Paul Paquette, Public Works/Local Traffic Authority Kevin McLean, 2 members of the public

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Tompkins called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm

2. PRESENT:

3. REGRETS: Councillor Byron Mersereau, Chief of Police Burt McNeil

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
MOTION 1**

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Traffic Authority Kevin McLean to adopt the agenda as presented. **CARRIED.**

**5. APPROVAL OF TRAFFIC FLOW ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES:
MOTION 2**

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Traffic Authority McLean to adopt the minutes of the meeting of March 11, 2013 as presented. **CARRIED.**

6. PUBLIC INPUT:

Eva Leifheit asked about the legal public parking at the Farmer's Market noting there is no designated handicap parking by the Farmer's Market on the road. Traffic Authority McLean advised there are 3 handicap parking stalls in the market. Mayor Tompkins suggests vendors could park behind Leo's Café, there may be a concern with vendors in the parking lot but this has not been discussed by the Committee.

Eva Leifheit departed the meeting at 12:20 pm

7. PRESENTATIONS: none

8. BUSINESS ARISING:

Councillor Paquette reviewed the proposals from the last meeting of the Committee.

A) Elvis Lane – right of way access

It was agreed to table this item, and discuss at a later date.

i. Church Street – pedestrian walkway

Discussion was held regarding residents parking in public parking areas. The pedestrian walkway is being used as a pedestrian mall, cannot close the street off, need to give access to building owners so it will always be a street. Discussion was held regarding installing a post in the ground before the Farmer's Market, noting the area should be shut down for the whole summer season and/or should only be closed for the Farmers Market days.

Mayor Tompkins suggested still need input from people using it.

It was agreed to look at the deed re: Masonic Lodge and the right of way on Elvis Lane and also to check with Planning Technician Saunders if it is a legal right of way.

ii. George Street – potential diagonal parking stalls

Traffic Authority McLean will get an estimate of diagonal parking stalls, from St. Anthony Street down there are 74 parking stalls on the street parking. Discussion was held regarding diagonal parking, where it will work, suggested no large truck tractor trailer traffic, concerns about traffic getting stuck in the winter as they would be driving up an incline, Victoria Street intersection the road is tipped, might have to control parking on Victoria Street, should be parking on one side only, from the post office to highway 1 will be patched this year, there may be no parking by the post office, discussed curb by post office, sidewalk on one side of the street with curb then parking, Victoria Street will be where the traffic flow will change,

Mayor Tompkins suggested investigating the engineer plans for the sidewalk by the Post office. Traffic Authority McLean will get numbers for diagonal parking on St. George Street. Mayor noted all the issues for lower St. George Street could be addressed with the traffic flow changes. Mayor Tompkins noted the parking lot may need the update as the prominent parking spot in town, it also alleviates concerns at St. George and St Anthony, loading zone, full lane on the other side going through, Drury will remain 2 lanes, Chapel will still be one way, potential new road on rail bed in future, it is a walking trail now, quite wide, there is potential, that would alleviate the Victoria Street issue as well, it would not line up exactly with Drury lane, Traffic Authority McLean will get a quote on an estimate cost for the proposed road.

Councillor Paquette noted that handicapped parking by the banks, will be addressed when diagonal parking is figured out, there is one handicap parking space at Sinclair Mews. Discussed parking lot, painting of lines, and RV parking back of Bread and Roses by their fence.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

A) Farmers Market Parking

Discussion of this item was held during the public presentation.

B) Traffic Flow Comments, Issues and Concern

- i. St. Anthony and St. George Streets
- ii. St. Anthony Street
- iii. St. Anthony & Victoria Street
- iv. Upper St. George Street
- v. St. James Street

Discussion was held regarding the traffic flow comments, issues and concerns and it was agreed to hold a public meeting April 18th, 2013 at 7 pm in the Council Chambers to provide residents an opportunity for input.

10. OTHER

- i. Council Meeting Excerpts from meeting of March 18, 2013
Traffic Authority McLean will make list of parking stall painting projects.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION 3

It was moved by Councillor Paquette, seconded by Traffic Authority McLean, to adjourn the meeting at 1:50 pm. **CARRIED.**

NEXT MEETING: April 11, 2013 at noon

Chair Mayor Tompkins

Recording Secretary Bourke