1. Call to Order

Chairman Troiani called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Pledge to the Flag

Chairman Troiani led the Pledge to the Flag.

3. Roll-call

Present
Chairman Scott Troiani
Commissioner Stanley Wilk
Commissioner Antonio Costantino
Commissioner Tony Jin
Commissioner Mark Bonner
Commissioner Lidia Zaia-Kaihara
Jason Parrott, Chief of Police
Andrew Letson, Director of Public Works
Daniel Dem, Assistant Village Engineer
Trustee Craig Klatzco, Trustee Liaison
Trustee Atour Sargon

Excused
Commissioner John Ernst

4. Report by Chair

None

5. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Bonner moved to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2019 Traffic Commission meeting as presented. Commissioner Costantino seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Unfinished Business

None
7. New Business
   
a. Consideration – Stop Sign Request, Albion and Kilpatrick

Chief Parrott reviewed the request for a four way stop at the intersection of Albion and Kilpatrick Avenues. There were 18 residents who signed a petition requesting the stop signs and four have subsequently sent e-mails to the Chief supporting the request. Additionally, over the past 18 months, there have been three accidents at the intersection, two of which resulted in injury. The traffic study found that 45% of the cars traveling the intersection did so above the posted speed limit.

Currently, all of the east/west streets are required to stop at Cicero; however, there are a limited number of signs in the neighborhood other than on Arthur Avenue. Overall, there were 754 vehicles that passed through the intersection during the study period. Due to the accidents, traffic volume, and traffic speed, the intersection was rated at 65 points on the Village’s stop sign warrant sheet. The warrant worksheet requires a total of 50 points to receive a positive recommendation for the installation of the stop signs. Staff recommends approval of the request for a four-way stop at the intersection of Kilpatrick and Albion.

Ms. Juliet Goldsher stated that she has lived in the neighborhood for a long time and has found that accidents tend to occur due to inattentive drivers. Ms. Goldsher stated that she is not supportive of the stop signs. She inquired if there has been any consideration for a two-way stop control. Chief Parrott stated that the request was for a four-way stop and alternative configurations were not considered.

Ms. Benita Bell stated that she walks her dog in the area and notices that cars drive quickly in the neighborhood, particularly those traveling west toward Cicero Avenue. She expressed her concern regarding people getting hurt due to the traffic in the area. Ms. Bell stated she is supportive of a four-way stop control at the intersection.

Commissioner Bonner expressed his support for four-way stop control at the intersection.

Commissioner Bonner moved to recommend the implementation of four-way stop control at the intersection of Kilpatrick and Albion Avenues to the Village Board. Commissioner Wilk seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Public Forum

Mr. Brian Reynolds expressed concern about the volume of traffic in his neighborhood and suggested installing signs to dissuade cut-through traffic. He expressed that stop signs are not effective as many cars do not stop at the intersection.

9. Report by Staff

Chief Parrott stated that the Village’s messaging trailer has been used over the past couple of weeks for ongoing construction projects and it will be used for future traffic control and pedestrian safety initiatives.
Mr. Letson reported on ongoing and upcoming construction projects including the water transmission main, north shore outfall sewer, and Touhy Avenue resurfacing.

10. Good of the Order

None

11. Adjournment

Commissioner Costantino moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. Commissioner Zaia-Kaihara seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Letson
Director of Public Works