



**VILLAGE OF VOLENTE, TEXAS
MINUTES**

Joint Meeting of the Public Works Committee and Public Safety Committee
March 30, 2021 at 12:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

12:05 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Claudia Wilson, Ed Racht, Bill Wilson, Jan Yenawine, Judy Graci, Judy Barrick, and Missy Thost

Absent: Nancy Carufel

- 1. Review and discuss, as summarized by Mary Scherer, VOV resident's meeting with both the Travis County Commissioner Representatives and the TCSO on March 19, 2021, regarding speeding and racing on Volente roads.**

Mary Scherer stated reasons (racing, speeding, excessive noise, etc. from both cars and motorcycles on FM 2769 and LCR) residents contacted Mick Young from Travis County. Many suggestions at the meeting were made to address issues raised. Bottom line from the meeting: enforcement was thought to be the best solution. The suggestion was made when calling 911 to emphasize reckless driving with specific details about make, color, license plate, and direction the vehicle in question was headed. Reckless driving carries more weight than complaints of noise and speeding.

Mick Long agreed to work with TCSO and present a recap to residents. Mayor Thost also sent a follow up letter to Mick Young as well regarding the meeting on March 19th.

Mary's presentation opened up general discussion on the following topics:

- Contract Police Funding
- Traffic Study for Volente roads
- City Limit Signs
- Amendment of Ordinances 2009-O-100, 2020-O-118 and 2014-O-17
- Enforcement of parking, unloading, loading for businesses in Volente

2. Review and discuss safety issues at the intersection of LCR and FM 2769, Wharf Cove and FM 2769 and Mary Street.

Safety issues/recommendations discussed: Location of a Comprehensive Assessment completed 7 or 8 years ago for the Village needs to be located as this was a Travis County assessment that stated where signage, such as No Parking, was to be placed. General Contract needed for road repair to take care of potholes that could damage vehicles. First parking spot in front of City Hall needs to be blocked as it interferes with right turns from LCR. No Parking Signs need to be replaced in front of cabins. A survey is needed to determine exactly where buildings and roads are in the intersections referenced above. Entrance to Beach Club forces some customers to stand on road and/or to cross diagonally to walk there. Review state standards about how customers can safely queue up and return to buses when entering Volente businesses. Is towing enforceable in Volente? City Hall recommended to have a meeting with business owners to discuss safety issues. Portable radar sign placement might help on all roads.

3. Review and discuss safety issues on Mary Street.

Replace No Parking Signs on Mary Street. Most valuable deterrent for Mary Street is enforcement. Temporary speed bumps or temporary rumble strips in the interim might prove helpful to Mary Street residents. A professional traffic study for Mary Street recommended. Other possible actions for Mary Street: Child at Play Signage, hiring and off duty policeman from another community to patrol.

4. Discuss possible recommendations to present at the April 20, 2021 City Council Meeting, including possible specific agenda items.

Recommendations and/or presentations for Council consideration: Review Travis County Commission and TCSO recommendations regarding speeding, noise, reckless driving, etc. on Volente roads. Review needs for both a Survey and Traffic Study of the intersections referenced in # 2 above. The Traffic Study is needed to determine the appropriate speed limits for LCR, FM 2769 and Mary Street. Recommend temporary speed bumps and rumble strips for Mary Street. Recommend City Hall and Volente businesses to meet to discuss safety issues.

ADJOURNMENT

2:03 P.M.