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Transportation Advisory Committee December 23rd, 2025

The regularly scheduled public meeting of the Township of Spring Transportation Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairperson Mike Wertz at 8:35 a.m. on Tuesday, December 23rd, 2025, in the Public Meeting Room of the Township of Spring Administration Building, located at 2850 Windmill Road, Spring Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. The following members were present: Supervisor Patti Smith, Police Chief Steve Brock, Public Works Director Craig Conrad, and Supervisor Mike Wertz. Brad Weisman was unable to attend. Assistant Township Supervisor Dean Murray, Township Secretary Mary Rossi, Director of Engineering & Planning Jason Reichert, Road Foreman Randy Fultz, Solicitor Dan Becker, Scott Anderson and Elijah Rivera of Kraft Municipal Group, Tricia McKay Owner of the Goddard School of Wyomissing, and Wyatt & Katrina Imhoff were also in attendance.

Agenda Amendments-None

Approval of Minutes-October 28th & November 24th

Motion to approve the minutes from October 28th, 2025 and November 24th, 2025 was made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Chief Brock. Upon roll call, Ms. Smith abstained from voting on approval of the minutes of November 24th and Mr. Conrad abstained from voting on the minutes of October 28th.
MOTION CARRIED

Open to the Floor-None

Discussion/Action Items

1) Reedy Road Speeding Concerns

Mr. Conrad said that he and Mr. Fultz went out to Reedy Road, took some measurements, and determined that the lanes could be narrowed, but it would get pretty tight. Mr. Conrad said that the main concern is when motorists come around the bend at 2931 Reedy Road, the road opens up to almost 40 ft, and the white lines extend out to almost 20ft at that point. Mr. Conrad said that if the yellow line was adjusted in the center of the road, indicating on the exhibit where to move the white line on the side of the road, it would result in the lanes having a 12ft width, which would result in gaining approximately 3ft of site distance coming out that property. This may alleviate some of the issues, rather than putting 1,000ft of white line down the road. Ms. Smith questioned if the Township could connect the line to make a bike path. Mr. Conrad said if a bike path is installed all the way down, parking in front of homes in that area would be eliminated.

Discussion/Action Items (Continued)

1) Reedy Road Speeding Concerns (Continued)

Mr. Murray said the resident reached out to Sinking Spring Borough, who owns the property and they agreed to remove the big clump of trees and brush at the location to improve visibility of oncoming traffic. Mr. Murray said that a hidden driveway sign is in that location and staff has replaced signs.

Chief Brock shared data from traffic study reports conducted in the spring and noted that motorists average speed was 28.13 mph. In addition, a traffic detail was conducted, and the Department stopped motorists for the following: 7 for speeding, 2 for seat belt infractions, and 1 for an inspection violation.

Motion to recommend approval to authorize staff to contact Sinking Spring Borough to request the removal of shrubbery at 2931 Reedy Road was made by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Conrad. Upon roll call, all Committee members voted affirmatively.

MOTION CARRIED

2) Guard Rail Discussion-Chapel Hill Road

Wyatt & Katrina Imhoff of 209 Chapel Hill Road addressed the Committee with concerns of motorists ending up in their yard and about their and their children's safety. They have had their vehicles hit multiple times, their house has been hit, and have had tons of property damage, noting that it happens frequently. Mr. Imhoff stated that they are afraid of their safety in their home as well, as their living room is on that side. The Imhoff's have spoken with Mr. Murray, who had additional signage installed in the area last winter after Mr. Imhoff's truck was totaled in his driveway. Ms. Imhoff stated that when cars lose control around the curve, they end up driving through their driveway straight towards their home. They have concerns getting their children in their vehicles, mowing the lawn, and even sitting in their home, noting that winter weather makes the issue worse.

Mr. Conrad stated that additional signage and flashers have been installed. Staff is looking into installing rumble strips, to alert motorists to the curve ahead. Mr. Conrad said that staff has contacted LTAP, a 3rd party Engineering firm, through PennDOT and the Township is requesting that LTAP come out and provide a recommendation, noting that they are the experts on these types of issues. Mr. Conrad said that, unfortunately, the representative from LTAP is unable to schedule a time to come out until after the new year. Mr. Imhoff stated that he had heard that before and asked what the projected time line. Mr. Conrad said as soon as he finds out he will let them know.

Mr. Murray said that he had spoken with Marvin Ta from LTAP and did not realize that Mr. Ta was not out at the site, as he was out of the office. Mr. Ta reviewed it as an overview and reported that, per PennDOT specs, a guardrail is always a last resort.

Discussion/Action Items *(Continued)*

2) **Guard Rail Discussion-Chapel Hill Road** *(Continued)*

Scott Anderson, the Township's Roads and Traffic Engineer, stated that he was out to the site previously and applied PennDOT standards, noting that PennDOT has strict guard rail standards for these types of situations. The part that kind of gets lost when you are looking at this, is that PennDOT always considers any guide rail or some other fixed object in the right-of-way to be another hazard that could cause problems and lead to additional vehicle accidents. Looking at their standards, the sloped side of the roadway, even the recovery area, there is a swale there, so sloping off the road, sloping up out of the road onto the swale, the standards basically say, it's a recovery area, unless there is a "severe situation." Mr. Anderson said that, given the history of accidents on Imhoff's property, they have what PennDOT may consider a more severe situation. Mr. Anderson suggested that the Imhoff's provide a history of all the accidents on their property to staff who can get the information to LTAP.

Mr. Imhoff asked about speed details on the road, adding that he would be happy to let officers sit in his driveway.

3) **Goddard School of Wyomissing Crosswalk Concerns**

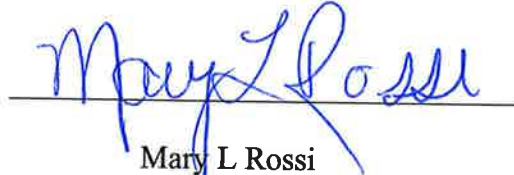
Tricia McKay, Owner of the Goddard School of Wyomissing, addressed the Committee and stated that the school has two (2) buildings for their children. Their annex is located at 10 Commerce Drive, and they walk the children across Commerce Drive to get to their main building, where their playground and facilities are located. They have had numerous issues with motorists on Commerce Drive, including excessive speed and a lack of concern for the crosswalk where children are crossing. Ms. McKay said a Board Meeting that she attended, she had requested the possibility adding additional signage in that area. She also asked about the possibility of adding mobile signs that are used in front of schools. Ms. McKay said that they had reported issues to the police a few times and that they had put a speed monitoring sign out in November, noting as of yesterday it was still out, and questioned if there was any additional data. Ms. McKay additionally suggested a crosswalk like some others she has seen in the Township that has the big white marks, noting that would be a big improvement.

Mr. Conrad said since the Board meeting Ms. McKay attended, he spoke with Mr. Anderson, the Township's Roads and Traffic Engineer. Mr. Conrad said that this crosswalk is a mid-block crosswalk, and he will speak with LTAP of PennDOT to determine whether a school zone sign could be placed at that location, as it must be permitted by PennDOT. A study will need to be done as what the Township is permitted to do. In the interim, Mr. Conrad emailed Ms. McKay with the information needed to purchase the Yield Crosswalk sign and added that there is new signage that the Township has that is scheduled for installation.

Mr. Anderson said due to the fact that the crosswalk is a mid-block cross walk, it is in the Township's interest to have a study on record with LTAP, noting that it is federally funded program. Mr. Anderson said that Ms. McKay should submit information on the ages and volumes of children that cross the crosswalk, how many times daily they cross, so that LTAP has that information for the study. Regarding the signs to put in the middle of the road, he said that there are programs that will provide them at no cost and he will look into that and let Mr. Conrad know.

Adjournment- With no further business to discuss, Chairperson Wertz adjourned the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary L Rossi". The signature is written over a horizontal line.

Mary L Rossi
Township Secretary

