(Via Zoom and In Person)

MINUTES FROM THE
PARKING AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING
August 12, 2022

Members Present: David Balai, Cindy Cobetto, Ryan Fries, Nicole Robinson, John Foster, and Michelle Shatto

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

Members Absent: Jennifer Rosselli-Lynch (excused), George Pelekanos, and Collin Van Meter (excused)

Ex-Officio Members Absent: Mallory Sidarous (excused) and Daris Hicks (excused)

The monthly Parking and Traffic Committee Meeting convened on Friday, August 12, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom and in person. Chair, David Balai, presided over the meeting.

Minutes from the meetings of May 13, 2022, and June 10, 2022, were presented for approval. The May and June Minutes were approved by all present.

COMMITTEES

A. Appeals Committee: There were no appeals presented.

B. Policy Committee: Ryan Fries reported the Policy Committee did not meet.

C. Senate Reports:

1. Faculty Senate: No report.
2. Staff Senate: No report.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to discuss.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Initiatives Assigned to Facilities Management: Craig reported no initiatives have been assigned to Facilities Management.

B. Motorist Assistance, Citation, Towing Monthly Report, and Moving Violation Statistics, and EV Charging Data: Tony reported there were not many citations issued. Scofflaw rates have changed
beginning in July, 2022, which brought the numbers down to zero in July. A Scofflaw results from 4 citations for $200 or more. Tony also pointed out that the APP and Credit Cards are being used more frequently. Tony is still looking into adding a pay-by-space through texting with a vendor as another payment avenue. More research needs to be completed. The use of the EV Charging Stations appear to be slowly increasing.

Tony added that permit sales have increased over last year. Lot F Brown Permits sold out early. The maximum for that lot is 850. Green permits increased so far by 132. Blue permits increased by 54. Red permits increased by 330. Yellow permits increased by 100. We have sold 1,300 red permits so far. The maximum is 2,700 permits.

Tony announced that the Lottery for green parking permits started early this year and has been very well received by the students. Four hundred permits for Lot A, which is up 176 and two hundred for Lot E, which is up 175 have been purchased. There were 1,030 individuals who signed up for the Lottery.

C. Campus Construction Update:

   a. Fall 2022/Summer2023 Parking Lot construction Projects:

Craig announced that we are waiting for the environmental clearance permit regarding the Woodland Hall Parking Lot which is scheduled to arrive on Tuesday. Tony stated that the Purchase Order is on the President’s desk to be signed. We are waiting to start, as the end date is scheduled for December 13, 2022. There will be a temporary construction entrance developed.

Craig stated there is a sink hole on the East St. Louis Campus, that has been caused from the historic rainfall in the past few weeks, flooding the surrounding streets.

D. Fall Meeting at School of Dental Medicine: Plans for our Committee to meet on the Alton School of Dental Medicine have not been finalized.

E. Woodland Hall Parking Lot: Discussed under Campus Construction Update.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Craig explained to the members they are looking at installing solar panels on the agricultural ground and are now looking at installing on parking lots, specifically in Lots B and E. Craig provided the Water Park in Collinsville as an example. Those solar panels are quite high and parking is available underneath them. Before we bid on the project, Craig will bring the issue back to the committee. Some good qualities of the solar panels are that they would form a roof for vehicles to park under while providing electricity. We are also looking at Stadium Drive, which would not be a parking expense. Electricity cost the University $1,000,000 this year because we had to buy from another source.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tony informed the members that he lost one Parking Service Agent position, due to retirement. He also lost another Parking Service Agent who resigned. Paperwork has been completed to try to fill that position. We are currently down 3 Parking Service Agents. He would like to get at least one position filled in order to continue to have someone working the night shift.

Cindy Cobetto announced that Ryan Fries received the “Patrick T. McCoy Education Professional of the Year Award”. “This award was presented by the Missouri Valley District Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), and recognizes an educator for outstanding contribution to the study of transportation and helping students advance in their education as professionals.” Congratulations to Ryan.

ADJOURNMENT

Cindy Cobetto made a Motion to Adjourn the meeting. Nicole Robinson seconded the Motion. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m. The next meeting will be on Friday, September 9, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in person in the Magnolia Room in the MUC and via Zoom.