URBANA TRAFFIC COMMISSION Tuesday, May 6, 2003

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Milton Otto, City Council Member Joe Smith, Senior Civil Engineer Eddie Adair, Chief of Police

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jim Hayes, City Council Member Shawn Crowley, Parking Enforcement Edward (Hoke) Hildreth, 904 East Main Street Lynn Thompson, 109 North Cottage Grove Avenue Jim Lewis, 403 East Washington Street

Meeting began at 4:05 p.m.

Additions to the agenda:

There were no additions to the agenda.

In the absence of Chairman Otto, Joe Smith assumed the position of chairperson.

Approval of Minutes:

Eddie Adair moved to accept the minutes as read. Joe Smith seconded the motion. The Commission voted 2-0 to approve the minutes of February 2003.

Item #1 - Discussion of parking restrictions on Oakland Avenue between Geraldine Avenue and the east end of Oakland Avenue.

Joe Smith stated that the residents living on Oakland Avenue and Geraldine Avenue presented a petition to the Urbana Traffic Commission requesting that parking be prohibited on both sides of Oakland Avenue between Geraldine Avenue and the east end of Oakland Avenue. He added that travel on the street was very difficult when overflow from the car lot on Cunningham Avenue parked on the street.

Since all of the residents on that block signed the petition, Joe Smith moved to install "No Parking on this Side of the Street" signs to both sides of Oakland Avenue between Geraldine Avenue and the east end of Oakland Avenue.

Eddie Adair seconded the motion.

The motion passed 2-0.

This item will go to Council for consideration.

Item #2 - Discussion of improving visibility of school crossing zone at Race Street and Oregon Street.

Shawn Crowley explained that the crossing guard at Race Street and Oregon Street had difficulty stopping traffic to allow children to cross. She stated that traffic typically travels at 30 miles per hour and asked if the area could be designated as a school crossing zone.

Joe Smith asked if a temporary crossing device could be placed in the middle of the street to warn motorists of children crossing. He stated that the device could be placed in the street and removed by the crossing guard.

Joe Smith moved to install portable school crossing signs on Race Street at Oregon Street that would be set up by the crossing guard.

Eddie Adair seconded the motion.

The motion passed 2-0.

This item does not require Council approval.

Item #3 - Discussion of the installation of stop signs on Boulder Drive at Windsor Road and Lydia Drive at Myra Ridge Road.

Joe Smith said that construction on Boulder Drive and Lydia Drive was near completion. He stated that traffic from those streets would require stop signs to regulate traffic flow onto the local collectors, Windsor Road and Myra Ridge Road.

Joe Smith moved to install to install a stop sign on Boulder Drive for northbound traffic onto Windsor Road and a stop sign on Lydia Drive for westbound traffic onto Myra Ridge Road.

Eddie Adair seconded the motion.

The motion passed 2-0.

This item will go to Council for consideration.

Mr. Milton Otto assumed the chair.

Item #4 - Discussion of parking restrictions on the 900 block of East Water Street.

Edward Hildreth expressed his concerns about vehicles being parked in the yellow zone at Lynn Street and Water Street. He added that a resident at 108 North Lynn Street was operating a business out of the residence.

Shawn Crowley stated that motorists had been ticketed for parking in the yellow zone.

Mr. Hildreth stated that the tickets had not stopped the problem.

Joe Smith stated that he looked at the street and concluded that the present restrictions were correctly marked. He asked if the installation of a tow-away zone would deter parking since ticketing those who were illegally parked had not solved the problem of parking in the yellow zone.

Mr. Smith stated that the Urbana Fire and Rescue Department said that they had no difficulty maneuvering around the intersections as long as vehicles were legally parked near the intersections

Milton Otto stated that enforcement needed to be a priority.

Mr. Hildreth said that illegal parking occurred most often after 5:00 p.m.

Shawn Crowley stated that overnight parking violations were handled by police officers.

Eddie Adair stated that Mr. Hildreth needed to contact the Urbana Police Department if he observed illegal parking. He added that the Police Department would make enforcement a priority in that area.

Joe Smith stated that information about the home-operated business would be forwarded to Community Development.

Lynn Thompson stated that she was concerned about any further parking restrictions on Water Street since many residents had no driveways.

Joe Smith stated that the intersections were the areas of concerns, not Water Street.

Item #5 - Discussion of the installation of a crosswalk on Lincoln Avenue at Indiana Avenue.

Jim Hayes asked if this was a case where there were crosswalks within a block of the intersection.

Joe Smith stated that a crosswalk at the intersection did not meet new guidelines under consideration for University crosswalks. He added that there were crosswalks at Lincoln Avenue and Nevada Street and at Lincoln Avenue and Michigan Avenue. He would not recommend the installation of a crosswalk based upon the average daily traffic on Lincoln Avenue. He continued by saying that he would like to perform a study of pedestrian crossing patterns on Lincoln Avenue.

Milton Otto stated that many pedestrians are determined to jaywalk even when crosswalks were available. He asked when the traffic signals on Lincoln Avenue were scheduled for installation.

Joe Smith stated that traffic signals were scheduled for installation at the intersections of Lincoln Avenue and Pennsylvania Avenue and Lincoln Avenue and Nevada Street in 2005. He said that the traffic signals would provide gaps in motor traffic allowing pedestrians with opportunities for easier crossing of Lincoln Avenue.

Joe Smith recommended discussing this issue at the August 5 Traffic Commission meeting after a pedestrian study had been completed.

Eddie Adair asked that Traffic Commissioners receive copies of the guidelines for University crosswalks once the guidelines are approved.

Item #6 - Discussion of installation of yellow curb in front of 403 and 407 East Washington Street.

Jim Lewis discussed the difficulty he had experienced leaving his driveway to enter Washington Street. He noted that the close proximity to the intersection of Washington Street and Vine Street added to the difficulty because vehicles were accelerating when they approach from the west. Mr. Lewis requested that the Traffic Commission eliminate parking in front of his property at 403 East Washington Street. He suggested that the Commission look at a configuration on Washington Street where the design would include 3 lanes of traffic—one westbound, one eastbound and one turn lane.

Joe Smith stated that the resident at 404 East Washington Street had called to concur with Mr. Lewis's observation. Mr. Smith said that he would discuss the possibility of redesigning the lanes of traffic in the 400 block of Washington Street with the Public Works Director. He asked that the issue be moved to the June 3 Traffic Commission meeting.

Mr. Lewis asked if there was anything else he could do to help with the process.

Mr. Smith said that it would be helpful if Mr. Lewis asked residents in the 400 block to sign a petition requesting no parking on Washington Street.

Meeting adjourned 4:40 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 3, 2003 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Stiehl Recording Secretary

TO: CHIEF ADAIR

FROM: SGT. JACOBSEN

SUBJECT: APRIL 2003 SCHOOL STEP

DATE: 5/16/2003

CC: BARB STIEHL

KING SCHOOL

DATE TIME VIOLATION DESCRIPTION

04/10/03 1400-1600 11-1414 PASSED SCHOOL BUS

PRAIRIE SCHOOL

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/17/03	1400-1600	11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-605	39 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		11-605	31 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/30/03	1300-1500	11-601b	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/16/03	1100-1300	NONE REPORTED	
UMS			
DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/07/03	0700-0900	11-601B	39 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	34 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	36 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/23/03	1500-1700	11-605	34 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		11-605	32 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-605	34 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
WILEY SCHOOL			
DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/02/03	0700-0900	11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/28/03	1400-1600	11-605	33 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE

TO: CHIEF ADAIR

FROM: SGT. JACOBSEN **SUBJECT:** APRIL 2003 STEP

DATE: 5/16/2003

CC: BARB STIEHL

BRADLEY AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/03/03	1100-1300	11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	58 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/29/03	1500-1700	11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

KINCH

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/01/03	1500-1700	11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/24/03	0700-0900	NONE REPORTED	

LINCOLN AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/04/03	1700-1900	11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/11/03	1100-1300	3-303	SUSPENDED DRIVER'S LICENSE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/15/03	0700-0900	11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/22/03	1300-1500	11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	47 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	49 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

Lincoln Avenue Continued

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/22/03	1300-1500	11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	49 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/26/03	1300-1500	11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

MAIN STREET

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/09/03	1500-1700	11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

RACE STREET

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/08/03	1500-1700	11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/19/03	1300-1500	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

WASHINGTON STREET

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/14/03	1100-1300	11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
04/18/03	1300-1500	NONE REPORTED	
04/25/03	1100-1300	6-303	SUSPENDED DRIVER'S LICENSE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

WINDSOR ROAD (PRAIRIE PLAY)

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/05/03	1100-1300	NONE REPORTED	
04/12/03	1300-1500	3-413	EXPIRED REGISTRATION
		11-601B	52 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	51 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	54 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	55 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE

Windsor Road Continued

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
04/21/03	0700-0900	11-601B	59 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	51 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	52 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

TO: CHIEF ADAIR

FROM: SGT. JACOBSEN

SUBJECT: MARCH 2003 SCHOOL STEP

DATE: 5/16/2003

CC: BARB STHIEL

PRAIRIE SCHOOL

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/11/03	1400-1600	11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

UHS

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/12/03	1100-1300	11-605	36 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE

UMS

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/07/03	1500-1700	11-705	IMPROPER PASSING
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		6-303	SUSPENDED DRIVER'S LICENSE
03/21/03	1500-1700	NONE REPORTED OFFIC	CER CALLED AWAY

UMS

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/31/03	0700-0900	11-605	34 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		11-605	30 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE

TO: CHIEF ADAIR

FROM: SGT. JACOBSEN

SUBJECT: MARCH 2003 STEP

DATE: 5/16/2003

CC: BARB STHIEL

BRADLEY AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/06/03	0700-0900	11-601b	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
03/18/03	1700-1900	11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
03/26/03	1300-1500	11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

CUNNINGHAM AVENUE

03/24/03	1500-1700	11-601B	48 MPH IN 35 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	52 MPH IN 35 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	52 MPH IN 35 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	51 MPH IN 35 MPH ZONE

LINCOLN AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/10/03	0700-0900	11-601B	47 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
03/14/03	1700-1900	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
•		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
03/25/03	1500-1700	11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	47 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	49 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

Lincoln Avenue (Continued)

11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

MAIN STREET

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/13/03	1200-1400	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

PENNSYLVANIA

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/20/03	1300-1500	11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

RACE STREET

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/27/03	1500-1700	11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	49 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	47 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

WASHINGTON (VINE TO PHILO)

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/17/03	1100-1300	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
03/28/03	0700-0900	11-601B	39 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE

WINDSOR ROAD

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
03/08/03	1100-1300	11-601B	57 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	54 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
03/29/03	1500-1700	11-601B	51 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	51 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	59 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		3-413F	EXPIRED REGISTRATION

TO: CHIEF ADAIR

FROM: SGT. JACOBSEN

SUBJECT: FEBRUARY SCHOOL STEP

DATE: 5/16/2003

CC: BARB STEIHL

KING SCHOOL

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION

02/18/03 1400-1600 NONE REPORTED

UHS

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION

02/10/03 1100-1300 11-601B 37 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

37 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

02/28/03 1500-1700 11-605 37 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE

11-601B 36 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

11-601B 40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

6-101 NO DRIVER'S LICENSE

3-707 NO INSURANCE

UMS

DATE TIME VIOLATION DESCRIPTION

02/14/03 1500-1700 11-601B 42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

PRAIRIE SCHOOL

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/03/03	1400-1600	11-605	32 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
		11-605	34 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
WILEY SCHOOL			
DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/07/03	0700-0900	12-503	DEFECTIVE WINDSHIELD
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		11-605	34 MPH IN 20 MPH ZONE
02/20/03	1400-1600	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		6-101	NO DRIVER'S LICENSE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		3-413F	EXPIRED REGISTRATION
		11-601B	43 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

TO: CHIEF ADAIR

FROM: SGT. JACOBSEN

SUBJECT: FEBRUARY STEP

DATE: 5/16/2003

CC: BARB STIEHL

BRADLEY AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/25/03	1730-1930	11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	52 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	44 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		6-303	SUSPENDED DRIVER'S LICENSE

CUNNINGHAM AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/21/03	1700-1900	11-601B	51 MPH IN 35 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	47 MPH IN 35 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	50 MPH IN 35 MPH ZONE

LINCOLN AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/04/03	0700-0900	11-601B	49 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	52 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	58 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	46 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
02/12/03	1300-1500	11-601B	48 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	47 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	49 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
02/17/03	1700-1900	11-601B	52 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		3-707	NO INSURANCE
		6-101	NO DRIVER'S LICENSE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
MAIN STREET			
DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/11/03	0700-0900	11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
			42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/05/03	0700-0900	11-601B	41 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

RACE STREET

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/06/03	1300-1500	11-601B	40 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	45 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	57 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-1204B	DISOBEYED STOP SIGN

UNIVERSITY AVENUE

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/24/03	0700-0900	11-601B	50 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	51 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	51 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	51 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE

WASHINGTON

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/19/03	1100-1300	11-601	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		6-101	NO DRIVER'S LICENSE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	42 MPH IN 30 MPH ZONE

WINDSOR ROAD

DATE	TIME	VIOLATION	DESCRIPTION
02/13/03	0700-0900	11-601B	54 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	53 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	60 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE
		11-601B	58 MPH IN 40 MPH ZONE