

**MEETING AGENDA  
CITY OF NISSWA GVL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018  
5:00 PM  
NISSWA CITY HALL**

Present: Chair John Ryan, Gary Johnson, Jenny Max, Tom Blomer, Bryant Ficek from Spack Consulting, Mark Ronnei, Dawn Musick, Anne Fisher, Maria Seep and Craig Wilfahrt. There was one person in the audience.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by John Ryan.

1. Spack Consulting – Review of Transportation Planning Services scope of work and discussion with Committee – Ryan introduced Bryant Ficek from Spack Consulting. Introductions were made around the table for the rest of the individuals present. Ficek provided an overview of the scope of work that will be completed for the traffic study. Ficek noted the dates of the study will be June 28<sup>th</sup> through July 1<sup>st</sup>. Cameras will be placed at six intersections as identified in the proposal, and video will be taken for a full 96 hours during those dates identified. If there is inclement weather, Ficek stated he is able to adjust the dates of the study if necessary. Ronnei noted that these dates are ideal due to GVL having a wedding, a corporate group, approximately 200 kids, and two check in/out times (both Friday and Sunday) at the resort. Ficek said that the video will capture vehicle counts, bicycles and pedestrian traffic.

Ficek said that he viewed the project area with City staff Jenny Max and Tom Blomer earlier in the afternoon, to better understand the needs of the project.

Ficek noted that these counts will provide a baseline for what is currently happening at the resort. From there, he will use forecasting methods to account for the expansion projects taking place plus account for any other known regional changes in the area that might impact traffic in and around the resort. Ficek said that he will also be in touch with WSB as they are currently performing traffic counts at the TH 371/CSAH 77/13 intersection for the County.

Various questions were asked by the Committee, including maximum resort guest capacity, safety concerns, parking, signage and speed limits. Ronnei noted that the resort currently can hold 460 guests at the main campus, with a total of 900 guests resort-wide. Ronnei also said the resort has added approximately 100 parking spaces in the past year as they know that parking can be an issue. GVL owns all four corners of the main intersection at Nokomis Avenue and CSAH 77 and Ronnei expressed he would like to see any/all options from the study to help determine what the best options might be.

The Committee discussed incorporating improved crosswalks throughout the resort and adding rain gardens. It was noted that no improvements have been made to Nokomis Avenue since the sewer was installed in the early 1990's. Forest Avenue was last resurfaced in 2009/2010.

2. Other Discussion – The Committee Resident group noted they would be working on communicating with the rest of the West/East Linden residents, and will provide a list of concerns to the City before the study begins. This list will be prioritized to help the City better understand the needs and concerns from the resident community.
3. Adjourn – The Committee meeting was adjourned at 6:02pm.