

MINUTES OF MEETING
DUSSEL DRIVE (ODOT PROJECT) SUB-COMMITTEE
ARROWHEAD PARK ASSOCIATION

January 7, 2009
Tomahawk Development Offices

Attending:

Mark Rasmus, Tomahawk Development
Carl Dettmer, Owens College
Brian Niedzwiecki, Stautzenberger College
Jan Lowell, Matrix Technologies
Brian Kosier for Pete Brotzki, UPS
Cathy Redford, The Andersons
Sue Utterback, APA Board of Trustees
Ohio Senator Mark Wagoner
Mayor Tim Wagener, City of Maumee
Theresa Pollick, ODOT
Sean Falk, Salsarita's
Pam Keller, Therma-Tru
Don Feller, Feller Finch & Associates

Mark Rasmus began the meeting by introducing Ohio State Senator Mark Wagoner and giving a brief summary of the ODOT project along Dussel Drive and the Salisbury Road Interchange. He explained that the Arrowhead Park Association's role was first to communicate to the Arrowhead public and keep it up-to-date on the construction project, second to help local businesses retain customers and finally, to speak positively via the media about the changes that will occur and assure it that businesses remain open.

Theresa Pollick then presented an update on the project. It is currently still on schedule, with the bid award to be March 5, 2009. Following the award, it will take approximately three weeks to process through Columbus (for the State of Ohio). The awarded contractor could, however, take steps during that period to prepare for the work to begin, so work should commence in late March – early April 2009.

Theresa reported the City of Toledo was receptive to placing signage at appropriate areas of Airport Highway, offering Airport Highway to Reynolds Road as alternate access to the Ohio Turnpike. This will aid in traffic control along Dussel Drive and the Interchange, once the project begins.

Brian Kosier, of UPS, discussed the possibility of gaining access for all UPS trucks (not just semi rigs) directly to the Ohio Turnpike. Mike Stormer indicated UPS would need to work directly with the Ohio Turnpike Commission on this.

Theresa further reported it may be possible to get additional signage for businesses and restaurants, depending on how the project is going and whether these businesses and restaurants are experiencing significant drop-off of business due to the project.

Representatives of The **Toledo Free Press** presented information on the possibility of having local businesses advertise in the paper. In return, they would feature updates on the project and inform readers that businesses will remain open during the project. (The **Toledo Blade** made a similar presentation at the APA Board of Trustees meeting, immediately preceding the committee meeting.) Sue Utterback also reported she could print a paper similar to the sample insert provided by the **Toledo Blade** at a reasonable cost. We will have further discussions regarding all the alternatives, and may also contact the **Maumee Mirror** newspaper to post updates regarding the project.

Mayor Wagener has not had an opportunity to speak with the Maumee Chief of Police regarding officers for traffic control during the crucial times (e.g. 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. M-F). Mayor Wagener will discuss with the Police Chief and report back.

There was much discussion about various ideas to help alleviate traffic issues. Some of these included:

- Making Indian Wood Circle one way, in order to avoid traffic backups for traffic coming into Arrowhead Park via Manley Road.
- Constructing a Roundabout at the intersection of Ford Street and Indian Wood Circle.
- Installing "No Thru Traffic" signs at the appropriate locations
- Re-configuring one or more of the UPS entrances
- A camera at the Salisbury interchange for traffic updates

Discussion will continue at future committee meetings.

Additional committee meetings were scheduled for the following dates, with the meetings to be held at the Tomahawk Development Offices, directly following the APA Board of Trustees Meeting:

February 4, 2009

March 4, 2009

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Redford
APA Board of Trustees

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