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**VILLAGE OF LAKE ZURICH
COMMUNITY-POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
200 Mohawk Trail, Lake Zurich
June 18, 2025 at 6:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Laurie Stutzman at 6:32 PM.

Present committee members: Acting Chairperson Laurie Stutzman, Corey Frank, Public Works Director Michael Brown, Sergeant Eric Bereza, Deputy Chief Tony Grunder

Absent: Chairperson Sean Gallagher, Village Trustee Roger Sugrue

Guests: Chris Roberti (975 Brittany Road)
Joe Ozanic (920 Brittany Road)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 19, 2025

MOTION to approve the meeting minutes of March 19, 2025 made by Laurie Stutzman, seconded by Corey Frank.

Voice votes: No objection. MOTION CARRIED

3. OLD BUSINESS

- **Proposal to restrict parking to one side only on Brittany Road between Old Mill Grove Road and Timberwood Drive.**
- Sergeant Bereza restated a proposal, initially presented at the March 19th meeting, to restrict parking on one side of Brittany Road due to the concerns of resident, Heather Wooden. Two videos, provided by Heather Wooden, were played showing the area of concern. Sergeant Bereza provided additional data including measurements of Brittany Road with and without parked vehicles present. Sergeant Bereza informed the committee there were no traffic crashes on Brittany Road between 01/01/2021 – 06/01/2025 and only two parking complaints during the same timeframe. Sergeant Bereza shared District 95 Director of Safety and Security Danielle Steven's opinion on the proposal in which they were in favor of the proposal if it increased the safety of pedestrians and motorists in the area. Sergeant Bereza also read an email from another resident who was against the parking restriction. The resident stated he has been parking on Brittany Road during drop-off and pick-up times for four years. The drivers are respectful and cautious and there haven't been any concerning issues. He believed the proposal was well intentioned but is trying to fix a problem that doesn't exist. He further believed the parking restriction would cause the issue to move to another location.
- Director Brown asked about the possibility of District 95 changing the traffic pattern for drop-off and pick-up at Sarah Adams to possibly decrease the amount of parents parking on Brittany Road. Director Brown was concerned the parking restriction would just push the issue further down to other areas on Brittany Road and possibly on other side roads as well. Director Brown

advised consideration should be made to restrict parking for the entire length of Brittany Road and on Timberwood Drive if the parking restriction was approved.

- Deputy Chief Grunder stated that based on the videos, there does appear to be a safety issue if vehicles are parked on both sides. Deputy Chief Grunder added the curvature in the road also created a line-of-sight issue.
- Laurie Stutzman would like further information on how the parking restriction would affect other areas near the restricted area.
- Joe Ozanic advised his vehicle was struck by another vehicle while parked on Brittany Road. He lives on Brittany Road and is constantly having to tell other drivers to move as they are blocking his driveway. Joe Ozanic supports the parking restriction and believes it should extend past Timberwood Drive. Joe Ozanic further stated this area would be safer as no pedestrians would have to cross Brittany Road as no vehicles would be parked on the north side of the roadway.
- Chris Roberti supported the parking restriction. She also lives on Brittany Road. Chris Roberti advised drivers constantly use other people's driveways to turn around. She said driving down Brittany Road during drop-off and pick-up times has always been a struggle and dangerous, further stating vehicles always whip around the curve. Chris Roberti said it's not safe when vehicles are parked on both sides and she has had to stop multiple times to allow oncoming vehicles to pass due to the narrow space between parked cars.

MOTION to table this matter until the September CPAC meeting was made by Laurie Stutzman, seconded by Corey Frank.

Voice votes: No objection. MOTION CARRIED

- **Proposal to restrict parking to one side only on Ensell Road between Factor and Capital Drive.**
- Sergeant Bereza restated a proposal, initially presented at the March 19th meeting, to restrict parking on one side of Ensell Road due to the traffic safety concerns. Multiple photographs were shown of the area showing semi-trucks parked on both sides of the road and blocking driveways of other businesses. Sergeant Bereza provided additional data including measurements of Ensell Road with and without parked vehicles present. The curve in the roadway provides a 400-foot line-of-sight and even less when parked vehicles obstruct a driver's vision. Sergeant Bereza informed the committee there were five traffic crashes in the area between 06/01/2020 – 06/01/2025 and 250 parking complaints during the same timeframe. The first parking complaint occurred on 04/21/2022, shortly after Factor opened. Sergeant Bereza advised a representative of the Industrial Park Council agreed the parked semi-trucks have become an issue and they would support a parking restriction.
- Deputy Chief Grunder advised Ensell Road is the only road in the industrial park which is curved. The curvature in the road creates a line-of-sight issue especially when parked semi-trucks obstructs the driver's vision. Deputy Chief Grunder believed a parking restriction would displace the semi-trucks into other safer areas in the industrial park. He is in support of the parking restriction in this area due to the curved roadway features and the increased volume of semi-trucks in this particular area. Deputy Chief Grunder also noted Ensell Road is used as a school bus route.
- Laurie Stutzman stated the onus should be on Factor as most of the semi-trucks parked in this area are related to that business. She further stated she would support the parking restriction if the police believed it would help alleviate the parking complaints and other issues in the area.
- Corey Frank stated he doesn't believe the semi-truck drivers would comply with the parking restriction and the photographs showed they were not complying with existing parking restrictions already.

- Director Brown believed the parking restriction would have to extend to Telser Road. Director Brown stated consideration should be made to restrict parking on one side throughout the entire industrial park as this parking issue would just be displaced into other areas. Director Brown would like further conversations with the Industrial Park Council before a decision was made.

MOTION to table this matter until the September CPAC meeting was made by Corey Frank, seconded by Laurie Stutzman.

Voice votes: No objection. MOTION CARRIED

4. NEW BUSINESS

- None.

5. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Michael Brown, seconded by Laurie Stutzman.

Voice votes: No objection. MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM

Respectfully submitted: Sergeant Eric Bereza

Approved by:  _____ Chairperson