

VILLAGE OF WINNEBAGO MEMORANDUM OF RECOMMENDATION

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Sergeant Nicholas Haff

Meeting Name: Village Board

Meeting Date: May 13, 2024

Item Name: McNair Road Speed Limit Change

Background:

The Village of Winnebago recently enacted a UTV Ordinance, regulating the operation of UTVs (Utility Terrian Vehicles) within its jurisdiction. As part of this ordinance, certain speed limits would need to be adjusted to ensure compliance and mitigate potential safety concerns. East McNair Road is identified as a critical route impacted by the UTV Ordinance. Additionally, this speed limit change would bring McNair Road in line with other village roadways and would also make the road safer for pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

After conducting a speed study, the Police Committee recommended lowering the speed limit at McNair Road to 35 miles per hour. At the March 11th Village Board Meeting, the Village Board asked the Police Committee to evaluate the need for a public hearing. After evaluating the situation it was learned that recently, Winnebago County changed the speed limit on Cunningham Road from 55 miles per hour to 50 miles per hour just to east of the corporate limits of the Village of Winnebago. This was done without a public hearing to discuss the changes with community stakeholders.

At their March 26th Police Committee meeting, the committee recommended that at their next scheduled meeting, the village board change the speed limit from 45 to 35 miles per hour.

Following the April 8th Village Board Meeting, the Village Board elected to hold a Public Hearing on the matter before the May 13, 2024 Village Board Meeting.

Motion: I move to approve Ordinance 2024-___ an ordinance that the speed limit on East McNair Road be adjusted from 45 to 35 miles per hour in accordance with the recommendation of the Police Committee.