

GLENDALE RAILROAD SAFETY & QUIET ZONE COMMITTEE

August 8, 2007 Meeting Minutes (Revised)

Next meeting: Wednesday, August 22, from 6:30-8:30 pm at Town Hall.

August 8 attendance: Jack Buescher, Oliver Debikey, John Earls, Ralph Hoop, Dan Raabe, Dave Schmid, Dr. Allen Zobay. Mayor Joe Hubbard attended part time.

Next Steps:

1. Finalize prework questions for a phone conference between the QZ Committee and Mr. Mel McNichols, CSX Transportation Principal Engineer Public Projects. – Dan Raabe
2. Determine in detail the effect of Wayside Horns on residents closest to rail crossings. – Oliver Debikey
3. Determine the possibility of Glendale crossing safety upgrades (e.g., Constant Warning Time circuitry) funded from the Ohio State Crossing Upgrade Program. – Debbie Grueninger
4. Prepare QZ Committee progress report to be presented to Glendale Village Council on September 4. – Ralph Hoop

Dan Raabe had an initial phone contact with Cliff Stayton, CSX Transportation Director of Public Safety. CSX believes the safest crossing is provided when trains sound their horns. With that said, CSX does recognize Quiet Zones, but requires the local governing authority to follow the letter of the law for maintaining the Quiet Zone.

Mr. McNichols is willing to participate in a conference call to discuss a Glendale Quiet Zone. It will be most productive if the Glendale Railroad Safety & Quiet Zone Committee provides him with a list of our questions in advance. The Committee intends for this conference call to take place as quickly as possible.

Mr. McNichols also said that CSX would participate in a Diagnostic Team review of the Glendale crossings at no charge. Preliminary engineering agreements to develop actual cost estimates for Supplementary Safety Measures will cost \$10-25,000 per crossing.

A new CSX Transportation section providing additional detail has been added to the Assumptions & Issues document. Details of other comments made during the August 8 meeting are also shown in Revision 4 of the A&I document.

For the Committee

Ralph Hoop