



**KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY, BIKEWAYS & PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**Thursday, November 8, 2018
Keizer City Council Chambers**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Frey called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. The following were present:

Present:

Wayne Frey, Chair
Pat Fisher, Vice Chair
Joe Tilman
Hersch Sangster
David Dempster
Michael DeBlasi

Absent:

Kathy Lincoln

Council Liaison:

Marlene Parsons - Absent

Staff Present:

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder
Mike Griffin, Public Works

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: David Dempster moved to approve the October 2018 Minutes.
Hersch Sangster seconded. Motion passed as follows: Frey, Dempster, Sangster, Tilman and Fisher in favor with DeBlasi abstaining and Lincoln absent.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS ~ None

PARKWAY BIKE PATH SIGNAGE: Pat Fisher reported that she and Hersch had not met as hoped but she had made some phone calls to ODOT and was waiting to hear back from them. She noted that the purpose of the signs is to provide information at the access points to tell what key destinations are in Keizer, identify parks, baseball fields, the transit center, City Hall, etc. They would also indicate mileage to various points.

David Dempster added that some time ago he had contacted Salem about their pedestrian signage, but those signs are very expensive. Hersch Sangster interjected that he thought they were purchased through a grant. Further discussion took place regarding connecting the Keizer side of the bike path on the Parkway to the Salem side.

COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT

Joe Tilman inquired about new construction and sidewalk requirements. Mike Griffin explained that the construction in question was actually not new, but reconstruction of a residence that had burned down so sidewalks were not required.

Hersch Sangster reported that he had met with McNary principal, Eric Jespersen, who is excited to get new bike racks for the school since the bond measure passed. Mr. Sangster has worked with C-TEC because they built four of them for the Saturday Market downtown and the ones at South Salem High School. Two McNary teachers have offered to help. Mr. Sangster indicated that he has come up with \$1200 for the project. He also reported that

he had just finished a project at the Boys & Girls Club repairing bikes given to them 10-15 years ago. These are the bikes used for bike skills fairs. There are 25 of them and they have helmets and safety vests as well.

Pat Fisher suggested that committee members be prepared next month to make a list of all the different efforts they want to address in the coming year such as:

- Bike Friendly Businesses
- Biking/Walking Route Maps
- Wayfinding Signage along Willamette Valley Scenic Bikeway
- Safe Routes to School Action Plans
- Working with Loren Sanitation on publicizing or making people aware of where to put garbage cans so they don't block sidewalks or bike lanes

Ms. Fisher also urged that now that construction is complete on Plymouth between River and Cherry, the bike lane be striped at the appropriate width.

Wayne Frey noted that the committee had missed the opportunity to participate in "Walk to School Day" but there would be another one in May. He suggested planning an event in conjunction with this. He also suggested that perhaps committee members could talk to PTAs or a classroom and/or Neighborhood Associations.

Michael DeBlasi asked if the city had formally adopted AASHTO (American Association of Highway and Transportation Officials) or NACTO (National Association of City Transportation Officials) street design standards. Following discussion committee members suggested that Keizer adopt whichever standards Salem has adopted. Mr. DeBlasi also urged members to participate in a Safe Routes to School webinar on the 15th and noted that Safe Routes to Parks grant applications are due by December 10. *Hersch Sangster* suggested that perhaps the committee could partner with the Parks Board on this. He volunteered to attend the next Parks Board meeting. It was agreed that it was probably too late to apply this year, but planning could begin for next year.

STAFF REPORT: Mike Griffin reported that staff has been busy cleaning catch basins to get ready for the rainy season. He urged everyone to refrain from blowing their leaves into the street because they clog the catch basins.

POLICE LIAISON REPORT: Officer LeDay was absent.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: Marlene Parsons reported that all the new police officers would be on the road on Monday; Mr. Anderson from Newburg Avenue attended the last Council meeting complaining of the damage caused by McNary students in his neighborhood and asking that the gate be locked; Council sent a letter of support for reinstating commercial air service at the Salem airport; and the school district/St. Edwards eminent domain issue remains unresolved.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ December 13, 2018, 6 p.m.

Minutes Approved: 12-13-18