



KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY, BIKEWAYS & PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, October 10, 2019
Keizer City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Chair DeBlasi called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Roll call follows:

Present:

Michael DeBlasi, Chair
Pat Fisher, Vice Chair
Kathy Lincoln
Hersch Sangster
David Dempster
Wayne Frey

Staff Present:

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder
Mike Griffin, PW Division Manager
Sgt. David LeDay – Police Liaison
Councilor Parsons for Councilor Kohler

Absent:

One Position Vacant

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Pat Fisher moved to approve the September 2019 Minutes. Hersch Sangster seconded. Motion passed as follows: DeBlasi, Dempster, Sangster, Lincoln and Fisher in favor with Frey absent and one position vacant.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS: *Walter Sacha and Jim Byrnes, Keizer,* both living on Mandarin, complained of speeding vehicles on Mandarin suggesting that the violators are going 50-60 mph. They asked that speed limit signs be posted and requested either installation of speed bumps or a barricade. They noted that the 7 a.m. morning commuters are the most frequent violators. They suggested that more police officers be hired to serve exclusively in that area and that their salary be paid with the revenue generated from the tickets given out.

Mike Griffin, Public Works, suggested that they start the process for control of the speeding traffic by using the Neighborhood Traffic Management Program which outlines the steps necessary and provides the necessary forms. Sgt. LeDay indicated that police would be dispatched to the area. David Dempster urged them to come to a Budget Committee meeting and ask for more police.

PUBLIC WORKS NOTIFICATION OF PROJECTS TO COMMITTEE: Chair DeBlasi explained that the committee would like to know early on about projects so that they can provide input at the design phase like they did when McLeod was updated for the Bonaventure project. Mike Griffin agreed to give them a 'heads up' but added that their input would need to come as a recommendation to Council. He added that the City uses professionals to design projects and that there are additional stipulations depending on where the funding is coming from. Pat Fisher noted that she would like a more formalized process; perhaps a quarterly list of projects showing projects the City has committed to and the timeframe.

Kathy Lincoln urged the committee, instead, to look at the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), David Dempster suggested checking the Long Range Plans in the Master Plan on the City's website. Hersch Sangster and David Dempster indicated that they felt this was not in the purview of this committee.

OTHER BUSINESS: (Taken out of order because Ms. Fisher needed to leave.) Pat Fisher shared a publication about bike facility separation and referred to the bike lane in front of Keizer Elementary School. Discussion followed. Mike Griffin noted that there is a stipulation as to why the bike lane is there and Public Works has no intention of removing it. Officer LeDay noted that this was discussed at length at the last meeting and the committee had agreed that no further discussion was needed.

SCHOOL ZONE SPEED LIMITS: Discussion took place as to the guidelines associated with school zones and the possibility of extending them. Committee members agreed to do individual research and address this at the next meeting.

PROJECTS REPORTS:

Wayne Frey – Bike Parking Facilities in Schools and Parks: No report.

Pat Fisher - Parkway Path Signage & Public Outreach/Trash Receptacles: No report

Kathy Lincoln – City-wide Missing Link/Neighborhood Connectivity: Has marked spots on a map that could benefit from sidewalks or better separation from the street. Is going to check the Traffic System Plan next and will try to put the two together as a suggestion to improve the TSP when it is updated. David Dempster suggested that the committee approach Council about increasing funding to Public Works in order to connect sidewalks and suggested that perhaps a commitment of one mile of sidewalks per year could be made and budgeted for.

Hersch Sangster –McNary Upgrade Status: Work is continuing. He has been assured that once the building is complete and traffic flow has been established, they will focus on the bike rack. Additional Bike Repair Station: Location: Permission has not been granted yet for placement at Kennedy Elementary School because he has not been able to reach the principal.

COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT: David Dempster shared information about the helmet fund noting that 21 helmets were sold at the Open House on Monday, \$300 is owed to the helmet fund by Lakepoint, and a grant for \$200 has been requested from the Salem Bike Club. Additional grants will be requested from the Fire Fighters Association and the Police Association.

STAFF REPORT: Street Division Manager Mike Griffin reported that the Public Works Open House went well and the storm crew is almost done with the catch basins and manhole inspections.

POLICE LIAISON REPORT: Sergeant LeDay had no report.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: Councilor Parsons reported that the Skate Park is open, shade sail posts have been installed at the Big Toy, the Revitalization Plan was addressed at the last Council meeting and the ordinance adopting it will come back at the next meeting, and In & Out will be opening in the next 4-6 weeks.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ November 7, 2019, 6 p.m.

Minutes Approved: 11-07-19