KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY, BIKEWAYS & PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, September 25, 2014
Keizer City Hall

CALL TO ORDER
Chair McCormack called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE

Present:
Curt McCormack, Chair
Dennis Dunning
David Dempster
Shelly Paddock
Sherrie Gottfried

Absent:
Hersch Sangster, Vice Chair
Kathy Lincoln

Staff/Liaisons Present:
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder
Jim Taylor, Council Liaison
Trevor Wenning, Police Department
Bill Lawyer, Public Works Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES ~ David Dempster moved to approve the August 2014 Minutes. Shelly Paddock seconded. Motion passed as follows: McCormack, Dunning, Dempster, Paddock and Gottfried in favor with Sangster and Lincoln absent.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS ~ None

WAY-FINDING PEDESTRIAN SIGNAGE ~ Sherrie Gottfried reported that she had been unable to meet with BAM to get a price. Bill Lawyer reported that signs directing traffic to River Road from Keizer Station have been made and will be installed when the special brackets have been delivered. A contractor will be hired to mount them.

KEIZER RAPIDS PARK DESIGN IDEAS ~ Councilor Taylor announced that the indoor sports facility was a "given" because urban renewal funds earmarked for the facility were used to purchase the property. Chair McCormack noted that there did not seem to be any biking facilities included in the list developed by the Parks Board through two public hearings. Mr. Lawyer provided clarification on various parts of the park, existing and proposed trails, and the BMX location. He noted that the Master Plan is a "wish list"; funding is not a consideration.

David Dempster moved that the Traffic Safety/Bikeways/Pedestrian Committee recommend to the Parks Board that the Keizer Rapids Park design include a BMX area and attention be paid to bicycle friendly trails. Dennis Dunning seconded. Motion passed as follows: McCormack, Dunning, Dempster, Paddock and Gottfried in favor with Sangster and Lincoln absent.

Chair McCormack indicated that he did not feel it was appropriate for the committee to decide on the placement of the Big Toy. He suggested that the TBP representative (Kathy Lincoln with Sherrie Gottfried as backup) make an effort to get that understanding at the charrette and provide input accordingly.

COMMISSIONER INPUT

David Dempster reported that the Lakepoint Church event held on Sunday was well attended; 30 bike helmets were given away. He added that the Fire Department is having their Safety Fair on October 6 and he signed up the TBP for it. Curt, Hersch and David will man the booth. Bill Lawyer will make sure the helmets in the Civic Center get moved to the pump station.

Curt McCormack reported that he had checked with the Police Department to see how many helmets they had given away and Ronna indicated that have not given away any. Requesters are invited to fill in a form requesting a helmet from the TBP. Mr. McCormack picked up the forms and will contact the requesters. One of the requesters was from the Simonka House. When Mr. McCormack went there, he gave away 7 helmets to children between ages 5 and 10. He asked officer Wenning about what appeared to be a malfunctioning signal light at Wheatland and River Road. Sgt. Wenning responded that he would check it out. Mr. Lawyer provided additional information on the function of signal lights and indicated that he would look into it as well.

Sherrie Gottfried distributed flyers about an Oregon Restaurant and Lodging event and suggested that this is something that Keizer should do. She explained that there needs to be 35 participants and that pursuing this would bring in tourism dollars. She added that she would contact people to participate. Councilor Taylor urged Ms. Gottfried to bring this to the next Council meeting. Chair McCormack urged members to check out the links on the handout and come back with suggestions for Sherrie. Sherrie volunteered to approach Keizer City Council and attend council meetings in rural areas.

Dennis Dunning commended the City on the Shoreline Drive project but noted that allowing parking on both sides of the street will make emergency vehicle access difficult. Mr. Lawyer responded that parking is the same as it has been before, but some yellow curb painting has not been completed.

STAFF REPORT ~ Mr. Lawyer provided updates on projects including the Shoreline project and the Chemawa Road North project.

POLICE LIAISON REPORT ~ Officer Wenning reported that the Seatbelt Grant and the DUI Grant are almost complete. He will have a report on those next month.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT ~ Councilor Taylor reported that Council had “nixed” the apartments on the Herber property.

ADJOURN*:* Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ October 23, 2014, 6 p.m., Civic Center

Minutes Approved: *10-23-14*