



**KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**Thursday, September 24, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m.
Keizer City Hall**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Richter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ATTENDANCE

Present:

Elwood "Woody" Richter, Chair
Donna Bradley, Vice Chair
Eamon Bishop
Joel Stein, Fire Marshal
Edwin Thompson
Richard Hoover
Steve Prothero
David McKane, Council Liaison

Staff Present:

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City
Recorder
Rob Kissler, Public Works Director

Also Present:

David Dempster, Bikeways

- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** ~ Commissioner Prothero moved to approve the July 2009 Minutes. Commissioner Thompson seconded. Motion passed unanimously as follows: Richter, Bradley, Bishop, Stein, Thompson, Hoover and Prothero in favor.

4. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS ~ None

5. OLD BUSINESS

- **O'Neil Road** ~ Mr. Kissler reported that this issue is under internal review adding that there may be something new to report at the November meeting. Councilor McKane added that he believed it to be the will of the Council not to condemn any property for a sidewalk.
- **Sonic Traffic Issues/Emergency Access** ~ Joel Stein reported that the Fire District had taken emergency equipment to the Sonic parking lot and the engine made it through fine. He added that the medic, ambulance and first out engine would be able to navigate the lot, but the ladder truck would have difficulty.
- **St. Croix Re-routing Traffic** ~ Mr. Kissler noted that this was still in the works.

- 6. BIKEWAYS REPORT** ~ Mr. Dempster reported that two more Bicycle Safety classes had been held with only a few participants at the middle class and no one at the last class. The committee was disappointed at the lack of participation and is regrouping and working on ideas to get information out to everyone and promote greater interest and participation including scheduling the classes during the school year. The committee has re-applied for a grant and is asking for funding to purchase helmets,

headlights and taillights and educational materials. In conclusion, Mr. Dempster explained the process for distributing and fitting helmets and reported that the committee had received a loan from Council so that they could utilize the full amount of grant funding available in the current grant. When the committee is reimbursed by ACTS Oregon, they will repay the loan from Council.

7. **POLICE LIAISON REPORT** ~ Sgt. LeDay was absent. No report.
8. **COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT** ~ Councilor McKane reported that Council had loaned money to the Bikeways, as reported by Mr. Dempster, and debated various issues at the last meeting but none of them were relevant to traffic safety.
9. **STAFF REPORT** ~ Public Works Director Rob Kissler reported that
 - The Candlewood Project is complete. It is a bike lane from Cherry Avenue to Brooks and 100 feet onto Brooks so it ties in to the Parkway bike path and provides a pedestrian corridor.
 - The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARA) granted funding to Salem, Keizer, Turner, Marion County and Polk County. Keizer received funding for overlay pavement repairs and signal upgrades. The second piece is resurfacing of Lockhaven from River Road to Windsor Island Road and the final piece is Wheatland Road from Second Avenue to the city limits. He noted that preliminary work can be done now, but paving will have to wait until spring. Mr. Kissler then explained that this was Phase 1 and, because the bids came in below what was anticipated and because Turner was unable to fulfill their part resulting in their portion being redistributed among the remaining entities, Keizer would also be able to do Phase 2. This work involves resurfacing of Verda Lane between Chemawa and Dearborn including the intersection and west to Claggett Creek Bridge and resurfacing the 1700-2100 blocks of Chemawa Road NE. He concluded that the Keizer Street Fund had to budget for the preliminary engineering on these projects but nothing else.

Additional discussion took place regarding paving details, and the effect of the Marion County expansion of the Windsor Island Road gravel pit on the intersection of Lockhaven and Windsor Island Road. Commissioners also discussed plans for improvements on Chemawa Road west of River Road to Keizer Rapids Park with Mr. Kissler explaining that the City had applied for a Transportation Enhancement Grant for this project and was optimistic about getting the award. He explained that it would be a federal aid project with engineering beginning in the spring and the next budget year determining acquisition of right of way and development of the preliminary design. It would also involve getting an ODOT approved consultant on board.

10. **COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE** ~ Commission agreed there was no need to report to Council.
11. **ADJOURNMENT** ~ Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Next Meeting ~ October 22, 2009 Civic Center

Minutes Approved: 10-22-09