



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

**Thursday, August 11, 2016
Keizer City Council Chambers**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sangster called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm. The following were in attendance:

Present:

Hersch Sangster, Chair
Pat Fisher, Vice Chair
David Dempster
Kathy Lincoln
Wayne Frey
Dennis Dunning

Council Liaison:

Kim Freeman

Absent:

John Maurice

Staff Present:

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Pat Fisher moved to approve the July 2016 Minutes.
Dennis Dunning seconded. Motion passed as follows: Sangster, Dempster and Fisher in favor with Lincoln, Frey and Dunning abstaining and Maurice absent.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS: None

PARKING ISSUES NEAR McNARY: Hersch Sangster and Pat Fisher provided background about this issue to committee members who were not at the July meeting. Chair Sangster noted that Officer Wenning would be providing a report which the committee could discuss at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT OREGON TRANSPORTATION SAFETY CONFERENCE: Chair Sangster indicated that he would be attending and encouraged other members to do so. He noted that there was money in the budget to pay for two members to attend. Interested parties should inform City staff.

BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY DESIGNATION – Subcommittee Report: Chair Sangster reported that the application had been submitted and thanked Pat Fisher and John Maurice for their work on it. Results will probably come in the fall.

PARKWAY BIKE TRAIL SIGNAGE: Nothing completed at this time.

UPDATE OF CURRENT KEIZER BIKE ROUTES: Chair Sangster suggested that more bike rides be developed and posted on the website. He volunteered to use a GPS program to redesign an existing ride for committee approval. Pat Fisher suggested that the verbiage be changed to bullet points with distances to make the directions easier to read. She also

suggested that commuter routes be developed. Chair Sangster suggested that 'kid rides', 'neighborhood cruiser rides' and longer recreational rides be developed and posted as well.

COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT

Pat Fisher suggested that:

- The Committee look into the Safe Routes to School mini-grant and that the committee do a city-wide assessment of the conditions where children are walking to school and the physical barriers preventing children from walking to school. Maybe then priorities can be set and the committee can go to the schools and share the information. Perhaps a sub-group could pursue this.
- When the results of the Bike Friendly Community designation comes back, businesses be encouraged to pursue the Bicycle Friendly Business designation.
- A Sunday Parkways type of event be held in conjunction with parades and festivals in Keizer by simply keeping the road closed longer so cyclists can cruise.

Hersch Sangster reported that:

- He had deposited a check for \$300 from the Salem Bike Club Grant, plus \$10 from sales.
- The minister from Lakepoint wants the committee to sell helmets at the upcoming ServFest.
- Keizer Transit Center has a full bike repair station with a rack, tools and a bike pump. He suggested that the Keizer Times do an article about it so that cyclists are made aware of it. He added that he would like to see one at City Hall. Kathy Lincoln volunteered to find out how much the repair station cost the Transit District.
- He met with Travel Salem and encouraged businesses to apply for Bicycle Friendly designations.
- Cyclocross is at Keizer Rapids Park every Monday night in August.
- Marion County Childhood Obesity Prevention program has funding and the Safe Routes to School could tie into that. Meetings are planned with the new school superintendent and possibly contact could be made with the new Cummings principal for support.
- Maintenance issues should be reported to various maintenance districts. He distributed a map showing the districts and contacts.
- He left flyers for Trevor Wenning on Safe Passage for Cyclists: Oregon Pedestrian and Driver Rules.
- Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles has completely reformatted the Driver's Manual. It is more like a reference book divided into sections that have test questions. There will be questions in the test that include pedestrians and cyclists.

Kathy Lincoln suggested that the committee work on a speed study of Wheatland Road and/or a safety study of River Road. Both might be useful in the upcoming Traffic Systems Plan update. She reported that *regarding the Stark/Jack intersection*¹ she had attended the Highland Neighborhood Association meeting in Salem and the association said that, if the neighbors wanted to get together and come up with a letter, they would take it to Salem, but most of the Salem people are not using that intersection, so it might be difficult to get buy in. She suggested that the committee consider what can be done on the Keizer side.

¹ Clarification added (*italics*) as suggested prior to approval at September meeting

Wayne Frey reported that some trees needed trimming south of Perkins on the west side of River Road. Committee suggested he email Mike Griffin.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT ~ Councilor Freeman commended the committee on their Bike Friendly Community designation application, reported on National Night Out, provided an update on the status of the roundabout and the recent Council Work Session.

Committee members urged staff to post roundabout driving/safety information provided by ODOT on the website soon so that drivers would be prepared when the roundabout is complete.

ADJOURN ~ Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ September 8, 2016, 6 p.m.

Minutes Approved: 9-8-16