



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

**Thursday, July 14, 2016
Keizer City Council Chambers**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sangster called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The following were in attendance:

Present:

Hersch Sangster, Chair
Pat Fisher, Vice Chair
David Dempster
John Maurice

Council Liaison:

Kim Freeman

Absent:

Kathy Lincoln
Wayne Frey
Dennis Dunning

Staff Present:

Trevor Wenning, Police
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

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

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

Charles Anderson, Keizer, urged that the gate from Newberg to the McNary High School parking lot be locked so that students would not park in his neighborhood. He complained that they littered, used drugs, were inappropriately affectionate, disrupted the neighborhood and woke him up in the morning with their noise. He explained that he had approached the School District and his request was denied but the Board was considering opening the gates at Sandy and Robindale and possibly adding a gate on Orchard.

Mike Catlow, Keizer, echoed complaints of Mr. Anderson adding that he cannot work in his yard because vehicles are parked with their bodies over the grass and in the winter the drivers spin their tires, spraying gravel and making holes.

Councilor Freeman noted that both gentlemen had come to Council with this complaint and Council had directed the Police Department to work with them and urged them to work with the school to determine if anything could be done.

Officer Wenning added that the Police Department had been working diligently on this matter and had a file to document the efforts. He volunteered to summarize the findings and send the documents to the committee for their information. He added that the Department has been working to resolve this issue but that the cars are not illegally parked.

Committee members agreed to review the information and discuss the matter at the August meeting.

BICYCLE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY DESIGNATION – Subcommittee Report: Chair Sangster reported that the application is 85% complete. Copies and links were sent to Mike Griffin, Bill Lawyer and Chris Eppley so they can see the blank areas. The Committee will meet next week to finish but they will need help from City staff.

On a somewhat related issue Chair Sangster noted that the Willamette Scenic Bikeway is getting publicity from national groups. It is the longest Scenic Bikeway and is being featured in national publications. Additionally Keizer is getting a new hotel right on the bike route.

PARKWAY BIKE TRAIL SIGNAGE: Chair Sangster announced that he had lost the map he and Pat Fisher had worked on so they will have to start over.

COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT

David Dempster questioned if signs were necessary on the bike routes since everyone uses their telephones for navigation purposes. Members agreed to review the current Keizer bike routes and possibly update them with the addition of business/assistance locations.

Pat Fisher reported that she had been busy working on the Bicycle Friendly Community designation application and hoped to begin again to work on recruiting businesses to become 'Bicycle Friendly' businesses.

Hersch Sangster reported that the Salem Bike Club had authorized \$300 for the Helmet Program. They did not award the full \$500 because the Monster Cookie Ride didn't make as much money. Alex Phillips also met with the Club and requested \$5,000 which they didn't have so she asked instead for proponents for sections of the Scenic Bikeway. Proponents do not have to be super involved, but need to make sure signs are up. The Salem Bike Club will be developing a goal of Ankeny to Champoeg and the West Keizer Neighborhood Association has indicated that they want to help. Local businesses could also help by becoming Bicycle Friendly. They do not need to be on the route to get this designation.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT ~ Councilor Freeman reported that the roundabout was on schedule and clarified a comment she had made at the last meeting regarding getting funding for projects. She explained that the committee would need to put together a 'wish list' (i.e. flashing pedestrian light near McNary) and submit a budget request.

POLICE LIAISON REPORT ~ Trevor Wenning reported that Blast Camp has been going on this week. Several news channels filmed and did interviews. Traffic related to the roundabout is being addressed. PD has requested Public Works to push the westbound traffic on Lockhaven to let 20-30 cars through instead of 10-20. He will be talking to the project manager. Officer Wenning also reviewed crash data for the Stark/Jack intersection noting that there have been three in the past month but a total of 4 since 2003. Three of the four were northbound on Stark. He reminded the committee that Salem owns half of the intersection and they refuse to do anything so Keizer cannot do anything either. Pat Fisher suggested cross hatching the intersection to give the perception that the intersection is narrow.

ADJOURN ~ Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ August 11, 2016, 6 p.m.

Minutes Approved: 08-11-16