



**KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**Thursday, June 24, 2004 @ 7:00 p.m.
Keizer City Hall – Conference Room B**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

Present:

Steve Prothero, Chair
Randy Jackson
Johnny Alexander
Susan Keen
Gerald Watson

Also Present:

Lance Inman, Police Liaison
Debbie Lockhart, Recording Secretary
Ron Kissler, Public Works

Absent:

Debbie Schneekloth
David Dehlin

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes ~ Randy Jackson moved for approval of the February 26, 2004, minutes. Johnny Alexander seconded.

Motion passed unanimously as follows:

AYES Prothero, Alexander, Jackson, Watson and Keen (5)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSENT: Schneekloth and Dehlin (2)

ABSTENTIONS: None (0)

4. APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

None

5. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

➤ **River Road Renaissance Report** ~ Randy Jackson reported that he did not attend the May 26 River Road Renaissance meeting. He noted, however, that the initial findings and reports from the community meetings were provided to Council and implementation plans are being developed.

➤ **ACTS Oregon Grants** ~ Chair Prothero reported that his first impression is that it is going to be more difficult to get a grant this year and reviewed the eligible uses

for the grants. Gerald Watson suggested that perhaps a study about school safety and sidewalks should be investigated for this grant.

Lance Inman suggested requesting a solar powered display trailer or a radar speed display to be fixed to a school zone flasher that says "School Zone Speed/Your Speed". After lengthy discussion consensus was given for Chair Prothero to check with ACTS to see if a study or consultant would be appropriate and to check with the school district to see if they have any information on sidewalk usage.

- *Oregon Transportation Safety Conference* ~ Chair Prothero reported that the conference will be held in Wilsonville on September 22 through 24. Susan Keen volunteered to attend the conference. Lance Inman suggested she submit the registration form to him and he would give it to the appropriate person for payment and mailing.

6. CHAIR REPORT ~ Chair Prothero reported that a gentleman in Portland who had a stroke 10 years ago has spent his life since the stroke driving around Portland *in a golf cart* picking up garbage. The article pointed out that, since the State golf cart legislation was passed, he is now prohibited from this activity.

7. STAFF LIAISON REPORT

- *North River Road Speed Limit Change* - Rob Kissler reviewed the history of the request for lowering the speed limit from 45 mph to 40 mph on North River Road from Lockhaven to the north city limits. He explained that the City challenged the original denial from ODOT because of increased development resulting in more accesses and the city has been authorized to lower the speed limit as requested. Council will take final action on July 6.
- *Public Works Overlay Project* ~ Mr. Kissler reported that Public Works does an overlay project throughout the city on an annual basis. He explained that when they do a project with no shoulders on the road, bicycle paths are added. This year's project is Dearborn west of River Road to Delight and it is scheduled for completion by September, 2004. Additionally, a Pedestrian Bicycle Grant application has been submitted for separated bike paths and sidewalks connecting River Road and Dearborn NE.
- *Public Works Open House* ~ Mr. Kissler invited Traffic Commissioners to the Public Works Open House scheduled for July 29 at 5:30 in Council Chambers. It will include discussion on proposed improvements for Chemawa Road. He explained the project and fielded questions from Commissioners.
- *Pedestrian Timers on River Road* ~ Director Rob Kissler reported that that the Urban Renewal Agency Budget has a placeholder for pedestrian timers on River Road and explained how these function.

- *Keizer Station* ~ Mr. Kissler explained in detail the road system, pedestrian walkways and bicycle lanes at the development and invited Commissioners to view any documents of interest located in the building. He added that at the next meeting he would bring some site plans for Commissioners to view.

8. POLICE LIAISON REPORT

- *Report on Traffic Counter Data* ~ Sgt. Inman showed one of the new traffic counters and mentioned that the other one had malfunctioned so has been returned. He also showed a sample report from the data collection adding that speeds were shown in kilometers per hour. The equipment has been used in various locations throughout the city and been very effective in addressing speed complaints.
- *24-Hour School Zone 20 mph Law* ~ Officer Inman reported that effective July 1st all posted school zones on roads designated 30 mph and under will be 20 mph 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Streets with speed limits of over 30 mph will not be impacted. He added that several organizations are working on having this law repealed.

9. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT ~ Councilor Taylor was absent.

10. ADJOURNMENT ~ Randy Jackson and Gerald Watson left at 8:00pm leaving the commission without a quorum so the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting ~ August 26, 2004, 6:00 pm.