



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

**Thursday, May 30, 2013 @ 6:00 p.m.
Keizer City Hall**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Blair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Present:

Keith Blair, Chair
Ed Thompson, Vice Chair
Jeremy Jensen
David Dempster
Dennis Dunning (6:02)
Curt McCormack

Absent:

Atran Libokmeto
Shelly Campbell
Eamon Bishop

Rod Conway, Keizer Fire Liaison
Marion County Fire Liaison

Staff/Liaisons Present:

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder
Bill Lawyer, Public Works Director
Trevor Wenning, Police Department
Jim Taylor, Council Liaison

APPROVAL OF MINUTES ~ Curt McCormack moved to approve the April 2013 Minutes. David Dempster seconded. Motion passed as follows: McCormack and Dempster in favor, with Blair, Thompson, and Jensen abstaining, Libokmeto, Campbell and Bishop absent and Dunning absent at time of vote.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS ~ None

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Bike Rodeo @ Iris Festival Report: Curt McCormack reported that the rodeo site was moved from behind the Circuit City building to Skyline Ford. The change was not published and the weather was bad, so there was little participation. He suggested that perhaps the committee could set it up again for the Public Works Fair.

David Dempster added that he attended the Fire District Open House and was busy from 5:30 to 9 fitting helmets. 25 helmets were sold. He also gave away bike maps, motorcycle maps and coloring books. Remaining materials and helmets are being stored in the pump house. Helmet inventory is: 11 XL, 27 Large, 18 Medium, 30 Small, and 4 Toddler. \$10 was collected for helmets at the Iris Festival, \$120 at the Safety Fair and \$15 at the Centennial School. Mr. Dempster deposited \$145 into the account making the balance \$1,828.

Keith Blair added that Nicole Christensen with ODOT has offered additional helmets if needed.

Commissioner Input: Mr. Dempster noted that some California cities use a springy sign mounted in the middle of crosswalks that says “Stop for Pedestrians” to make drivers aware of pedestrian traffic. He suggested that perhaps the City could use a similar device on River Road near Plymouth. He added that he knew a warrant study was done and it showed there was no need, but that was several years ago. Mr. Lawyer indicated that he would find the results of the Warrant Study for review at the June meeting.

Sgt. Wenning pointed out that Captain Kuhns would like to install something like the warning system on Lancaster in Salem in this area and possibly at Cherry and Clearview. He noted that there have been accidents but no pedestrians hurt or killed.

Staff Report: Mr. Lawyer provided an update on Chemawa Road construction noting that PGE, Northwest Natural, Qwest and the contractor are all working at the same time. He added that bids for the resurfacing project came in under budget so he is hoping to extend the River Road paving. Also the Police Department has a proposal for a new speed sign which shows travel speed of vehicles and flashes when a vehicle is speeding. They are solar powered and will be put on Verda Lane for northbound traffic north of the Parkway and on Lockhaven east of Whiteaker for westbound traffic.

Police Liaison Report: Sgt. Wenning reported that the Seatbelt Campaign started last Sunday and goes through this Sunday. This campaign will use 47 hours of overtime with an additional 15 hours going to a child safety seat clinic. Staff is focusing on seatbelts, cell phones and minors in pick up beds. 72 hours of available funds for DUI and High Visibility Enforcement funds are going to be lost, but the Department will probably reapply for the funds.

Council Liaison Report: Councilor Taylor reported that the budget process has been completed and that Council is one councilor short. Interviews for prospective replacements will be held on June 10.

Other Business: Chair Blair noted that Eamon Bishop had suggested that the committee give a token of appreciation to Officer LeDay for his service to the committee. Mr. Blair indicated that he would bring a thank you card to the next meeting and a collection could be taken for a gift card at that time.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ June 27, 2013, 6 p.m., Civic Center

Minutes Approved: 6-27-13