

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION
March 16, 2016

COMMISSION PRESENT: Frank Pyles, Chuck Covert, Mike Kilkenny, Donna Lawrence and Fred Davis

ABSENT MEMBERS: Jim Bishop and vacant position

STAFF PRESENT: Dale McCabe – City Engineer, – Jay Waterbury - Police Chief, Bill Barrier – Transportation Manager and Cindy Keever – Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC PRESENT: Camille Terry – The Dalles Area Chamber, Tim McGlothlin – Lion's Club, Matthew Klebes – Main Street

Mike Kilkenny made a motion to approve the February minutes. Chuck Covert seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

See new business.

OLD BUSINESS:

A) Yellow Curb on East Side of 10th at Snipes Street Intersection

Bill Barrier reported the curb has been painted.

B) Installation of School Zone Signs on Thompson and 12th Streets

The City is still awaiting the school's purchase and delivery of the signs. The City will install once they are received.

C) Painted Curb @ NE Corner of 14th & Jefferson

Bill reported this area has been painted yellow.

D) Painted Curb Yellow on 19th near Celilo Center Driveway (MCMC) SW Side

Bill reported the painting has been done at this location.

E) Status of Parking Stall Painting & Installation of Signs on Washington

Bill reported the painting of the lines across the back of the parking stalls has been completed, sign stubs have been installed and they are waiting for the delivery of signs explaining vehicles must fit inside the parking lines. Once the signs have been installed, the Police Department will be notified and tickets will be written to violators.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Safety Concerns of Pedestrians during the Downtown Trick or Treat Event

Donna Lawrence invited guests to discuss some of the Traffic Safety Commission members concerns regarding the Halloween activities in the downtown area of The Dalles. A discussion was held regarding ways to improve the existing event, how to make it safer for everyone involved, moving the event to another location and getting more input from the downtown businesses. Camille Terry will work with the Chamber and come up with 3 different plans for improving the event. She will then present the ideas back to this committee and to the City Council.

2) Tim McGlothlin started a discussion regarding the condition of the street on West 6th Street near Momma Jane's Pancake House. No action taken.

3) A question was asked if the proposed traffic light at the intersection of Mt. Hood and W 2nd is still on the table? City staff said yes it is still being considered.

4) Miscellaneous

Bill Barrier updated the Commission regarding the traffic lights on in the downtown corridor. He said ODOT has ordered parts and will be installing a new controller that the Bend office will be able to monitor from anywhere they need to. ODOT plans to be completed by April 1st.

Dale McCabe reported Crestline Construction is currently working on the 3rd block of the Thompson Street Storm Project. Project has been slower than anticipated because of rock that was encounter, but progress is still being made. Frank Pyles noted there were more potholes along the south shoulder of the road on Old Dufur Road due to drivers making u turns and driving west after reading the road closed or detour signs on Thompson Street. The City will look at the area and have the potholes filled.

Russ Brown reported in the area of 5th & Washington there was a group of people standing in the road one Sunday as he was driving thru the area. City staff thought they knew who the group is and will make contact with them and let them know they need to stay out of the street. There being no further business to come before the Commission, Donna moved to adjourn. Mike seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Fred Davis asked if West 6th Street near Home Depot could be put on the grinding list for repairs.

Tim thanked the Public Works crew for the repair of the street near the intersection of 14th and Trevitt Streets.

Cindy Keever
Administrative Secretary
City of The Dalles

Final approval


Frank Pyles