

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION
June 17, 2015

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

ABSENT MEMBERS: Jim Bishop

STAFF PRESENT: Dale McCabe – City Engineer, Jay Waterbury – Police
Chief, Russ Brown – Council Representative and Cindy
Keever – Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC PRESENT: Clay Smith and Phil Foote

Minutes from the May meeting were not available. Approval of May minutes to occur at the July meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS:

Phil Foote brought two concerns to the Commission.

1) The vehicles heading west on Scenic Drive near the intersection of Jefferson seem to be exceeding the 25 mph speed limit and the visibility is limited for drivers who are on Jefferson looking east on Scenic Drive. Even if the driver on Jefferson checks to make sure there are no cars coming before entering onto Scenic Drive, if anyone is exceeding the speed limit they can quickly come upon the traffic that has just entered from Jefferson Street. Mr. Foote would like additional signage be installed on Scenic Drive warning drivers of a dangerous intersection ahead and possibly a 25 mph sign to remind drivers of the speed limit.

Action Suggested – Chief Waterbury suggested doing a speed study and finding out how fast traffic is actually traveling in the area. Donna Lawrence agreed the speed study was a good idea and suggested TSC members borrow the radar gun from the Police Department and check on the speeds the vehicles are traveling.

2) A vehicle is parking near the driveway of 526 E Scenic Drive and when a driver is turning left onto Scenic Drive from Jefferson it is difficult for the driver to safely navigate into the eastbound lane because of the location of the parked vehicle.

Action Suggested – Fred Davis suggested yellowing out two parking spaces at the SW corner of Jefferson and Scenic Drive. Further investigation should follow.

Clay Smith asked if it was possible for a green bike lane stripe to be painted on 2nd Street between Cherry Heights and Mt. Hood. Dale suggested letting the Transportation System Plan Update work thru the process to address those types of concerns and issues.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1) Election of Officers

Due to the resignation of John Nelson (who was the reigning Chairman) a new election was held for the Chairman and Vice Chairman position.

A discussion was held regarding the responsibilities and position requirements. Mike Kilkenny made a motion to nominate and approve the election of Frank Pyles as the new Chairman. Fred Davis seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Mike Kilkenny made a motion to nominate and approve the election of Donna Lawrence as the new Vice Chairman. Chuck Covert seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Chuck moved to adjourn. Mike seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Cindy Keever
Administrative Secretary
City of The Dalles

Final approval

Frank Pyles