

SUBJECT TO COMMISSION  
APPROVAL AT THE  
NEXT REGULAR MEETING

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION  
February 20, 2013

COMMISSION PRESENT: John Nelson, Frank Pyles, Chuck Covert, Mike Kilkenny,  
John Layson and Jim Bishop

ABSENT MEMBERS: Jamie Van Den Bosch

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

PUBLIC PRESENT: Anne Evans and Erika Wilson

Chuck Covert moved to approve the minutes of the January meeting. Frank Pyles seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS:**

Anne Evans, Principal of Chenowith Elementary School and Erika Wilson, a Chenowith Elementary School concerned parent, spoke to the group regarding their concerns about the lack of crosswalks in the area. Erika had spoken to Public Works staff about her concerns prior to the February meeting. In 2010 the City and County had put together a 1.1 million dollar grant application. Project was described as installing crosswalks around Chenowith Elementary School, the Wahtonka campus, Murray's Addition and the Foley Lakes area. Project was to include education of the children who are walking along the road ways and re-education of drivers who are not yielding to pedestrians. Project was to include safety measures with the input of local homeowners, the school district and citizen's community wide. The grant was awarded to another community and grants that were available in 2010 are no longer available to the City.

Bill Barrier said he has spoken to Dennis Whitehouse regarding MUTCD rules and investigating grants that may be available to schools for improved walking conditions. Brian Goodwin is the dedicated grant writer for District #21.

Dale McCabe said he had talked to Marty Matherly, Wasco County Public Works and asked if they could paint the crosswalks at 10<sup>th</sup> & Chenowith Loop and at 10<sup>th</sup> and Hostetler. Marty said the County is planning to paint the crosswalks as soon the weather gets warmer. Bill will call and see if he can't get a more precise time frame.

John Layson suggested contacting MCMC to see if there are any monies available thru their foundation. Cindy Keever will check if any grants are available thru ACTS Oregon.

Dale let Anne and Erika know they are invited to attend City Council meetings to inform the Council there are issues and solutions needed for the students and walking public in that area.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1) West 2<sup>nd</sup> & Cherry Heights Additional Signage near I84 Off Ramp**

Bill said the new signs on West 2<sup>nd</sup> seem to working well as he has noticed a marked improvement.

**2) Sun Ridge Subdivision Signage**

The Transportation Division crew held a discussion regarding what the signs should say showing exit routes out of the subdivision. Signs will be placed at Quinton and Oakwood Drive which says "City Center" with directional arrows.

**3) Caution Needed While Driving near High School**

During a short discussion it was noted this area will likely continue to have ongoing problems due to the nature of the many students walking and the area being along a very busy street. Continued caution is advised.

**4) Mobil Food Cart Parking Issues on Trevitt between 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Streets**

The lack of restrooms and the parking between 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> on Trevitt are ongoing. The Planning Department is working on the issues. Currently the mobile food cart is using St. Vincent De Paul's restroom facilities. Customers of the food cart will need to comply with the parking restrictions or they will need to move to another location. Tim also noted the mobile food cart on Chenowith Loop Road is working with the neighboring automotive business and they have voluntarily offered to keep one space open to help with the site visibility issues when traffic is pulling out onto Chenowith Loop Road.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1) Crosswalks Requested and Walking Rout Suggestions near Chenowith Elementary School**

See Public Comment

**2) Radar Trailer Request**

Tim McGlothlin requested the speed radar trailer to be placed at 10<sup>th</sup> & Cherry Heights and around the hospital. Jay Waterbury will work with requesting parties regarding hours and length of time.

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

Cindy Keever  
Administrative Secretary  
City of The Dalles