SUBJECT TO COMMISSION APPROVAL AT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

July 17, 2013

COMMISSION PRESENT:

John Nelson, Frank Pyles, Chuck Covert, Jim Bishop and

Mike Kilkenny

ABSENT MEMBERS:

John Layson and vacant position

STAFF PRESENT:

Dale McCabe – City Engineer, Bill Barrier – Transportation

Manager, Tim McGlothlin - City Council Representative,

Jay Waterbury - Police Chief and Cindy Keever -

Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC PRESENT:

Clay Smith and Ethan Wray

John Nelson asked to have a word corrected under New Business, #6 Miscellaneous Information. In the first sentence of the first paragraph, the word *grand* should be changed to read *grant*. Chuck Covert moved to approve the amended minutes. Jim Bishop seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION/PRESENTATIONS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

1) 12th & Kelly Congestion

Dale McCabe met with property owners yesterday and told the commission that the contract will go out in mid-August. The City will wait until the area is done, then see how it functions before the suggested "congestion" signs are installed.

2) Safe Passages for Bicycles

Tim McGlothlin said he has scheduled a meeting between the community biking association, the Mayor, Dan Spatz, and City of The Dalles staff. Purpose of the meeting is for an open dialog between the panel and receiving feedback from the community via the panel. Meeting will be held at the Wahtonka campus, in the library, on Monday, August 12th from 6:00p to 8:00p. The meeting is schedule for two hours and there will be no audience participation at this time.

3) Parking Problems at Webber and Bargeway Road Intersection

Bill Barrier told the commission the bike symbol by the gymnastics studio will receive an additional symbol and additional yellow paint along the curbs, along with better signs. These improvements will help with enforcement in the area.

4) Visibility Problems on Court Street between 4th & 5th Street

Tim asked about the parking issues on Court Street between 4th and 5th. Tim said the cross traffic on 4th or 5th have trouble seeing the Court Street traffic because the diagonal parking creates site issues. Chief Waterbury said the accidents in the area don't warrant a 4 way stop at either 4th or 5th Street, and the hill on the south side of 5th would make it dangerous to stop in the winter. Bill recommends taking a look at the intersection to take out 3 parking spaces.

NEW BUSINESS:

1) West 6th Street & Division Visibility Issues

Dale brought forth a concern regarding the W 6th and Division intersection. A discussion followed regarding a possible blind spot on W 6th when looking east and trying to make a left hand turn from Division Street. A suggestion was made to do a speed study of the area and bring the data collected to the August meeting. If members could familiarize themselves with the intersection before the August meeting that would be helpful.

2) Potholes on Thompson Street

Chuck mentioned the potholes seem to be getting worse on Thompson between 12th and the top of the hill. No action needed at this time.

3) Chenowith Overpass Visibility Issues

Guest, Clay Smith, mentioned the ODOT intersection at the Chenowith overpass has some visibility issues because of the fish screen.. No action needed at this time.

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

Cindy Keever Administrative Secretary City of The Dalles

Final approval

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