



KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY, BIKEWAYS & PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, January 20, 2022
Keizer City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Chair DeBlasi called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Attendance follows:

Present:

Michael DeBlasi, Chair
David Dempster
Hersch Sangster
Jamie Davis

Absent:

Steven Wolf
Rick Kuehn
One Position Vacant
Councilor Smith

Council Liaison/Staff Present:

David LeDay, Police
Mike Griffin, Streets & Stormwater
Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder

ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR: Chair DeBlasi nominated Jamie Davis to serve as Chair, David Dempster nominated Mike DeBlasi to serve as Vice Chair. With no further nominations, nominations were closed and Davis and DeBlasi were elected to serve as Chair and Vice Chair respectively by unanimous consent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: David Dempster moved for approval of the November 2021 Minutes. Hersch Sangster seconded. Motion passed as follows: DeBlasi, Dempster, Sangster and Davis in favor with Wolf and Kuehn absent and one position vacant.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS:

Rhonda Rich, representing the West Keizer Neighborhood Association, distributed a handout listing concerns expressed at the last WKNA meeting regarding speeding traffic, rolling stops and failure to stop for pedestrians in the neighborhood. She noted that Chief Teague will be addressing the Association in February and asked the Committee to focus on particular areas to remedy problems.

Katie Stokes asked that No Parking signs be put up on the curve where Windsor Island Road comes into Willow Lake because drivers cannot see past the cars when entering the street. Streets & Stormwater Director, Mike Griffin made note of the area and indicated that he would evaluate it.

SKATS PROJECT SOLICITATION: Jamie Davis reported that she had not talked to the mayor and that the committee would have only one meeting to get the grant request together because it closes March 1. She suggested she work with Mike DeBlasi to get something put together to present to Council. Committee then discussed grant opportunities, safe routes to school/parks funding, education/planning grants and getting approval from school principals.

TSP GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES DISCUSSION: Committee discussed various goals and objectives of the Transportation System Plan with Mike Griffin fielding questions and providing clarification. Discussion took place regarding review of accident locations, development of an annual improvement/accomplishment list, bicycle safety devices, bike lanes, minimum state standards, on-street bike parking and no parking sections on streets.

STREET PAINTING: Corrie Falardeau, Executive Director of the Keizer Chamber had been invited to the meeting to discuss this, but was not in attendance. Subject moved to February agenda.

SPEED DATA: Chair DeBlasi referred to several speed surveys he had received from Officer LeDay. Staff volunteered to scan the document and email it to committee members for review at the next meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Hersch Sangster reported that the Planning Commission has been busy working on the Code Audit resulting from House Bill 2001.

COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT:

Jamie Davis reported that she had been monitoring the Next Door app and gone to the WKNA meeting and testimony in both places focused on making Keizer streets safer. She would like the committee to focus on this as well as the area around Cummings Lane and sidewalk connectivity particularly on Windsor Island Road.

Mike DeBlasi urged that Keizer become a 'Tree City', noting that the City Manager would need to work on this. He stressed the importance of making streets safer and suggested something be done to slow traffic on Lockhaven such as murals on walls.

David Dempster pointed out that just about every resident of Keizer owns at least one car and those drivers would like to speed up their trip, not make it longer by being forced to go slower. He urged the committee to consider that they are representing those people as well and that there are more drivers than cyclists and pedestrians.

Hersch Sangster commended the City and the consultant that worked on the Wheatland Multi-Modal Study. He suggested that a Bike Fair be planned for May 14.

STAFF REPORT: Mike Griffin reported that 32 ADA ramp upgrades are out to bid and a list of streets to resurface this summer has been put together. AKS is preparing to get that out to bid in February.

POLICE REPORT: Sgt. LeDay reported on the successful Holiday of Lights parade.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: Councilor Smith absent. No report.

OTHER BUSINESS

Planning Commission/Council Report: Jamie Davis will report to Council on February 7 and monitor the February 9 Planning Commission meeting.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ February 17, 2022, 6 p.m.

Minutes Approved: 02-17-22