



KEIZER TRAFFIC SAFETY, BIKEWAYS & PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, March 12, 2020
Keizer City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Fisher called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Roll call follows:

Present:

Pat Fisher, Vice Chair
Steven Wolf
Wayne Frey
Jamie Davis
David Dempster

Absent:

Michael DeBlasi, Chair
Hersch Sangster

Staff & Liaison Present:

Debbie Lockhart, Deputy City Recorder
David LeDay, Police Department
Mike Griffin, Streets Division Manager
Councilor Dan Kohler

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Hersch Sangster moved to approve the January 2020 Minutes. Steven Wolf seconded. Motion passed as follows: Wolf, Dempster, Davis and Frey in favor with Fisher abstaining and DeBlasi and Sangster absent.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS: None

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Sidewalk Budget Request: David Dempster reported that the Long Range Planning Task Force meeting was not the appropriate place to make the request, but that he had been instructed to present a proposal to Council with a specific prioritized list of sidewalks that the committee has determined need to be improved or completed. He suggested that the committee come up with a list of 5 streets that need sidewalks to present to Council and continue on from there to develop a list that might be addressed over a period of years. He noted that the request does not need to be for a 'sidewalk' but could be for a 'dedicated walkway' which would give pedestrians a place to walk without the added expense involved with the curb and gutter that goes with a sidewalk. He also reported that the committee informed him that all of the street budget for 20-21 fiscal year was already set aside for completing the paving of River Road.

Discussion followed on how to develop the list with members agreeing to review areas and submit suggestions to staff to tabulate for the next meeting. The table would include the street name, length of improvement, one side or both sides, sidewalk or paved shoulder and compelling reason for the need.

PROJECT REPORTS:

Pat Fisher - Parkway Path Signage: ODOT has been reorganizing but they have not forgotten this project. Pat is still in contact with them. Public Outreach/Trash Receptacles: No report.

Steven Wolf – City-wide Missing Link/Neighborhood Connectivity project. The 2009 Transportation System Plan has identified 12 specific sidewalks and none have been done. He will look into these further for the committee sidewalk project.

Michael DeBlasi – NACTO Discussion & Street Trees (Salem Program): No report.

Hersch Sangster – McNary Upgrade Status/Additional Bike Repair Station: No report.

Wayne Frey – ODOT Community Path Program: No report.

Jamie Davis – Safe Routes to School Grant: Needs top 5 areas in need of improvement by June. Would like to work on this at the April and May meetings. Has found three different grant websites (Salem Foundation, Community Fund, and Charitable Contribution CTSI) and the deadlines for filing are June 30. She plans on participating in the Safe Routes to School webinar on May 4.

COMMITTEE MEMBER INPUT:

Jamie Davis reported that House Bill 4103 just passed the House and is going into the Senate. This bill gives cities the authority to reduce speed limits by 5 miles per hour. She will continue monitoring the bill and keep the committee posted.

Pat Fisher reminded everyone of the Monster Cookie ride in April.

David Dempster reported that he had parked on Mandrin to monitor traffic and speeders and in 20 minutes he saw two cars; neither were speeding. He assumed that the heavy speeding traffic was during commute hours.

Wayne Frey praised Marion County or ODOT for their good resurfacing job to the north outside Keizer city limits. Pat Fisher suggested that the committee send a thankyou letter for the roadways being paved instead of chip sealed.

STAFF REPORT: Mike Griffin reported that:

- Gelco was the low bidder for the Delight Street project and would start work on April 6.
- River Road ADA ramps and curbs done last summer will be done to the north on River Road this summer.
- A storm line on Shoreline will be rerouted from under a house to an existing outfall
- No Parking signs were installed on the north side of Wheatland last week, as requested by the committee.

POLICE LIAISON REPORT: Officer LeDay reported that there had been some patrolling done in West Keizer in the area where excessive speeding was complained of. He noted that out of 13 citations issued all but 2 were west Keizer residents. He suggested that perhaps neighbors should talk to each other since they are the offenders.

He also shared staffing changes in the department noting that one officer is slated to go to school. If he passes he will join the traffic unit as soon as Patrol is filled. One graduates tomorrow and one more is in the academy. Those three will then be in training which takes about 4 months. The time frame is 10 months from hire date to on the road.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT: Councilor Kohler reported that the manhole covers that are sinking on River road will be adjusted this summer. He noted the Planning Commission names on the website are not up to date.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meeting ~ April 2, 2020, 6 p.m.

Minutes Approved: 06-11-20