

MINUTES
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Council Chamber, 898 Elk Drive
February 6, 2008

ROLL CALL

Don Tilton, Jim Watson, Roy Steward

Staff Present: John Cowan, Director of Public Works, Lauri Ziemer, Public Works

Meeting called to order at 9:32 am

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the November 28th meeting were submitted, a motion was made to approve the minutes and by a voice vote, they were approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Curb on Fern Avenue, east side of Macklyn House sticks out onto Fern Avenue and makes a hazard for the school buses and traffic. John Cowan advised that Public Works will be removing the last 8 feet of curb and replacing with asphalt and painting yellow within the next month.
- B. Railroad and Tanbark -- Concerning the oversized vehicles obstructing vision at the corner of Railroad and Tanbark, John Cowan advised that it is not a Traffic Safety issue, the building is now vacant and no large vehicles are parking in spaces. Upon inspection traffic was clearly visible in both directions at intersection.
- C. Oak Street Parking – Concerning the large work vehicles parked on Oak in front of Brookside Nursery. John Cowan spoke with owner Keith Smith and he is now parking vehicles elsewhere.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Training for crossing guards at schools – Roy Steward is researching to find training material to properly train the school crossing guards to avoid future accidents. Guards have been told to hold kids longer at crosswalks and cross in bigger groups.
- B. Right Turns Only – school interested in the possibility of creating a right turn only policy around the schools area during the morning and afternoon peak traffic times to avoid traffic backups. The effectiveness of signage questioned, if possible to educate parents/public to only make right turns may solve some of the problem.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 am. Next meeting scheduled for March 12th at 9:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,



Don Tilton, Chair

(approved at April 9, 2008 meeting)