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PLACE : Portage Inn \*  
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City of The Dalles Traffic Safety Commission Meeting

OF

December 15th, 1982

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M I N U T E S

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COMMISSION PRESENT : Mike Courtney, Jack Rinehart,  
Maury Snow, Don Hall and Cecelia Cushing.

COMMISSION ABSENT : Harvey Prouty and Chris Zukin.

OTHERS PRESENT : Kathy Hunter, Administrative Assistant,  
Kurt Corey, Assistant City Engineer,  
Paul Nagy, Chief of Police and  
Mayor John Lundell.

Chairman Courtney called the meeting to order at 7:09 A.M.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Snow moved, Rinehart seconded, to approve the November 17th, 1982 minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously.

COMPLAINT OF SPEEDING TRAFFIC IN 1300 BLOCK OF E. 10TH STREET

Hunter explained that Ryan Rooper, 1313 E. 10th Street, complained of speeders on this street and wondered what could be done. Possibly a four-way stop could be installed to slow traffic. Rooper was not present at this time.

Hunter explained that the traffic signing project currently under way might help some. 10th Street was to be posted for 25 mph speed zones in addition to all school districts being posted for 20 mph speed zones. Hopefully this would serve as a reminder to motorists to watch their speed. A four-way stop was discussed, however it did not appear that any of the cross streets were major routes suitable for this type of signage. The Commission requested that a letter be sent to Mr. Rooper explaining the sign work to be done. No action was taken on this item. (Rooper appeared at the end of the meeting and this discussion was explained to him. Rooper suggested the Commission look at the cross traffic from "I" Street. This was the route which traffic following 4th Street Grade used to access 10th Street.)

DISCUSSION OF DRUNKEN DRIVERS

Rinehart called attention to the OTSC Newsletter that had been attached to their agenda packets. There were articles concerning Drunk Driver Awareness Week and Traffic Safety programs to adopt tougher drunk driver laws. Rinehart complained that federal government begins such programs as an "incentive" then cuts funds later. Local governments then are expected to find the funds necessary to support such programs.

Discussion/ Drunken Drivers - (Cont'd)

Chief Nagy explained that the City Police had such a program and that it was working well. There were a large number of drunk drivers on City streets. The City entered the program knowing the Federal funds would be available for a limited time. It was then up to the City Council and voters to decide if the program was worthwhile to fund.

DISCUSSION OF COMMISSION DUTIES

Mayor Lundell explained that he was attending various City Commission meetings this month to evaluate the work and continued need for each Commission. He believed it important to make this evaluation now as the City Council was trying to find areas for budget cuts and reduced staff time. He asked for comments from the members. Courtney said he believed the Commission was a good sounding board for citizens. Cushing believed the Commission offered a forum for citizens to review problems of general concern.

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With no further business pending, Chairman Courtney adjourned the meeting at 8:00 A.M.

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23 December 1982

Mr. Mike Courtney, Chairman  
Traffic ~~Committee~~ Safety Commission  
City of The Dalles

Dear Mike:

I have been employed at a local church since February of 1981, and during this time I have observed many interesting occurrences at the intersection of Union and 10th Streets. I am seriously concerned about the safety of motorists as well as pedestrians....especially very young children.

Every day, I observe motorists travelling down Union Street at dangerous speeds while others driving east or west on 10th Street try to sneak across the intersection without enough caution.....many times to the tune of screeching tires and occasionally to the sound of breaking glass. But what concerns me most are the small children trying to cross Union Street during noon rush hour. I have spoken to several residents in the immediate area, and all are in agreement that a 4-way stop is long overdue. I have also heard many counter-arguments saying that the incline is too steep, especially under icy conditions, etc. May I point out that the incline at 14th & Trevitt Streets by Colonel Wright School is just as steep, but because of the proximity of the elementary school, a 4-way stop is there, and IT WORKS!!

Therefore, on behalf of the residents and other concerned citizens, I respectfully request that a 4-way stop be implemented at this crossroads at the earliest possible convenience. If you have any questions, or wish to discuss this matter, please do not hesitate to call.

Yours Sincerely,

*Harriett B. Lewis*

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City of The Dalles  
Traffic Safety Commission  
ATTENDANCE SUMMARY - 1982

DATE OF MEETING

REMARKS

January 20, 1982		CANCELLED	DUE TO LACK OF BUSINESS					1)Maurey Snow
February 17, 1982	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	Replaced Bill
March, 1982		CANCELLED	...					Hawksley.
April 15, 1982		CANCELLED	...					
May 19, 1982	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	2)Position
June 16, 1982	X	X	A <sup>1</sup>	X	X	A	2	Vacant, i.e.
July 21, 1982	X	X	X	X	X	X	2	Tim Planz
August 18, 1982	X	X	X	X	A	X	X <sup>3</sup>	Resignation.
September 15, 1982		CANCELLED	...					
October 20, 1982	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	3)Chris Zukin
November 17, 1982	X	A	X	X	X	X	A	Filled Vacancy
December 15, 1982	X	X	X	X	X	A	A	

MEMBERS

Mike Courtney  
 Don Hall  
 Maurey Snow  
 Cecelia Cushing  
 Jack Rinehart  
 Harvey Prouty  
 Chris Zukin

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