MINUTES

REGULAR TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETNG June 16, 2021 7:00 a.m.

VIA ZOOM

PRESIDING:

Frank Pyles, Chair

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Frank Pyles, Fred Davis, Mike Kilkenny, Michael Holloran, Larry Fairclo and

Russ Brown

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sandy Haechrel

STAFF PRESENT:

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary; David Mills, Transportation Division Manager, Dale McCabe, City Engineer and Jeremy Dutton, The

Dalles Police Department

GUESTS PRESENT:

Dan Richardson, City Council Representative

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pyles at 7:01 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Kilkenny and seconded by Brown to approve the June agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Council person Richardson talked about the continuing speed concerns on Columbia View Drive. Brown explained he took the radar gun up there and recorded the speeds for approximately 90 minutes in the morning and he did observe a couple of vehicles doing 39 mph. Dutton said he would try and get up to that area more often to see if speeds will be reduced.

A discussion was held to lower the speeds down from 35 mph to 25 mph and having more police presence. Pyles made a motion to recommend reducing the speed limit on Columbia View Heights Road between Highway 197 and E. Knoll Drive from 35 mph to 25 mph. Fairclo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion regarding the cost of lighted speed signs and if tickets can be given from the radar feedback signs. Transportation budget was discussed and where funds might be available.

Davis suggested possibly forming a sub-committee for looking at issues like this and then uniform plans can

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be suggested. Possibly work with long term planning projects too. No action at this time. McCabe said additional possibilities for reduction of traffic speeds could be bike lane stripping and more signage. He also suggested looking up data on 14th Street and Dry Hollow Road to see how effective the signage up there has been.

TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT

- A) Last week the division completed two scrub seal projects. The first was on E. Scenic Drive from Jefferson Street to the Sorosis Park exit and the second was on Bridge Street from W. 10th Street to 14th Street.
- B) Mills reported June 16th was the last day of the chip seal project. They will follow up with a fog seal on the same roads on July 12th and 13th.
- C) Quinton Street (water main break area) should be open for traffic tomorrow afternoon. It will remain gravel for several weeks while it dries out. Possibly longer if the Wastewater Collection crew completes a storm line upgrade.

CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Nothing at this time.

CITY CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

None.

CITY ENGINEER REPORT

- A) City Engineer McCabe said the ADA Concrete Contract is underway. Contractor will be moving to 11th Street and Mt. Hood Street and on Union Street between 7th Street, 8th Street and 9th Street.
- B) McCabe also told the members the E. 15th Street Reconstruction paving contract has started.
- C) The West Side Sewer Interceptor Project has started and one lane on West 1st Street is scheduled to be closed July 6th through August 20th.

CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION ITEMS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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- A) Question was asked about traffic running the stop signs at Brett Clodfelter Way, Lone Pine Lane and Highway 197. Is the roundabout still planning on being built? McCabe explained the trigger point for the roundabout project going forward and the housing development at Lone Pine has not reached its trigger point yet.
- B) Kilkenny asked how the boat tour buses will handle the road closure on W. 1st Street. McCabe said there have been discussions and accommodations will be made for the buses.

ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

• Holloran said the traffic was flowing so much better at 6th Street and Webber Road he was wondering if the same thing could be done at 2nd Street and Webber Road. Traffic is now being affected at 6th Street and Cherry Heights and the Fred Meyers customers and their movements in and out of the parking lot.

ADJOURNMENT

Kilkenny made a motion to adjourn and Fairclo seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:05a.m.

Submitted by/

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary

Public Works Department

SIGNED:

Frank Pyles, Chair

ATTEST:

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary

Public Works Department