## **MINUTES**

# REGULAR TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

April 19, 2022 7:00 a.m.

## VIA ZOOM

PRESIDING:

Frank Pyles, Vice Chairman

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** 

Fred Davis, Russ Brown, Mike Kilkenny, Larry Fairclo and Michael

Holloran

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** 

Sandy Haechrel

STAFF PRESENT:

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary, Dale McCabe - City

Engineer, David Mills – Transportation Manager, Nikki Lesich – Codes Enforcement, Jamie Carrico – City Police Representative and

Darcy Long-Curtis – City Council Representative

**GUESTS PRESENT:** 

Greg Weast

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Pyles at 7:02 a.m.

## 2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

## 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

#### 5. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

None.

## 6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Greg Weast spoke about his concern at the intersection of Jefferson and Scenic Drive. He doesn't think there is enough line of sight for the cars that are pulling onto Scenic Drive from Jefferson Street (also called Terrace Drive). He believes it's dangerous and would like to have a stop sign installed on Scenic Drive on

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the east side of the intersection. Fairclo suggested two stop signs on Scenic Drive and eliminating the stop sign on Jefferson Street because of the steep grade. He suggested a stop sign on each side of the Jefferson Street intersection. City staff to re-measure the clear vision triangle at that location and will provide more information at the May meeting.

## 7. STAFF REPORTS

# A. TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT

- 1. The Transportation Division will be conducting asphalt maintenance on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in the downtown area starting in May and continuing for several weeks to repair wheel ruts in both lanes of travel between Taylor Street and Lincoln Street.
- 2. The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Community Clean Up is scheduled to occur the first Saturday in May. The City Public Works Department and The Dalles Disposal work together to make this a very successful event.

## **B. CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

- 1. Officer Carrico reported the department is still in the process of hiring more officers which will help solve the problem of the department being shorthanded.
- 2. Last week sixteen warning tickets were written to drivers who park on the curb and/or planting strip on 9th Street between Union Street and Cherry Heights

# C. <u>CITY CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT</u>

- 1. Lesich reported she has been working on multiple clan up efforts and is working with the CAPP office to help find permanent housing for people.
- 2. She has also been posting flyers on vehicles that are parking on the curb to let them know it is illegal and could result in a fine.
- 3. The abandoned cars seem to be high right now so she has scrap collectors busy hauling the abandoned vehicles away.
- 4. She is starting to get busy with weed and vegetation complaints and the motor homes, campers and boats that are beginning to be parked in front of houses.

## D. CITY ENGINEER REPORT

1. McCabe reported the Westside Interceptor Upgrade, Phase I Project on First Street is scheduled to be paved next week and First Street should be open soon.

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- 2. The Asphalt Crack Seal contract is to be awarded by City Council at next week's April 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- 3. The Scenic Drive Stabilization Phase IV contract is set to begin soon.
- 4. Crestline Construction is nearing the end of their work on the Chenowith PUD water line. The road will be closed to through traffic on Hostetler between 7<sup>th</sup> Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street until completion.
- 5. The final walk through for the Whispering Pines subdivision is scheduled soon. Once that is done the road will be open to traffic.

## 8. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the March 2022 minutes were approved 6 to 0. Pyles, Davis, Brown, Kilkenny, Holloran and Fairclo moved to approve. Haechrel absent.

## 9. ACTION ITEMS

None

#### 10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. This item was discussed under Audience Participation section.
- B. City staff McCabe and Mills conducted a sight visibility triangle on Dry Hollow Road at the intersections of 13<sup>th</sup> Street and 13<sup>th</sup> Place. Their recommendation is to yellow out 25 feet of curb on 13<sup>th</sup> Place and 25 feet of curb on 13<sup>th</sup> Street. Both areas are on the west side of Dry Hollow. It was moved by Brown and seconded by Holloran to approve City staff recommendations. Motion carried 5 to 2 with Brown, Holloran, Pyles, Kilkenny and Davis in favor. Fairclo and Haechrel absent.

## 11. ROUNDS TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

# 12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:05 a.m.

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Submitted by/

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary

Public Works Department

SIGNED:

Frank Pyles, Chair

ATTEST:

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary

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