

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES
Monday, September 13, 1993
7:00 pm, Newberg Public Library

PRESENT: Assistant Chairperson Richard Meyers, Earl Sandager,
Russel Pack, Andy Anderson, Richard McCabe, Ray Buckley,
Larry Anderson, Chief Tardiff, D. T. James.

ABSENT: Doris Brandt, Glenn Benedict, Bob Andrews.

GUEST: Helen Liere, Oregon Department of Transportation
Coordinator, Community Traffic Safety (ACTS).

I. Call meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Assistant Chair-
person Richard Meyers.

II. Guest speaker Helen Liere from O.D.O.T. and Alliance for
Community Traffic Safety (ACTS).

Ms. Liere presented information to the group on what traffic
safety grants are available to Oregon communities that have
traffic safety committees, referred to as 1994 Community Small
Projects Program.

Liere explained that the purpose of the program is to provide
seed money to help local traffic safety problems. Refer to 1994
Guideline Proposals. Liere explained that the Alliance for
Traffic Safety in Oregon (ACTS) is a non-profit organization
to combine traffic safety committees in Oregon to have one voice,
voicing their opinion and support for senate bills or legislation
that improve traffic flow or safety items, such as bike helmets,
etc. (Refer to handout). It also provides educational training
to traffic safety committees.

III. Old Business

A) Parking problem
Fulton Street near G.F.C.

This was discussed by committee members. It was agreed to leave
the area as is, but change some yellow stripping where needed
in the area of the driveway of Friendsview Manor to open up the
view for people leaving Friendsview. This was passed and
seconded.

B) Parking problems
Near Current Electronics

Larry Anders reported that Current Electronics has agreed to
eliminate parking on the east side of Elliott near Second Street.
This will open up Elliott for better traffic flow. This will
allow large trucks to make turns from Second Street onto Elliott
Road to get to the refueling station.

C) Truck parking problem

Hancock Street, near Pacific Pride and Williams Business.

This has been discussed a few times during traffic safety meetings and passed on to Community Relations Committee with some solutions. It is agreed upon by committee members that some of the area near Williams Business be painted with yellow paint to keep large trucks away from the Williams driveway so he can have large trucks make deliveries, etc. The area should also have a sign posting "Dead End" or "Not An Outlet." This was moved and seconded by committee members.

IV. New Business

A) Chief Tradiff talked to members regarding a new proposed ordinance establishing the Newberg Traffic Safety Commission (refer to copy of this draft). Tradiff felt this would better define the Committee's role as a Traffic Safety Commission.

B) 1200 East Sheridan

Concern from a resident that it is difficult to get in and out of his driveway due to GFC students parking in the area. This was tabled for the next meeting.

C) Truck parking
Hays Street

This was discussed by Committee members, and it was agreed upon to treat the street the same as Hancock Street between Sitka and Elliott Road. No truck parking on the south side of Hays Street. This was moved and seconded.

D) [1] Traffic problems near Newberg High School
[2] Traffic problems concern near proposed Crater Elementary School

The Newberg High School problems has been discussed in past meetings for a solution. It was felt that a letter of concern should be sent to the school board voicing those concerns from the committee and citizens who have come forward to the Traffic Safety Committee. Along with those concerns it was felt that the same kind of problem could occur at Crater Elementary School as it did at Newberg High school if it is not planned or thought out clearly by school planning officials.

It was felt a letter should be sent to the school board regarding these problems. This was moved and seconded.

E) Petition to have parking strip changed/modified
Front of Cameo Theater

A number of business owners have asked that the parking strip in front of the Cameo Theater be opened up during day time hours. They feel that the parking strip takes up too much space during day time hours, especially when the Cameo Theater is only open between 7:30 pm and 10:30 pm.

Traffic safety members felt first a letter should be sent to the owner of the Cameo Theater explaining the problem. Chief Tardiff said this would need to be changed by ordinance. Held over for next meeting.

F) After Helen Liere from O.D.O.T. had explained the mini-grant program, it was later discussed by traffic safety members which project would be best for the city. After some discussion and input by Chief Tardiff it was felt that a radar reader board was the best item to go after with this grant. This was approved by traffic safety members. The grant will be shown at the next meeting for approval.

V. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by D. T. James