

**TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**7:00 p.m., Monday, August 9, 2004**  
**Public Safety Building**

**PRESENT:** Mike Simpson, Becky Simpson, John Goad, Dick Meyer, Doris Brandt, Everett Clarkson, Ron Sult, Joyce Vergets, Tammeria Wimmer.

**ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Dan Danicic, and Kelly Rea

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:**

Meeting was called to order at 7PM.

- A) Review and approve minutes of May 10, 2004.

**Motion:** Everett/Simpson to approve the minutes presented. Motion carried.

- B) Review and approve minutes of June 14, 2004.

**Motion:** Simpson/Wimmer to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

**2. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR:**

There were no communications from the floor.

**3. OLD BUSINESS:**

- A) Staff report on request to allow parking on the Blaine Street frontage adjacent to the school bus barn.

Dan explained the findings of the traffic study conducted by the Engineering Department.

**Motion:** Simpson/Meyer to accept the proposal of the city staff to reinstate parking in front of bus barn with the exception of the fire hydrant area. Motion carried.

- B) Staff report on request for stop signs at the intersection of East Edgewood and Burlington.

Dan Danicic gave speed study report for this area indicating low traffic volume and few recorded speeders. Public Works has installed a 25 MPH sign. City Staff will study this area again when the 2004/2005 school year begins.

**Motion: Vergets/Wimmer** to accept recommendation not to warrant the installation of stop signs at this time and will be revisited next year. Motion carried.

- C) Staff report on request for stop signs on Chehalem & 6<sup>th</sup>, Willamette & 6<sup>th</sup>, and Columbia & 6<sup>th</sup> streets.

Dan Danicic again gave report. 85% of traffic was recorded at 20-25 mph which is acceptable speed for this area. There was also was not an excessive volume of traffic.

**Motion: Clarkson/Meyer** to accept staff report and deny a request for stop signs at this time.

### 3. NEW BUSINESS:

- A) **Transportation Safety Conference** – **Date: September 22,23,24**  
**Location: Holiday Inn, Wilsonville, OR**

Mike encouraged new members to attend. Tameria Wimmer will be attending. Joyce Vergets may be able to attend. She will get back with Mary with a commitment either way.

- B) **Vacancy on Traffic Safety Commission** – Howard McDonald resigned. Mike Simpson asked commission members to encourage others to apply for this vacancy.

### 5. STAFF REPORTS - GENERAL INFORMATION:

#### A) Police

Sergeant John Goad reported:

- Busy with DUIs lately.
- Dundee community has been very receptive to Newberg Police being in there area. Dundee has officers on duty during the day, with Newberg Police at night. Mike Simpson also commented that he has heard appreciation from Dundee residents of how Newberg Police have handled the situation as well.

#### B) Engineering

Dan Danicic gave report:

- Spring Oaks Update. Mike asked Dan if he could bring existing maps, etc, of this area to display at the next meeting.
- Mountainview LID. Dan discussed how homeowners will be affected and reported that at August 16 City Council Meeting there is a request for staff to proceed with engineering report.
- Mountainview Drive S curve. Preliminary mapping is being done. Met with the Austins and the next step would be finding funding.
- Transportation System Plan is still being worked on. Probably completed in late winter.
- Mike Soderquist is retiring October 1, 2004. The position is being eliminated and will be split between existing departments.

C) Traffic Safety Committee Sub-Committees:

1. Community Relations - None
2. Pedestrian Safety – Crossing 219 by Walgreens.
3. Parking Safety (passenger vehicles & trucks) – Dan reported talking with contractors and getting three quotes.
4. Traffic Control & Obstructions – Left turn lanes at Springbrook and Haworth. Dan will follow up regarding U-turns in this area.

6. **REPORTS:**

A) Report of the City Engineer on

- First and Sunnycrest Road speed signage review - Dan reported that this has not yet been studied in lieu of the other studies happening. Mike Simpson asked that the person doing the study also notice the large amount of signage already in this area.
- Villa and Fulton traffic modifications update – Increased traffic volume at adjacent intersection that North bound Villa could warrant a left turn pocket, however no serious need at this time and there are different options to follow.
- ODOT Hwy 219 Sidewalk/Crosswalk project, near Villa & Everest – Dan has had quite a few discussions with ODOT. City would do the work on this project and approach ODOT for grant. Mike Simpson reiterated that many people from the opposite side need to make this cross and is surprised there has not already been a severe accident at this location. Springbrook and Hayden solution worked well. Other options should be visited if ODOT is dragging on this.

Discussion also ensued with the two lanes going North on Villa from 219. Drivers have an option of going straight or turning in one of the lanes and it is noted that many do not signal when in this lane.

Discussion also followed that there were several pieces of blank paper sent out in the packets and they were one-sided copies. This was viewed as wasteful.

7. **ADJOURN TO NEXT MEETING: September 13, 2004**

*Mary Newell*