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REGULAR TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

April 16, 2025

7:00 a.m.

Via Zoom

PRESIDING: Mike Kilkenny, Chairman

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Michael Holloran, Russ Brown, Frank Pyles, Sandy Haechrel, Jayme Reineccius and Bob Wood

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Randy Cole

STAFF PRESENT: Dale McCabe – Public Works Director, Mike Bosse -City Engineer, Todd Stephens – City Engineer, David Mills – Transportation Manager, Dan Richardson – Council Representative, Kellen Mathisen – City Police Representative, Chris Autry – Codes Enforcement Officer and Cindy Keever - Administrative Secretary

GUESTS PRESENT: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kilkenny at 7:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the April agenda was made by Holloran and seconded by Brown. Motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

6. STAFF REPORTS

A. TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER REPORT

1. The annual Crack Sealing program has started.
2. Paving projects will be starting for the season and here are the projects for May. They are; A) Grinding out and replacing ruts on W 6th between Cherry Heights and Chenoweth Street, B) Grinding out and replacing ruts on W 2nd Street between Auto Zone and Lincoln Island and C) The Transportation team will be conducting a joint paving project with ODOT at the @ 2nd Street on ramp near Webber Street
3. The annual Cherry Festival is fast approaching and will be held April 24th through April 26th this year. East 1st Street from Union to Madison will be closed during the carnival on 1st Street. The parade starts at 10a on Saturday, April 26th and members of the Transportation team will be working during the parade.
4. The annual chip seal project is scheduled for the week of June 16th.

B. CITY POLICE REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Mathison reported the police department is busy training recruits for traffic enforcement.

C. CITY CODES ENFORCEMENT OFFICER REPORT

- 1) Autry reported Spring is here and Codes Enforcement is beginning to receive vegetative complaints.
2. With the start of milder weather traveling merchants have been setting up around town. Autry talks to the merchants and lets them know they can't just set up and sell items without the proper permits.
3. Autry said he had walked W 9th Street between Union Street and Cherry Heights Road, (east bound only) and had placed 15 code violation letters on vehicles parked illegally up on the curb.
4. Sending out letters to property owners whose fences are blocking the site for a clear vision triangle.
5. Autry is working with the Senior Center on W 9th Street, near Jordan Street, to get the vegetation trimmed.

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D. CITY ENGINEERS REPORT

1. Stephens told commission members the project on E 12th Street is almost done with the installation of the storm sewers. In a couple weeks the contractor will begin work on the catch basins and retaining walls.
2. Stephens reported Crestline Construction was the successful bidder for the W 10th Street Safe Routes to School (SRTS) project and also a sanitary sewer project on 9th Street near the Quinton Street intersection.
3. Bosse informed the commission the 6th Street Widening Project, between Pomona Street and Snipes Street is ongoing
4. Bosse said the downtown 1st Street Streetscape final plans are read for review.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Holloran and seconded by Brown to approve the March minutes. Kilkenny, Haechrel, Reineccius and Wood voted in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. A discussion was held with the group regarding problems they think may be happening at the intersection of 12th Street and Dry Hollow Road. Law enforcement and individuals have not noticed a huge problem with drivers not stopping at the 4-way stop intersection. Mathison said he has noticed a high percentage of drivers who are speeding and/or using their cell phones while driving. This behavior accounts for approximately 90% of his stops.

9. TO COLLECT AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:21a.m.

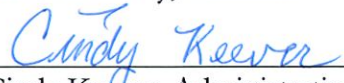
Submitted by/

Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

SIGNED:


Mike Kilkenny, Chairman

ATTEST:


Cindy Keever, Administrative Secretary
Public Works Department

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