

Minutes

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING  
Of  
September 16, 2020  
7:00a

ZOOM MEETING

**COMMISSION PRESENT:** Frank Pyles, Larry Fairclo, Michael Holloran, Mike Kilkenny, and Russ Brown

**ABSENT MEMBERS:** Brent Bybee and Fred Davis

**STAFF PRESENT:** Cindy Kever – Administrative Secretary and Jeff Kienlen – City Police

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Dan Richardson and Ben Wring

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mike Kilkenny made a motion to approve the August minutes. Michael Holloran seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Dan Richardson and Ben Wring joined our Zoom meeting and explained their concerns regarding the speed which traffic travels on Columbia View Heights near E Knoll Drive & Summit Ridge Drive. They asked if there were any traffic calming measures that could be taken to slow traffic thru the residential area. Russ Brown suggested talking to the Police Department and having a policemen stationed up there as much as possible. Possibly talk to the Veteran's Home and have them talk to their employees about speeding thru the neighborhood while going to and leaving work. Are rumble strips a possibility? City staff will need to check into the possibility. Jeff Kienlen suggested a photo radar unit in the area (like on Dry Hollow). Michael Holloran praised the idea too. Members asked if city staff could check on prices for a photo radar system. Possible a portable one that could be set up at different locations? Cost for that? Could the radar sign on Dry Hollow be moved to Columbia View Heights?

Officer Kienlen suggested reducing the speeds from 35 to 25 mph, making the whole area a consistent 25 mph zone. The question was asked if the Google donation of the Rapid Flashing Beacon lights would be useful in that area? Something to research.

If cost could be researched and shared there is a possibility of a private donation being made to pay for the signage and/or photo radar system. Officer Kienlen suggested the City look at grants to pay for the equipment. Discussion will be continued at the October meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A) District #21 Bus Loading/Unloading Zone on 10<sup>th</sup> Street

Russ Brown reported city staff and Michael Holloran met with Lisa Kaseberg on site and a discussion was held regarding keeping the loading zone as it currently is being used and adding a crossing guard at the nearest crosswalk in the afternoon to help visibility. More discussion was suggested for the October meeting.

) Rapid Flashing Beacon Discussion

Members discussed areas where the RFBs could be used. Area near the bus loading zone was suggested for a favorable location. More discussion to follow.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A) Request for Additional Yellow Curb @ 1750 W 10<sup>th</sup> Street

Item was tabled until October meeting when City Staff can give more detail.

B) Request for Stop Sign @ @ 20<sup>th</sup> & Radio Way

Discussion was held regarding the best place for a stop sign at that intersection. Larry Fairclo made a motion to suggest a stop sign on the east side of 20<sup>th</sup> be installed. Russ seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

C) Request for Traffic Calming Measures on Columbia View Heights near E. Knoll Drive & Summit Ridge Drive

See Public Comment

Officer Kienlen reported he has received complaints of cars making "U" turns near the intersection of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Cherry Heights since the installation of the new traffic pattern at that intersection.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mike Kilkenny moved to adjourn. Larry Fairclo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Windy Keever  
Administrative Secretary  
City of The Dalles Public Works

Final approval

  
Frank Pyles