

City of Canby

Traffic Safety Commission

Minutes of the meeting of March 8, 2019

Commission members present: Janet Bailey, DeAnna Ball-Karb, Corey Boehler, Bob Cambra, Clint Coleman, Andrea Warnock

City members present: Matt English, Canby Fire District; Sandy Freund, Canby Planning Department; Traci Hensley, City Council Liaison for TSC; Officer Chris Macom, Canby Police; Jerry Nelzen, Canby Public Works;

County Representative present: Rob Sadowsky, Clackamas County Traffic Safety – Engineering Dept. and Cameron Ruen

Members excused: Bob Backstrom;

Others present: Elan and Russ Langridge, Tom Rushton,

Introduction: Everyone present introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes: The draft of the February 8th minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved.

Citizen Input: Mr. Rushton explained he came to the meeting to listen.

Elan and Russ Langridge provided a detailed handout with information supporting their concerns regarding N. Maple Street from Territorial to N. 20th Street. Their stated goals were to solve their current needs and get ahead of the problems. They explained the present roadway from Territorial to N.20th is very narrow and provides no pathway for pedestrians. The traffic, which has increased and will further increase with already approved development, has made walking and biking hazardous. She was also critical of prior road studies and provided her own information. She wants a path to be provided down N. Maple to at least N. 20th. There was also a comment about creating a 4 way stop on Maple and Territorial.

It was pointed out, this part N. Maple is a County road and they have jurisdiction over the roadway. Discussion: This matter will be scheduled for next month's agenda. This will allow all members time to examine and research the concerns enabling a more thoughtful and complete discussion. It also allows for a more planned agenda. It is expected a member will be assigned to each concern for follow up if necessary.

Old Business:

New Business:

Board Members Reports:

Andrea Warnock thanked Public Works for installing the No Truck signs in the NW 2nd Ave and N. Cedar area as discussed at last months meeting.

DeAnna Ball-Karb explained social media discussed cars not stopping for pedestrians at the crosswalk on SW 13TH and S. Fir Str. She indicated there is a need for a light flashing signal to assist crossing. Bob indicated we should continue to develop a priority listing for these types of devices so request can be addressed in a planned perspective. There was a discussion about developer needing to be held responsible for resulting problems.

Bob Cambra provided a measured diagram of the roadway for N. knots between N. 2th and N. 3rd. The discussion reviewed: the parking problems, use by pedestrians, actual measured size, and fitting the City's Transportation System Study type of city street format. Matter was continued to next month for a look at solutions.

Traci Hensley, Canby City Council Liaison Report: Traci shared the City Council is currently focused on succession planning for retiring personnel. They have also approved a contract to proceed with N. Maple St (from N 10 to 14th St.) paving and installing of sidewalks. This project fits well be with future plans at the park. There is also a continued focus on business development in Canby.

Sandy Freund, Canby Planning Department: Sandy provided information on the Beck Pond development including layout, traffic impact, and roadway development. In response to a question, she provided an update on the development at the intersection of S. 13th street and S. Ivy St. The previous townhouse development seems to be shifting to a single home lot format.

Jerry Nelzen, Canby Public Works Dept. Report: Jerry explained he had engineers examine the idea of installing a crosswalk on Berg Parkway near Ace Hardware. They felt it would be too close to the existing intersection with HWY 99 and ultimately would create an unsafe crosswalk with people having a false sense of security. Regarding road projects, Maple Street will be starting soon with the next project focusing on N 10th from Pine Street to N. Maple then N 10th from Locus to N Maple. The Locus Street project is delayed for now. Public Works is continuing to install tree vaults in the downtown area. It is an involved process but going well.

Officer Chris Macom, Canby Police: He shared the Canby Police Monthly (February 2019) Traffic Safety Report. It indicated during the Month of February there were: 271 total citations issued by Traffic Officers, 2 DUII arrested by Traffic Officers, 3 Traffic Crimes arrested by Traffic Officers, 1 Traffic Complaints handled by Traffic Officer, 4 Traffic Crashes handled by Traffic Officers, 2 truck inspections done by Traffic Officers.

He also explained the speed indicator trailer has been out in the community alerting drivers of their speed. Lastly, the city now has 3 officers who have completed training for truck inspections.

Matt English, Canby Fire Dept. Report: He explained the Canby Fire Dept. shares the commission concern for community safety. Regarding upcoming events, the Department will be hosting a child car seat safety informational event.

Chairman's Report / Clint Coleman expressed his concern as all the developments start actual building homes; a new traffic study should be done for N. Territorial to thoroughly measure their impact. An example would be N. Redwood and Territorial.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be Friday, April 12, 2019 at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Cambra
Secretary