

City of Canby

Traffic Safety Commission

Minutes of the meeting of August 9, 2019

Commission members present: Janet Bailey, DeAnna Ball-Karb, Bob Cambra, Clint Coleman, Jackie Jones, Tom Rushton

City members present: Bryan Brown, Canby Planning Department; Traci Henley, City Council Liaison for TSC; Officer Chris Macom, Canby Police; Jerry Nelzen, Canby Public Works; Chris Wright, Canby Public Works,

Members excused: Andrea Warnock ,

Others present: Ragna Shollenberger,

Approval of Minutes: The draft of the July 12th minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved.

Chairperson: Clint welcomed Tom Rushton as a newly appointed member of the Traffic Safety Commission.

Introduction: Everyone present introduced themselves.

Citizen Input: Ms. Shollenberger explained she was walking on N. 10th at N. Maple and an electric wheelchair was struck in the gravel shoulder on the road. People helped the person. She was concerned about this situation and the roadway. Public Works explained the sidewalk linking N. Maple and 10th is narrow but does meet ADA expectations. They have also added gravel to the shoulder and compacted it. Bob commented hopefully someday N. 10th would have sidewalks for people.

Old Business:

New Business:

Board Members Reports:

Janet Bailey: none

DeAnna Ball-Karb shared there was almost an accident with an illegally parked car in a bike lane on Berg Parkway. It was there, getting food from one of the restaurants. This seems to be a continuous issue.

A motion was made for Public Works to examine installing a sign on Berg Parkway near the restaurants, reading, “No Parking allowed”. It was moved, seconded and approved.

Bob Cambra shared, he, Elan and Russ Langridge met with both a County Commissioner and the Assistant Director of Transportation about the need for a pedestrian walking path on N. Maple (from Territorial to the Country Club. The County and City are having discussions to see what can be done. This issue is continued. **It was motioned and approved to encourage the County and City to find a pedestrian safety solution for this roadway.**

Bob and Jackie both attended the Clackamas County Traffic Safety Commission. They both shared their discussions on the following topics from the meeting: 1) County roads within city limits, 2) an upcoming statewide Traffic Safety Conference, 3) seeking volunteers to help at their County Fair booth.

Jackie Jones expressed her concern with large dump trucks going fast on South Fir also their subsequently having to use their loud brakes. Both Public Works and the Police recommended calling in a traffic complaint on the non-emergence number.

Tom Rushton indicated he previously lived in Canby from 1975 till 1996. He returned to Canby in 2013 to Hope Village. The annexation there and the traffic on S. 13th and Fir St. has motivated him to become involved.

Digital Speed Signs Discussion & Recommendations of location for 2 signs on (N. territorial Rd):

Clint led the discussion. He provided an overview of N. Territorial Rd. including a physical layout and how future projected development will impact its usage. He reported approximate 7,000 cars per day and a 20-year projection at “full buildout” of projected developments of 14,000 cars per day (DKS). He shared his recommendation for crosswalks, stop signs and sidewalks (Redwood and N. Maple). He then laid out a knowledgeable argument for his recommendations for Digital Speed signals at 1) after corner on N. Territorial near N. Vine St. 2) coming off of Hwy 99E onto N. Territorial Rd 1/8 to 1/4 mile.

Bob indicated there was a need to look at the other locations on Territorial, which would also be impactful before a decision was made. **After further discussion, a motion was approved to form a subcommittee to work with Public Works and the Police to examine all alternatives and get their input.**

Officer Chris Macom, Canby Police: He shared the Canby Police Monthly (July 2019) Traffic Safety Report. It indicated during the Month of July there were: 493 total citations issued by Traffic Officers, 14 DUII arrested by Traffic Officers, 27 Traffic Crimes arrested by Traffic Officers, 33 Traffic Complaints handled by Traffic Officer, 11 Traffic Crashes handled by Traffic Officers, 6 truck inspections done by Traffic Officers. The increase in numbers, reflect the usual summer time increase. The reported traffic crashes were mainly on Ivy Street and in parking lots. He also shared there were over fifty vehicle cell phone usage violations issued on 99 and Territorial. He also explained how serious, preventable, expense these violations are and become.

Traci Henley, City Council Liaison for TSC: Traci provided the following updates from the City Council. The new City Manager Candidate has a land use background, which will be helpful during this City’s growth. She also discussed progress on the “water splash pad” and “Gateway Arch” on N. Grant as a welcome to the downtown area. She explained the new County vehicle registration fee, which will be shared with the Cities, would take between two to four years to be available for distribution.

Bryan Brown for Sandy Freund, Canby Planning Department: Bryan expanded upon and highlighted Sandy’s report to the Commission of the Planning Dept. activity since our last meeting:

1. Steady stream of building permit review site plans for residential construction and other types of permits that Planning must review prior to Clackamas County issuing building permits.
2. Two Pre-Application, applications submitted – one in the industrial park for Pacific Furniture (approx. 150,000 sq.ft. building and potentially bring up to 400 jobs), and another for a 30-lot subdivision as part of the North Redwood Plan.
3. Code Text amendments to Chapter 16 of Municipal Code – Council meeting first reading Aug. 7th; tentative second reading Sept. 4th.
4. Joint Work session for Planning Commission and City Council on the Housing Needs Analysis and Buildable lands inventory – took place on Aug.6 – going to Planning Commission on August 26th; City Council to hear second reading and adoption of SE Township Rd. right-of-way annexation into city limits, no developable land is included in this, just a technicality to bring the road into the City.
5. Planning Commission – other public hearing items: Martin Clark Minor Partition at 1225 S. Fir Street and Text Amendment to Temporary Vendor permits – scheduled for August 12; Smartlink/Cingular Wireless “monofir” monopole, scheduled for August 26 Planning Commission.
6. TSP Grant status: Awaiting decision as to grant award.

Jerry Nelzen, Canby Public Works Dept. Report: Jerry explained the contractor is wrapping up the work on N. Maple and moving forward on a several paving projects including the curved roadway where N. Pine connects by the Canby Depot Museum.

Chairman's Report: Clint encouraged volunteering with the County's safety booth at the County Fair.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be Friday, September 13, 2019 at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Cambra
Secretary