

City of Canby
Traffic Safety Commission
Minutes of the meeting of January 8, 2021

Note: Due to the COVID-19 this meeting was held using Zoom

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

City members present: Scott Archer, City of Canby Administrator; Erik Forsell, Canby Planning Department; Traci Hensley, City Council liaison for TSC; Officer Chris Macom, Canby Police Department; Jerry Nelzen, Canby Public Works; Spencer Polack, Canby Public Works

Excused: Tom Rushton

Others present:

Approval of Minutes: The draft of the December 11th minutes were amended, reviewed, moved by DeAnna, seconded by Janet, voted upon, and unanimously approved.

Introduction: Everyone present introduced themselves.

Citizen Input:

None

Special Guest: Everyone welcomed Scott Archer, the City of Canby Administrator. He explained he is visiting all City Boards, Committees, and Commission to thank them, say hello, and gain a feel and understanding of what they are doing.

Chairperson's report: Clint provided some background information to Scott regarding the work of the Commission. He explained we are an advisory group focused on Traffic Safety who also are a forum for citizen concerns in this area. We develop recommendations and share them with the City. He then provided examples of our past work.

Clint reviewed the previously Goals and Concerns for 2021 identified at the last meeting.

- Shifting responsibility of County Roads in the City to the City
- Reducing the speed limit on 13th near the Timber Park area
- Developing a solution to the illegal pedestrians crossing by Ace hardware on Berg Parkway
- Examining the Territorial/N Redwood intersection whether a 4 way stop is warranted

He suggested organizing in groups to address the individual issues:

- for the March meeting agenda, he asked Janet to take the lead to address the Speed Reduction in the Timber Park area
- also for the March meeting agenda, he asked DeAnna, Jackie and Tom to address the Berg Parkway crossing issues
- for the April meeting agenda, he asked Bob Chris and Clint to address the 4-way stop issue

Old Business:

New Business:

Spencer Polack, Canby Public Works: Spencer explained Public Works was involved in numerous construction projects in the City including: roadwork on N. Holly at the intersection with Territorial,

the S. Ivy project adding an additional crew to make more progress, and addressing storm water issue on N. 10th street.

Erik Forsell, Liaison from the Canby Planning Department: Erik shared Don Hardy, the City's new Planning Department Director was starting on Monday. He explained Don bring lot of experience to the position and the Department.

He explained the Planning Department continues to be busy with a number of developments. The Postlewait's area development on N. Redwood and 17th has finished its public improvements. The development will be adding 9 units. The traffic study for N. Redwood Landing III was done. A project application will be submitted for Planning Commission consideration probably in February. The N. Redwood Land II project is entering its preconstruction phase. A new Memory Care Facility, on the corner of S. Ivy and S. 13th St., is preparing for submission.

Erik explained an effort to encourage and obtain public participation and comments regarding developments prior to writing Staff Reports going to the Planning Commission. He plans to send a letter to TSC members seek comments for future developments.

Bob shared and praised an example of a Staff Report prepared by the Planning Department. The focus was on the Taco Bell redevelopment. He noted the attention to flow of traffic, lighting and pedestrian safety.

Officer Chris Macom, Canby Police Department: Officer Macom shared the Canby Police Monthly (December 2020) Traffic Safety Report. It indicated during the Month of December there were: 213 total citations issued by Traffic/Patrol Officers, 5 DUII arrested by Traffic/Patrol Officers, 8 Traffic Crimes arrested by Traffic/Patrol Officers, 16 Traffic Complaints handled by Traffic/Patrol Officer, 11 Traffic Crashes handled by Traffic/Patrol Officers. He explained this past month, the community seem to be calmer. They are following through with the Safety Grants discussed at the last meeting.

Board Members Reports:

DeAnna Ball-Karb expressed concern with drivers not paying attention and running the red light left turning signal at the HWY 99/ Berg Parkway intersection. It was clarified the signal system is programmed similar to other lighted intersection. This situation will be forwarded to the motorcycle police officers for their information.

She also shared the NW Tenth Street area development near the St. Patrick Church had a ZOOM meeting regarding their 15 home development. She was glad it was staying smaller.

Chris Wadsworth explained she had reached out to Melissa Bisset at the City and will be contacting Councilperson Parker to contact Neighborhood Associations in the City. She has been in contact with neighbors seeking their input on N. Redwood and will continue to contact more in the area. She continued to advocate for something to be done regarding the N. Redwood and Territorial intersection and to have No Parking Signs installed on N. Redwood. She was assured citizens would be notified when the No parking change occurs.

Jackie Jones expressed concern gravel was left from the NW gas project. She indicated she and Chris would be starting to organize an effort to create more educational/public service videos for the community.

Tom Rushton shared (by email) how with the completion of the NW Gas project traffic was flowing on 13 St and Berg Park way. He also discussed an article about the "13 points of polite driving". He volunteered for the N. Redwood /Territorial intersection study.

Bob Cambra discussed organizing the study group for exploring the options (including a 4 way stop) for the N Redwood/ Territorial intersection.

He reported the Commission's letter supporting a connector road (extension of S. Walnut St) between the Canby Pioneer Industrial Park and State HWY 99 was sent to the City and also shared with and at the Planning Commission.

Janet Bailey expressed concern about a trucks parking at BB. Steel while it seems to be staging for a construction project. The conversation moved to a discussion of the construction projects in the industrial area and their utilization of Ivy and 13 St. and impacting traffic for communities such as Timber Park.

Scott Archer shared there has been very preliminary discussions of a new large industrial site development but assured there would be neighborhood meetings to gather input.

Traci Hensley, City Council liaison for TSC clarified City Councilor Parker in the liaison to the Neighborhood Associations. She shared there is a need to revitalize these associations.

Bob Cambra complimented Direct Link and the City for working together to provide wider Wi-Fi access in the community.

Clint thanked Scott Archer for attending.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be February 12th, 2021 at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Cambra
Secretary