# **City of Canby**

### **Traffic Safety Commission**

#### Minutes of the meeting of May 14, 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, Chris Wadsworth,

**City members present**: Erik Forsell, Canby Planning Department; Traci Hensley, City Council liaison for TSC; Officer Chris Macom, Canby Police Department; Spencer Polack, Canby Public Works Members Excused: Jackie Jones, Tom Rushton

Others present: None

**Approval of Minutes:** The earlier draft of the April 9th minutes were amended then reviewed, moved by Janet, seconded by DeAnna, voted upon, and unanimously approved. A revised copy was later emailed all members.

<u>Introduction</u>: Everyone present introduced themselves.

#### **Citizen Input:**

Clint provided an updated on the Enterprise Rent-a-Car Company parking concern. He indicated Joe Lindsay, the City Attorney, was still exploring the issue.

# **Chairperson:**

Clint indicated he was informed three of the current positions (Clint, DeAnna, Tom) are up for reappointment. Clint and DeAnna both indicated they wish to continue on the Commission and serving the community. He also felt confident Tom would want to also.

Clint indicated it was time for a new **election for positions on the Commission**. He stated he was stepping down from the Chairperson role. He opened nomination for Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary.

Chairperson: Clint indicated Jackie Jones was interested in the position. Bob Cambra was nominated by Chris and seconded by DeAnna. The position was voted upon and **Bob Cambra was selected Chairperson.** 

Vice Chairperson: Bob nominated DeAnna and Chris seconded it. The position was voted upon and **DeAnna Ball-Karb was selected Vice Chairperson**.

Secretary: Bob nominated Chris and DeAnna seconded it. The position was voted upon and Chris Wadsworth was selected Secretary.

Clint expressed appreciation and a thank you to everyone servicing on the Commission. Bob also thanked Clint on behalf of everyone for his services to the Commission and Community.

#### **Old Business:**

# **New Business:**

Officer Chris Macom, Canby Police Department: Officer Macom shared the Canby Police Monthly (April 2021) Traffic Safety Report. It indicated during the Month of April there were: 397 total citations issued by Traffic/Patrol Officers, 16 DUII arrested by Traffic/Patrol Officers, 19 Traffic Crimes arrested by Traffic/Patrol Officers, 27 Traffic Complaints handled by Traffic/Patrol Officer, 12 Traffic Crashes handled by Traffic/Patrol Officers. He explained his experience has been as summer approaches the number of incidents and citations seem to increase. It explained an on going concern reported is heavy construction trucks not following the established truck routes but taking other City

streets for quicker deliveries. He will be attending a new school for Truck Inspections. This will help. Clint asked is there any thing the Commission can do to support and assist their efforts in enforcing truck route usage. He indicated he would report back.

Erik Forsell, Liaison from the Canby Planning Department: Eric shared he wanted to continue to encourage people to testify when items of interest or concern arise such as at the Planning Commission. He pointed to the recent NW 10<sup>th</sup> project. He felt it was meaningful. He explained there are established rules and laws, which set parameters to what developers can be held responsible. However, providing comment is useful. He also indicated his department remains busy.

**Spencer Polack, Canby Public Works:** Spencer explained Public Works is getting busier as they approach the busy project months of summer. Several projects are proceeding such as the installing of curbs at the N. Redwood II project, and paving at the Caruso construction area. They have beautified the City with the flower baskets and maintaining the watering systems. They also painted the curb red near the Tai restaurant as recommended. He explained the City is continuing their negotiations for property acquisition for the Walnut Street connection to HWY 99. Bob asked about the recommendation to add a left turn lane on S. Fir. Spencer explained this project is on the list of paint projects to be done this summer.

**Traci Hensley, City Council liaison for TSC:** Traci provided a status update and what is happening with several projects in the downtown area. Wayward Sandwiches has been granted approval to establish and offer a whiskey bar. The Oregon City Brewery is developing the old library building. It will have a brewery, an arcade, and food carts. The City's "quiet zone" project is steadily moving through the approval process.

# **Board Members Reports:**

**DeAnna Ball-Karb** thanked Public Works for painting the curbing red by the Tai Restaurant to restrict parking on the roadway. She noted this shopping mall area had recently installed two speed humps in their parking area. She shared Jackie asked to indicate speeding continues on S13th street and at the Elm four way stop intersection, people continue to run the stop sign. She asked police to watch and monitor the situation. She shared cars are driving through the Church (located at the intersection) parking lot to avoid the stop. She also shared NW Natural Gas started work in front of her home without any notice. She continues to believes citizens should be notified ahead of time when construction projects such as the Natural Gas work is going to impact traffic, homes and cause delays. Lastly, a week ago a semi-truck turned from HWY 99 on to Berg Parkway had a difficult time making the turn with the island there.

**Chris Wadsworth** thanked Public Works for install the No Parking signs on the recommended parts of N. Redwood.

Bob Cambra summarized the N. Redwood &N. Territorial Intersection Sub Committee's work and the data previously shared. He introduced the motion passed by the Sub Committee for the full Commission's consideration. The motion was moved by Bob, seconded by Chris, voted upon, and unanimously approved. The motion is: Move that our Canby Public Works along with the City of Canby put in a 4way Stop at N Redwood & N Territorial designed in such a way that if in the future a Roundabout is deemed to be more suitable that this possibility is designed into the 4way stop. This motion will be forwarded to the City and Public Works.

Bob also expressed an ongoing concern for the lack of pedestrian walking paths (or sidewalks) on two very busy streets, N. Locus (between N. 10<sup>th</sup> and NE 3<sup>rd</sup>) and N. 10<sup>th</sup> (especially between N. Pine and N. Locus). At the very least on street parking should be restricted to only one side of the street. This

would provide an open path on the opposite side for safe pedestrian passage. He will be gathering data and measurements for the next meeting.

Janet Bailey explained she had a Zoom meeting with ODOT representatives regarding their plan on creating a pedestrian island at the Kiwanis Thrift Store area. While they emphasized the safety rationale, they provided assurance it would not block the Thrift Store's parking lot and it's exist to Hwy 99. It was a very good meeting and great opportunity to meet the ODOT people and explain the concerns. She thanked Erik for his suggestion and help.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be June 11th, 2021 at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Cambra Secretary