



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING & AGENDA

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2014

PUBLIC SAETY BUILDING, 401 E THIRD STREET, NEWBERG

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- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
- II. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE**
- III. ROLL CALL**
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- V. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- VI. ELECTION OF COMMISSION CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**
 - A. Nomination and election of Chairperson of the Traffic Safety Commission
 - B. Nomination and election of Vice-Chair for the Traffic Safety Commission
- VII. CONSENT CALENDAR**
 - A. Review and approve minutes of November 12, 2013
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Discussion: Administrative Hearing Process
 - B. Request to review impact of truck traffic on Center Street, between Fulton & North streets
- X. STAFF REPORTS – GENERAL INFORMATION**
 - A. Police Update.
 - B. Engineering Update
- XI. ADJOURNMENT – Next meeting February 10, 2013**

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TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2013 7:00 PM
Public Safety Building, 401 E. Third Street, Newberg

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A work session was held prior to the meeting. A presentation was given by Barton Brierley, Planning & Building Director, discussing the process and timeline for Planning Commission items. No action was taken and no decisions were made.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Neal Klein called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Neal Klein, Chair Karl Birky, Vice Chair Dianna Cotter
Shannon Eoff David Venable
Mayor Bob Andrews, Ex-officio Austin Christensen, Student Commissioner

Members Absent: Tony Roos (excused), Ron Johns (excused), and Kari Lawson (excused)

Staff Present: Brian Casey, Chief of Police Mary Newell, Support Services Manager
Jason Wuertz, Civil Engineer Nicole Tannler, Minutes Recorder
Barton Brierley, Planning & Building Director

Others Present: Josh Kraner

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Klein opened and closed the public testimony; no citizens appeared.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Approve meeting minutes for October 16, 2013

MOTION: Cotter/Eoff to approve the Consent Calendar including the Traffic Safety Commission minutes for October 16, 2013. Motion carried (5 Yes/0 No/3 Absent [Johns, Roos, and Lawson]/1 Vacant).

VI. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a. Foothills traffic study

Mr. Jason Wuertz, civil engineer, presented the staff report (see official meeting packet for full report).

Chair Klein said the Terrace Estates subdivision has been appealed and is going to council, so depending on that the commission will see where to go.

Mr. Wuertz stated looking at the traffic study the speeds on foothills exceed the speed limit. We did the study because we wanted to have the data for future reference as the development progresses.

Mayor Bob Andrews asked how many trips per day each resident creates. Commissioner Karl Birky answered the average is 9.57 trips per day.

Chair Klein stated Terrace Estates is adding forty homes. Mayor Andrews asked where Terrace Estates will empty out. Chair Klein said Terrace Drive and the rest would probably dump onto Foothills Drive and Morris Street.

Chair Klein stated the intent was to establish a baseline for now and not to have a discussion.

b. Request for "no parking" signs on Tukwila Drive

Mr. Jason Wuertz, Civil Engineer, presented the staff report (see official meeting packet for full report).

Mr. Josh Kraner testified he recently moved into the neighborhood on Tukwila Drive and noticed during pick up times of school there is quite a bit of congestion. The builder put in many homes without regard to safety for pedestrians and drivers who use Tukwila Drive to bypass the stop sign down the street. This causes safety concerns for kids crossing the street before and after school because speeding is also a problem. Mr. Kraner stated he is a police officer in Portland and has been on many traffic safety committees.

Commissioner Birky asked if there is any parking on Foothills Drive. Mr. Kraner said there is no parking on the south side of Foothills Drive nor on the west side of Main Street, but there is on the east side.

Commissioner Dianna Cotter asked what solutions he suggests. Mr. Kraner answered to have no parking on the street, or just at those pickup times. Commissioner Cotter asked if no parking may be a problem for the residents. Mr. Kraner stated not for what he is asking. Commissioner Cotter asked if he had spoken to any residents. Mr. Kraner said a couple of residents are in agreement, but he has not spoken to any others.

Commissioner David Venable asked where else parents park to pick up students. Mr. Kraner said there is a large parking lot and a line of cars to pick up students; my street is just a short-cut to not have to wait in the line. There are also a lot of cars that use it as a bypass instead of the stop sign at Main Street and Foothills Drive.

Chair Klein asked how long he has been there. Mr. Kraner said just under a year, but with my experience it is just a matter of time until something happens. Commissioner Cotter asked if he had any discussions with the school itself. Mr. Kraner answered no. Commissioner Cotter said we had a similar situation at Mable Rush and we did get some cooperation from the parents once we notified them. Mr. Kraner said I think the only way to fix this is no parking at all times, or just school pick up times.

Chair Klein stated with the no parking how do you think it will affect your neighbors and will this move the problem down the street. Mr. Kraner said the map is deceiving and he does not think it will move the problem.

Mayor Andrews said the school can educate the children and parents to try to clear this up.

Chair Klein said if there was no parking in front of your residence and it will affect your neighbors down the street they will have time to appeal the decision. Just be aware this can be a two to three month time frame before anything is established.

Commissioner Cotter said my first instinct would be to restrict the parking at certain times and separate it into two issues with the people using Tukwila Drive to bypass the stop sign.

Chair Klein suggested communicating with the schools first to see if we get any improvement, because even if we make a decision tonight we would not hear an appeal until January. Mr. Kraner stated he thinks that will just be a band-aid.

Chair Klein said he is worried about enforcement because it is such a small street and he does not want to punish a neighborhood.

Commissioner Birky said the three problems seem to be parking, speed, and pedestrians and thought the only way to resolve it is to talk to the school.

Commissioner Cotter stated there is a tremendous amount of parking in the area and felt a limited no parking restriction during peak hours on one side of Tukwila Drive would have a beneficial effect.

Mayor Andrews asked if this would be for 12 months out of the year. Commissioner Eoff said she would suggest during school days only.

Mr. Kraner said his main concern is the amount of children using Tukwila Drive to walk home and the litter that accumulates from the parked cars.

Chair Klein said we will draft a letter to the school district to start an education process on pedestrian crossings.

MOTION: Cotter/Venable to place no parking signs on Tukwila Drive in front of lot 114, at the junction of lots 127 and 224 on the west side of Tukwila Drive, and on the East side of Tukwila in front of lot 115 and to restrict parking between the hours of 7:30 AM to 9:30 AM and 2 PM and 3:30 PM on school days. Motion carried (4 Yes/1 No [Birky]/3 Absent [Johns, Roos, and Lawson]/1 Vacant).

VIII. STAFF REPORTS – GENERAL INFORMATION

a. Engineering:

Mr. Jason Wuertz, civil engineer, reported they are working to get traffic data at the intersection of Natalie Drive and Morris Street. The changes ODOT made to traffic signals throughout town have been noticed by the community. The lights at Villa Road and 99W intersection is one we have heard a lot about. The reason for the change is because of the significant amount of traffic turning left on Villa Road. The goal is to move more cars through where needed. Hopefully, people will notice traffic is improving and pedestrian crossing has changed as well.

b. Police:

Mr. Brian Casey, chief of police, reported there was a 15-year-old girl hit by a dump truck because she rode her bike out in front of the truck and disobeyed the traffic control device. She is okay, but has a lot of broken bones. The new drug dog has been out and had three hits on three traffic stops. A woman passed away and left money for the K-9 unit. We have not received complaints about the Newberg-Dundee Bypass, but have had complaints in Dundee about fast paced dump trucks. I would anticipate as the project comes to Newberg we will have the same problem.

c. 2013 TSC Log of Decisions:

There was no discussion as the log was provided in the official meeting packet.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM.

Approved by the Newberg Traffic Safety Commission this 13th day of January, 2013.

Nicole Tannler
Minutes Recorder

Neal S. Klein
Traffic Safety Commission Chair

OUTLINE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Newberg City Council

► ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING ◀

1. CALL TO ORDER

OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING, ANNOUNCE THE PURPOSE, DISCUSS TESTIMONY PROCEDURE, AND TIME ALLOTMENTS

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR ABSTENTIONS

3. STAFF REPORTS

4. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

A. Mayor Announces Time Limits

B. Citizen Testimony

1. Invites citizen to the table to speak into the microphone.
2. Inform citizen to state name at beginning of testimony.
3. Remind citizen to briefly state input.
4. Order of Citizens' Testimony.
 1. Proponent
 2. Opponent
 3. Undecided

C. Close of Public Testimony

5. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF

6. COUNCIL DELIBERATION

7. DECISION

A. **Resolution – Action usually requires passage of resolution**

B. **Vote – Voice vote is permitted**

C. **Majority of the Quorum is required for passage**

D. **Combination – Can be combined with other council action**

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December 04, 2013

To The Traffic Safety Board:
Attn: Jason Wuertz

I have been a resident at this address for 36 years and am writing with some serious concerns of mine and my neighbors, concerning the impact of the truck traffic, on our two block street (Center Street) between Fulton and North streets.

There are no sidewalks that people from the Friendsview Manor, students and the general public to walk on safely. I have seen some individuals stumble on occasion, because of the badly patching job on the street.

The truck traffic to the University, has doubled in the last 5 years and this year a lot of *heavy construction vehicles*, has added to that traffic; which has impacted the streets condition considerably.

My recommendation and my neighbors' are to stop the University truck traffic from Fulton to North Street and completely resurface the street the right way, so pedestrians can safely walk on the street without tripping.

Respectively,

Tim McGanty and concerned neighbors

Neighbors Signatures:

Connie Lloyd
D. M. Lloyd
John Kalandra
Nancy Lakota
Rochi Robertson