



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING & AGENDA

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2014

PUBLIC SAETY BUILDING, 401 E THIRD STREET, NEWBERG

“Mission Statement: To give the citizens of Newberg a forum to voice traffic safety concerns, evaluate related issues, provide a liaison with the City and promote traffic safety within the community.”

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation by Janelle Lawrence, Director of Oregon Impact, on educational and community programs that Oregon Impact can offer Oregon’s Traffic Safety Committees

B. Request for assistance with speeding and reckless behavior on S. Blaine Street

VI. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. STAFF REPORTS – GENERAL INFORMATION

A. Engineering

B. Police

IX. ADJOURNMENT – Next meeting September 8, 2014

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Posted: August 5, 2014

Mary Newell

From: Bodhi Newman [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 10:52 PM
To: Mary Newell
Subject: speeding problem and reckless behavior on Blaine St

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Hello Ms. Newell,

We have spoken on the phone, one time and after that I had been awaiting a court date against one of the subjects I am about to address.

I am really sick and tired of people using Blaine St as a racing strip.

I have been talking to other people in my neighborhood and apparently, there have been several complaints filed and people have called the police numerous times about this very thing.

I have talked to a few police officers yet I still feel like the words I am placing out there are not being heralded. I have mentioned specific times and days for officers to take heed to, but it seems that this is not an important issue.

I am beginning to wonder if this is because we live on the "South" side of town..in a known trouble zone.

Here is the deal....

we are homeowners here...there are people with small children, pedestrians and animals that do NOT feel safe on a road that is barely two lanes because there are people who speed up and down this road like it is their private playground.

You had mentioned that ODOT would take measures...however, how can they when they would be here witnessing off hours and NOT seeing any chaos.

Just now, at 10:35PM there were 6...6 cars down there racing about tearing up the gravel and speeding up Blaine to leave the park.

This is way past ridiculous and needs to end.

It is NOT just the skateboarders that are the problem...there is a BMX park down here with several events all week...and frisbee golf..and EVEN some of the folks who use the dog park.

The speed limit is apparently below them and they know nothing will be done.

We are at a very dangerous point out here with this issue. Two nights ago two 16 year old punks threatened to ..."beat the [REDACTED] out of me with a bat"....can you see why I am becoming completely frustrated and angry???

We are being held captive on OUR street as a neighborhood due to something that could be immobilized with a little effort from law authorities and other council members.

I am not certain who else I have to contact, thinking of forwarding this to the sheriff or other council members...but I want to be heard and I am speaking on behalf of at least a dozen other people...we are tired of living like this and it needs to end.

You can contact me here by email or cell phone.

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Bodhi Newman
Jennifer Foreman

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