

INDEPENDENCE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING ON 18 June, 2003

Commission members present: Kie Cottam, Tim Hinds,
Vernon Wells

Absent: Terry Allen, Mike Danko,
Michael Iwai, Lonnie Sanner

Visitor: Anne Holder,
ODOT Transportation Safety Coordinator

Traffic Safety Tech: Carl Nightengale

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (April 23, 2003):

Minutes were unanimously approved.

VISITOR BUSINESS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. 'No Through Traffic' signs are on order for the Alley between A and B streets by Pfaff's..
Kie will advise.
2. Additional speed limit signs are on order for 16th Street and Stryker Road.
Kie will advise.
3. Hazard by 4th and Spruce – the owner has been requested to trim the tree blocking. They have until August; otherwise the city will trim it.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Traffic hazard at the curve on Stryker by Corsair. The owner of the property with brush blocking visibility likes his brush uncut. The curve has existing 25 MPH (recommended) signs. The property is now Polk County, but may be absorbed by the City. When that happens, the City will be able to enforce the brush being trimmed.

2. Speeding problem on F between Mill and 11th. Deployed speed trailer and decoy car. Biggest problem is when the mill shift is over at 15:30. Street is very bad, making it narrow, and shares traffic with pedestrians, mostly school children. Anne Holder suggested asking the employer to speak with employees about hazards. She also suggested we get some information from 'National Employers for Safety Concerns' – Carl will check this. Carl will also draft a letter to the mill owner stating concerns.
3. Marquis Spa crosswalk concern. Crosswalk signs and decoy car were deployed, the safety coordinator spoke to. A crosswalk compliance check was done by IPD. The safety coordinator has installed a section of fence to insure that workers have to use the crosswalk. The street is freshly paved, and stripes will soon be painted. Educational material is available, and ODOT will share with the TSC, and we'll share with Marquis Spa.
4. Resident request for another street light on Gun Club at the bottom of the hill. This will be added to requested off-site improvements for the incoming development. Carl will draft a memo to Mike Danko.
5. Resident complaint of speeding on Ash Street. Deployed decoy, speed trailer. Traffic counter will be set up, probably June 21. Carl action.
6. Resident request for parking to be allowed on 16th street. New sidewalk will be installed this summer, and 'No Parking' signs will be installed (west side). Council agreed that for the greater good, bike lanes on each side are the best. Ms. Holder suggested education for the parents and children, with maps, literature. Carl will collect info.
7. Traffic surveys for Gun Club, Stryker, 16th, and Monmouth were shared with attendees. This information is available from Carl.
8. Four way stop signs requested at Randall and 11th by a resident. Committee consensus is no more signs needed.
9. Resident complaints of on-street parking in the 800 block of Monmouth. Hard to enforce traffic violations because there is no curb, fog line, or sidewalk in that area. Cannot put up 'No Parking' signs because it's a state road. This summer improvements will be made to the street, adding curbs, sidewalks, and fog line.

NEXT MEETING: 20 August, 2003, 6:00 pm