

INDEPENDENCE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING ON August 18, 2004

ROLL CALL

Commission members present:

Terry Allen
Beau Horn
Lonnie Sanner
Vern Wells
Note taker: Carl Nightengale

Absent:

Kie Cottam
Tim Hinds

Visitors;

Bianca Wendt Anasticion Duran

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Unanimous approval.

VISITOR BUSINESS:

Ms. Wendt and Mr. Duran presented concerns of speeders on F Street. Drivers are going too fast by their house. There is a straight run from Randall Way to 6th Street. There have been confrontations between residents and speeders. Speeders include Pacific Power trucks. Cars coming from 10th or 7th streets are the biggest problems. There seem to be five drivers who are the worst speeders. The decoy car and speed trailer have been deployed, without effectiveness. Other residents have complained, and Mr. Duran brought those concerns to the meeting.

Action: a high-intensity traffic law enforcement letter will be prepared and distributed to the neighborhood. There will be a higher presence of police patrol in the neighborhood.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Traffic hazard on 4th/G. Move forward to next meeting.
2. Corvallis Road speed limit change. Waiting Polk County engineer. Move forward to next meeting.
3. Who determines a designated school zone. A scheduled visitor was to speak on this – he didn't show. Will table until further notice.
4. Paint stripes and add bumps for left turn from Hoffman Rd. to Stryker Rd., and Marquis Spa Polk St. crosswalk are waiting City Manager.

5. New Gun Club Rd. apartments having no street lighting or sidewalk. Tabled until pending design review is completed.

6. 4th and C streets intersection. A 4-way stop would result in fewer parking spaces, and further study is needed to determine if more stop signs would really help. Mr. Horn will contact the IES principal for her input.
A turnaround was suggested, but IES is an historic building.

7. Right-turn only from Hoffman to Stryker. Forward to next meeting. City Manager has approved, and sign is on order.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. New house by the bridge – not an issue.

2. Resident complaints of speeding on Williams. Speed trailer and decoy car were deployed several times. No further complaints.

3. More street lighting requested in the area of 13th and F streets.
Mr. Sanner suggested there may be alternatives to additional street lights from old neighborhood watch programs. Carl will search for these documents.

4. Discuss new school zone Senate Bill 179 and its effects locally.
Slide-show presentation. Commission determined the number of signs needed.
Commission voted to use only the 20 at all times signs. Chief Wells submitted a list of needed school signs to the city shops on 08/19/2004.

NEXT MEETING: October 20, 2004