

INDEPENDENCE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING ON August 17th, 2005

Commission members present:

Terry Allen Kie Cottam
Tim Hinds Beau Horn
Chief Wells
Carl Nightengale

Absent:

Lonnie Sanner

Visitors:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Approved as written.

VISITOR BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Problem of speeding on Mooney, vehicles using this street to by-pass Hoffman Road. Mr. Scott Green was to provide signatures of support requesting blockage of Mooney, but he hasn't done so as of this meeting. On hold pending Mr. Green's action.
2. Bicycle concerns on 16th Street. The oversize directional arrows have been completed.
3. Speed reduction requests for Main Street and Corvallis Road are waiting ODOT action.
4. Speeding complaints on Ash. Radar checks have been performed, and speeds were found to be within the posted limits. The new speed limit signs most likely have a good affect on speeds, along with the speed trailer and decoy car deployment.
No further action.
5. 4th and C streets waiting removal of the two end parking spots in front of IES. Mr. Horn will advise.
6. Resident request for crosswalks in the Hoffman/Polk/Stryker area.
A crosswalk is close to completion at the Airport Way/Hoffman intersection.
Further study is needed before putting a sidewalk on Stryker and Polk, in order not to make a cumbersome intersection more so.

7. Skateboarding/rollerblading/BMX biking at the Amphitheater.

Temporary signs prohibiting these activities are in place.

Must be sure of the verbiage before posting permanent signs.

Chief Wells got approval from City Council to include the whole of the park as a Downtown Area, which prohibits these activities under city ordinance 10.37.1. The parking lot is exempt so skateboarders etc can use it.

8. Train tracks on 2nd Street continue to be a problem. One visitor had their wheelchair stuck in these track ruts. Chief Wells and Carl will draft a letter to the railroad and ODOT Rail outlining the Commissions' concerns.

9. CERT and IPD emergency traffic equipment and training.

Kie is attempting to find an official ODOT training course that CERT members can attend to become certified in traffic control. Carl will add purchase of traffic flow equipment to the 2006 ACTS grant. This will include stop/slow paddle signs, barriers, detour signs, flashlights, and high-visibility vests.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Crosswalk requested at 9th or 10th and Monmouth Streets by a resident.

Kie will check the area and make a recommendation to the commission regarding which intersection makes sense.

2. June 2007 is when the newest school speed-zone regulations take effect.

We'll take another look in 2006 to determine signs working and how to make the changes.

NEXT MEETING:

OCTOBER 19th, 6:00 pm