

**CLACKAMAS COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**September 06, 2017**

Mission: To give the citizens of Clackamas County a forum to voice traffic safety concerns, evaluate related issues, provide a liaison with County agencies and promote traffic safety.

**COMMISSION MEMBERS**

**Present:**

Kate Stinson  
Carol Vonderheit  
Steve Adams  
Chris Larsen  
Bob Karl  
Nathan McCarty  
Jim Rough  
Michael Wilson  
Robert Ludwick  
Brian Hitchcock

**Absent:**

Brian Burke  
Steve Fudali

**Staff Members:**

Laura Kitts  
Christian Snuffin

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**CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 pm**

**APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES:** Approved August minutes with corrections.

**CALL FOR ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:** Rosemont Trail

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Steve Fudali is resigning from TSC. Members wished him well.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS:**

99E and Hanes Rd - turning left onto 99E - this is an ODOT intersection.

Kate raised concerns about pavement condition, narrow width and limited sight lines on 5<sup>th</sup> St and Linn Ave that makes cycling and walking hazardous. Christian found information on Oregon City's website related to the recent sewer replacement project: <https://www.orcity.org/publicworks/project/ci-15-018>, and the Linn Avenue, Leland Road & Meyers Road Corridor Plan, which was completed in 2015: <https://www.orcity.org/publicworks/project/ci-13-013>. This plan addresses future improvements to these streets.

Robert raised concerns about bike lane gaps on SE 129<sup>th</sup> just north of Mountain Gate Road. While Clackamas County jurisdiction ends about 1,200 feet north of Sunnyside Rd, the Happy Valley TSP identifies bike lanes along this segment as a medium-priority project. Chapter 6 of the TSP covers the bicycle plan: <http://www.happyvalleyor.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/Transportation-System-Plan.pdf>. Contact the city to learn about planning for future capital projects.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

**Fatal Crash Summary:** No crashes in August, this is the lowest number at this point in the year since 2013. Through Aug. 31 - 2013: 11; 2014: 27; 2015: 24; 2016: 30; 2017: 20.

**Traffic Engineering Update:**

Invited TSC members to participate in the road safety audits: Stafford Road, September 19-21 (Wilsonville to Lake Oswego); Redland Road, October 11-13.

Central Point and New Era - new signs and markings have been installed. A new capital project is in the works to realign Central Point and reduce the skew angle.

The intersections of Orient and Compton and Orient and Kelso will be converted to all-way stop traffic control by spring of 2018.

Highway 43 & McVey: Chris Larsen says there is still confusion about correct lane use, and additional signing and/or pavement markings are needed to provide more guidance to drivers. Chris suggested to post signage stating - "Left turn only". Christian will pass this along to Tiffany Slauter, ODOT signal manager.

**Rosemont Trail Update:** Good news! The striping will be done Sept. 15 and the trail will be completed!

**2017 County Fair Recap:** It went well. Had great experiences with the kids. Had a slow start, but went great once it ramped up. Carol received a lot of request for SLOW DOWN signs. We did run out of some supplies and would have liked to have had activity books and concave mirrors.

**Hilltop Health and Safety Fair:** Recap for new members on what to expect for this fair compared with the County Fair. There will be fire trucks, an emergency personnel booth, Jaws of Life, police car rides and additional activity booths. Mike Wilson offered to bring a pop-up tent, table and a couple of chairs.

**Headphones:** Brief discussion on wearing headphones while driving. There is no law that prohibits a person from wearing headphones while operating a vehicle.

**Potential Future Guest Speakers:**

- Captain Shaun Davis – discuss pedestrian safety operation
- John Nacaratto - PD Traffic 101
- OCPD Diversion Program
- Trauma Nurses Talk Tough
- World of Speed
- Joe Marek - TSAP
- Share the Road Safety Class - Chris Larsen

**Recruiting younger members:** National Honor Society is a potential starting point for young members.

**House Bill 2597 Hands-free Law:** Chris summarized the bill.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:49 pm