CLACKAMAS COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES

June 03, 2020

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.

COMMISION MEMBERS

Present	Absent:
Jake Ensminger	Jessie Harris (excused)
Laurie Hedwall	Rafael Kaup
Robert Ludwick	·
Nathan McCarty	
Bob Karl	
Ronna Keeney	
Chris Larsen	
James Rough	
Michael Wilson	
Carol Vonderheit	
Staff Present	Guest
Christian Snuffin	Scott Holescher
Rob Sadowsky	
Laura Kitts	

Note: Due to COVID-19 social distancing measures, this meeting was held remotely via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:06pm

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from May 6, 2020 were approved. Carol moved, Laurie seconded.

CALL FOR ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

- Clackamas County Fair
- Drive to Zero Art work

CITIZEN CONCERNS:

- Sunnyside and Misty: difficulty turning onto Sunnyside from SE Misty Dr. There is no protected left, concerned with possible collision with pedestrians and vehicles.
- 122nd and Mather Rd- Sunnyside Elementary. Needs a crosswalk.

OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS:

a. Guest: Scott Hoelscher, DTD Senior Transportation Planner - Safe Routes to School Competitive Infrastructure Grant Program- Webster Road Sidewalk Project

Scott shared a biannual ODOT approved a transportation package

Scott shared a PowerPoint showing the work he has been doing. Brief overview, upcoming funding and requested a letter of support.

Planning fund for Safe Routes to School (SRTS) this is a biannual process

Scott reviewed the SRTS rules, Project proposal eligibility criteria that ODOT has put forth for the grant.

The project that Long Range planning is looking at is on SE Webster Road, which is a minor arterial roadway, parallels I-205, and runs between OR 224 at the north end and Oatfield Rd in Gladstone at the south end.

The project will consist of new sidewalk on Webster Rd on both the east and west side of the road between and tie into an existing transit route. The maximum grant project amount is \$2m and \$60k is the minimum.

Mike has had a question if private schools also involve in this? ODOT is looking more at title 1 schools but doesn't leave out private schools.

Mike asked a question about subdivision when new subdivision come in does they have to provide sidewalks? Yes, but this is a very old neighborhood and is well established.

Carol stated that there are no sidewalks, only up Johnson creek. Scott is going to relook at that to confirm.

How many kids are going to be impacted on this new sidewalks? Don't have exact counts but have notice a number of children using the bike lane when observing. The bike lane varies from 3-5' and the road has lots of vehicle traffic. Scott brought up pictures to look at the school.

Mike asked if you need to cut into people's yards and cut down trees? What does that look like? That is a possibility if trees are in the right of way. Mike Wilson has some concern with impacts to private property.

Scott brought up a map of the vicinity of Bilquist Elementary School to look at the crosswalk. Sidewalks will be a nice compliment to school zone flashers that are being installed this year. There will be three school zone flashers in the area.

Jake had a question on does the sidewalk have to be 6' for the ADA- yes, it does because it is standard.

Carol asked besides the letter what else is the TSC needing to do or be involved in?

What is the funding coming from? ODOT and then the 20% match is from the road fund.

Is there other projects? Yes, lots of projects. The TSC wants to look at the list and identify this.

Mike moved to approve, Carol second. Motion carried unanimously for the TSC letter of support.

Jim is asking to get a list of the schools in Clackamas County to look to see if they need the sidewalks. Mike suggested that the TSC should reach out to look at the SRTS program. Help advocate for them.

Monthly/YTD fatal crash update (Christian): Christian shared the YTD 9 for the year compared to 2019-2018.

Traffic volume impacts of Covid-19 shutdown (Christian)

Decrease over the previous on the regional 1, May we were down 70% we are significantly lower than previous years. Reviewed the week to week traffic volumes comparison. I-5 NB at Wilsonville. Traffic volumes are picking up week upon week now that people are traveling more.

d. Fall Traffic Safety Campaign (Rob)

Rob provided an overview of a proposed new Traffic Safety Messaging Campaign that would link safe driving behaviors to being safe during Covid19 with clear tie-ins to other county messaging. Rob will continue to keep the TSC informed along the way with this campaign.

Mike asked- how do you measure this? Rob responded by sharing how difficult it is to measure impact of a marketing campaign. We are working to build in data collection with a second NSC grant.

National safety council, fund are being used to do these marketing.

Mike, needs some things/item to tell people what the TSC has done.

Jake asked if there has been any social media, on speeding working on PGA, looking at doing geofencing.

As a response to these questions, Rob will bring a brochure to hand out to TSC members and a guideline on the role of the committee to the August meeting.

e. Radar speed sign (Christian)

Christian now has a contact at the sheriff office and pitched the locations that were on the last meeting. Christian recommended to move forward at Sunnyside location.

Sherriff offered these locations.

Johnson Creek Blvd intersections with 64th, 82 and 119th, 362nd in Sandy, 82nd Drive

TSC voted to move forward with Misty and 147th location. Mike motioned to move, Nathan second.

Redland Road radar is now being replaced with a permanent sign. The difference with the permanent and temp is the permanent is hard wired.

Clackamas County fair is cancelled- next fair is 20/21. The fair is looking at doing a drive in the yellow parking lot.

Rob showed art work of the poster coasters.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:53.