

CLACKAMAS COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES
November 1, 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:

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

Absent:

Brian Hitchcock

Staff Members:

Laura Kitts
Christian Snuffin

CALL TO ORDER: 7:01pm

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES

Approved October minutes with corrections.

CALL FOR ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS:

TSAP- advisory meeting for November 20th. Joe to send out a reminder email for this meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

CITIZEN CONCERNS:

Last month Brian Hitchcock brought up a safety concern at the intersection of Stevens Way and 92nd. Christian is looking into this issue.

Steve Adams- City of Wilsonville is pulling together the engineers of Washington and Clackamas County to review the safety of 65th, Elligsen and Stafford road. Steve Adams to schedule a meeting for the two counties and city to come together.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

October and YTD Fatal crash Summary:

Three in the month of October:

- Monte Cristo- South eastern county location, speed was the factor 2 deaths
- Head on Collision on 211, speed was the factor

As of today, there have been 23 fatal crashes in which 25 people have been killed in Clackamas County during 2017, which is still below last year's totals.

Road Safety Audit update:

Stafford Road- Christian just received information back from Kittelson and Associates. He will be bringing the draft report for the TSC to review.

Redland Road- Completed the audit for Redland road in late October. Estimated draft to be ready for review in early 2018.

Recruiting student members:

Reviewed the bylaws 2.2 section for term members. Group discussion on how long we want the term to last for high school students. Voted and unanimously agreed to move forward on revising the bylaws to reflect a 3 month term for students.

Discussed ideas of outreach to high school students:

- Reaching out to HS principals and write a letter to share interest in the group.

- Citizen news and quarterly news

- Press release similar to how we recruit current members

- World of speed

Bylaws to be updated by December to start the recruitment in January.

ODOT Traffic Safety Conference Recap:

A few members attended and enjoyed the conference. Jim attended the pedestrian class and shared a few takeaways from it which led the discussion on the law of RRFB and crosswalk safety. Chris spoke on the statute on yielding to pedestrians trying to walk at a crosswalk. Newer crosswalk signals are tailored to disabilities and are ADA compliant. Steve discussed how the ADA standards work and requirements for new and old roads.

High Friction Surface Treatments:

Steve attended a session on high friction surface treatments (HFST) at the conference. He shared what HFST is and how it provides dramatic safety benefits on the roadways. The commission reviewed an FHWA fact sheet and held an open discussion on the treatment. ODOT has started a pilot project to test HFST on a few roads in the region, including some in Clackamas County. Steve prepared a letter on behalf of the TSC in support of this treatment. The committee reviewed, edit and executed the letter to be sent to the Transportation Maintenance Division of Clackamas County.

SLOW DOWN yard sign redesign: Held a group discussion on signage and concept of yard signs. Reviewed signage handout – carol suggested “safety doesn’t hurt” and Chris suggested “slow down like your kids live here” as additional options.

UPCOMING guest speakers:

Nicole Perry to speak about the meeting in February. She is involved in Safe Routes to School program.

World of Speed discussion on thoughts and views on bringing in a world of speed guest speaker. We want to make sure that it is safety related and ensure the education safety speaker relevant to our goals.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:39pm