

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: BEND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: BEND TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SUBJECT: JANUARY 18, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

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Bend Traffic Safety Advisory Committee
Voting Members

Bend City, Public Works Director—Chair
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Bend City, Community Development
Bend City, Fire Department
Bend City, Police Department
Bend/LaPine School District
Deschutes County Road Department
Oregon Department of Transportation
Citizen Members

Nick Arnis
Thomas Stump
(Vacant)
Doug Koellermeier (Absent)
Jim Porter/Cory Darling
Denice Blake (Absent)
George Kolb (Absent)
Joel McCarroll
Harold Anderson (Absent)
Winchell M. Craig
Erik Huffman
Rex Wolf

City Staff

Cindy Hartman
Chris Carney

Engineering Technician
Police Department

Guests

Mike Lovely
Bill Brisson
Ruth Zdanowicz
Perry Graves
Sami Fournier
Bill Paghham
Casey Bergh
Jim Gattey

Citizen, SWBNA
Citizen, OFDNA
Citizen, SWNA
Citizen, MVMA
Citizen, RWNA
Citizen, CWNA
Kittelsohn & Assoc.
Citizen, CWNA

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) **Welcome & Introductions:** Chair, Nick Arnis welcomed members and guests, introductions were made. Captain Cory Darling was introduced as the group's newest staff appointment for Bend Police Department.
- 2) **Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Arnis called for approval of the November minutes. A motion was made and seconded to accept the November 2010 minutes with minor corrections, the motion passed unanimously.

3) **Public Comments:**

Sami Fournier – RWNA presented the group with the results of the bike and pedestrian counts. She thanked the volunteer group of counters made up of neighborhood association members, TSAC, and City Staff and pointed out some of the most significant findings. The results are now posted on the transportation website.

4) **Agenda Review**

None given.

5) **Update on Citizen Service Requests.**

Nick Arnis explained the process of CSR's and the challenge it has become as we have transitioned from three full time people working on them to the current staff. He also outlined the number of files that are finished vs the number of CSR's currently open. Perry Graves of the MVHA asked about the intersection of 27th & Butler, also 18th and Empire. Mr. Arnis told of the preliminary designs at each site, with funding being the reason for not moving forward. Mr. Arnis also wants staff to direct their time and efforts to the high crash areas so there are fewer resources for the remaining CSR's. Jim Gattey asked that the Neighborhood Associations have some input as to the validity of the request on the remaining CSR's. Tom Stump also voiced a call to help, he suggested that we re-form the TSAC taskforce and take a month or two to go through the remaining CSR's and see how they could be investigated by the neighborhood associations and TSAC.

Cindy Hartman noted that Robin Lewis has a brochure that might be modified to target specific neighborhoods for traffic calming, with volunteers for informal traffic and speed counts there might be a way to target neighborhoods that have multiple complaints.

It was decided to try to put the TSAC Sub-Committee back together and see if they can help with the remaining CSR's.

6) **Vehicle – Pedestrian - Safety Projects Direction**

Nick Arnis explained the concept of concentrating staff time and the small amount of funding we have on the highest priority crash sites. He noted the change in the crash rate at Mt. Washington/Simpson when Robin Lewis was allowed to focus her time and efforts on studying the site and crafting a change. The hard cost of the improvement was around \$5,000 but it has created a huge benefit to the community. He would like to see this happen whenever a small concentrated effort can be used to improve or create an interim fix for the highest crash locations.

Rex Wolf asked how the required ADA improvements effect the SDC situation and our own budget. Casey Burgh asked how do we determine what goes on the list, the TSP or the SDC revenues. Mr. Arnis explained that City Council determines what goes off the list. The council will be going on an intensive retreat to determine funding for Maintenance and Essential Services. He would like to see this department independent of general fund money.

7) Citizen Service Requests from TSAC

Transportation Staff will update the committee on the status of:

In Progress

- Parrell Road disappearing bike lane – work order issued
- Mt Washington signs for No Parking – Work order has been issued for additional signs.
- Metolious Road signage – Will be done at time of project
- Rumble stripes at Mt Washington & Simpson – Will be reinstalled
- Delineators missing at Neff and 27th median – work order issued

Items for next month agenda

- **CSR discussion**
- **Budget update**

Adjourn 9:10 AM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 15, 2011, 8:00 am, City Hall Council Chambers.