

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: **BEND CITY COUNCIL**
FROM: **BEND TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
SUBJECT: **MARCH 15, 2011 MEETING MINUTES**

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Bend Traffic Safety Advisory Committee
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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
Cory Darling
Denice Blake
George Kolb (Absent)
Dan Serpico
Harold Anderson (Absent)
Winchell M. Craig
Erik Huffman
Rex Wolf

City Staff

Cindy Hartman
Chris Carney

Engineering Technician
Police Department

Guests

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

Citizen, OFDNA
Citizen, SWNA
Citizen, RWNA
Citizen, SBNA
Citizen, CWNA
Citizen, Kittelson
Citizen, MVNA

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1) **Welcome & Introductions:** Chair, Nick Arnis welcomed members and guests, introductions were made.
- 2) **Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Arnis asked the members for approval of the January, 2011 Minutes and the notes from the February meeting. Members voted to approve the minutes and notes as written.
- 3) **Agenda Review:** No additions given.
- 4) **Public Comments:**

Mike Lovely – SBNA wants to comment on the recent request for a cross walk on Brookwood at Amber Meadow. He would like to see two cross walks, one on each side of the intersection but will settle for at least one. There is increasing pedestrian traffic there with the store and a bus stop as well. Nick noted that we will take a look at it, it might need some data collection of pedestrian counts and speed information.

Ruth Zdanowicz – SWNA wanted the group to be aware of the increasing number of and attendance to events in NW Crossing. With bike racing, both spring and fall festivals and other such events the parking situation is getting out of hand. What can the neighbors do to help with the event parking situation? Mr. Arnis suggested that she talk to Steve Esselstyn he writes the event permits and can help with the parking much like he does around Drake Park, Officer Darling will help coordinate with Steve.

5) **Update on Citizen Service Requests (CSRs)**

Mr. Arnis explained the list of types of CSR's and how each group can be handled. The CSRs that involve speeding on local streets are the ones that can best be handled by TSAC. For instance Shevlin Meadows off of Shevlin Park Road, is one that has no speed studies and lots of complaints for speeding. Not to mention there are only a couple of ingress and egress points so we know that the people speeding live in the subdivision. Here we could do some TSAC counts and work with the neighborhood association to create an education campaign.

He also noted that a lot of the data base entries had been studied and a decision made but the file had not been officially closed.

6) **Information Items**

Galveston Improvement Taskforce - Nick Arnis.

Mr. Arnis told the membership about the grass roots citizen and staff group that has been meeting to come up with some ideas for the Galveston Corridor. At a design workshop they will create the first stages of a design concept that Mr. Arnis will take to the City Council.

TSAC Annual Report

Mr. Arnis also asked the TSAC Members for input to the TSAC Annual report. Mr. Stump asked if that report was used to form the GO Bond list.

General Obligation Bonds – Nick Arnis

Mr. Arnis explained that the proposed General Obligation Bond list was primarily from the TSAC list and also geographic distribution was taken into consideration. Projects that had at least some preliminary design were favored. At this time the list of projects include Reed Market Corridor without the rail crossing, roundabouts at

Brookwood & Powers and 18th & Empire and other projects. Rex Wolf asked if the money could be used to improve the condition of the streets, Mr. Arnis explained that Bonds could not be used for maintenance, unless the street would be fully reconstructed it would not qualify.

Project updates:

12th & Greenwood pedestrian crossing is scheduled to start construction soon.

Pedestrian signals on Parkway at Reed Lane, Powers, & Badger have been started.

Dagget Lane a safe routes to school project will be started this spring.

Riverside Bike/Ped Grant can't start until July, Ms Lewis is looking into permanent counters there that employ some new technology for more accurate counts of bikes and pedestrians.

Perry Graves of Mountian View Neighborhood Association asked what could be done about first snow and now gravel on the sidewalks. Especially in areas where the lots are not built out and there is no one to maintain the sidewalks. Nick Arnis suggested we talk to the volunteer coordinator for help in the more populated areas. Mr. Arnis will talk to Hardy Hanson Street Supervisor for help on the more dangerous areas like bridges.

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 waiting for warm weather
- Metolius Road signage – Will be done at time of project

Completed

- Mt Washington signs for No Parking – Work order has been issued for additional signs – Signs installed

Items for next month agenda

Traffic Studies with Volunteers from police and TSAC

Robin Lewis on permanent Bike/Ped counters

Adjourn 9:15 AM

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 17, 2011, 8:00 am, City Hall Council Chambers.