

## City of Canby

### Traffic Safety Commission

Minutes of the meeting of May 2, 2016

**Commission members present:** Bob Backstrom; Mariluz Stearns; Barbara Rodgers; Curt Ahlschlager; Dick Templeman

**City members present:** Clint Coleman, City Council; Traci Hensley, City Council; Mark Gunter, Public Works Director; Nolan Booth, Canby Police

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the April 2016 meeting were unanimously approved. Rogers (1) Templeman (2)

**Birch Street Traffic Calming:** Councilwoman Hensley reported that instead of a stand-alone community meeting to discuss the planned traffic calming humps on N. Birch St., this issue will be discussed as part of the City Council meeting on May 18. A notice of the discussion will be distributed to residents of the neighborhood and be placed in the Canby Herald.

**Township Speed Limit:** Public Works contacted ODOT to determine the status of the Township speed reduction request and learned that ODOT had lost the request. ODOT promised they will expedite a response.

**4-Way Stop at 10<sup>th</sup> and N. Ivy:** The Commission's recommendation to make the intersection of 10<sup>th</sup> and N. Ivy a four-way stop has been approved. Mark said the new signage should be installed at the intersection within 2 weeks.

**Flashing Crosswalk signs:** Mark reported that the City would be able to tap a federal community development block grant to partly cover the costs of four new flashing crosswalk signs that will be installed this summer. The signs are scheduled to be placed at the intersections of N. Cedar and 5<sup>th</sup>, N. Elm and 2<sup>nd</sup>, Pine and Township and another in the vicinity of Eccles Elementary school.

**Speed Hump on W. Territorial:** Bob reported that a resident on Territorial near Birch St. has requested a speed bump be installed on Territorial near his home during the upcoming sewer and sidewalk construction scheduled for this area. The resident has offered to donate up to \$2000 to accommodate the project. The resident will soon be turning his home over to a family member with small children and he is concerned with the volume and speed of traffic in the area.

Templeman moved that the Commission recommend that the City consider this request and the motion passed unanimously. Dick (1) Curt (2)

**Truck Traffic and Loud Mufflers:** Bob asked Officer Booth if more could be done to prevent large truck traffic in residential areas, particularly on streets with signage saying "No Trucks". Booth indicated that if spotted by a police officer, the driver will likely be cited, but if a citizen reported an incident and provided a license plate number no action will be taken after the fact.

Bob asked if motorists were ever cited for their obnoxiously loud mufflers. Booth said that the mufflers were not illegal and Bob pointed out that the City did have a noise ordinance and that most likely the racket from some of these vehicles exceeded the allowable noise levels. Booth responded that he had no way to measure those levels and even if he did, he would have no probable cause to do so.

**Goals, Objectives, Priorities:** Bob asked Commission members to give some thought to upcoming objectives and priorities for discussion at the June TSC meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Templeman  
Secretary