

Canby Traffic Safety Commission Amended Meeting Minutes
November 9th, 2022
Hybrid meeting

Commission Members Present: Bob Cambra, Clint Coleman, DeAnna Ball-Karb, Jackie Jones, Gary Bryant, Jennifer Driskill

City Members Present: Traci Hensley, Officer Miller, Spencer Pollack

Others Present: Elan Langridge, Dan and Pat Ewerts, Robert Bittner, Lonna Bollinger

Meeting Called to Order: 8:30 am

Introductions:

Review and Approval of Minutes from October 12, 2022

Motion made by Clint Coleman and seconded by DeAnna Ball to approve the minutes.

Citizen Input:

Citizen Elan L

Review of Old Business

- They discussed concerns regarding speeding on N Maple, especially at the intersection of 21st and Territorial. The speed trailer has been used in the past.
- A new church on this street will add to the traffic issues. DeAnna Ball can check with the pastor about a possible solution.
- She would like signage that shows slow golf carts, animals, and pedestrians. People have been hurt in the past.
- A walking path has been completed at another section and has helped with the walking issues.
- A possible temporary solution is to fix the signage. Allison from the country club says they can help pay for signage. This option will need to be done in coordination with Spencer from public works to find the appropriate sign and placement.
- Eric V motioned to accept this signage as a temporary solution and was seconded by Clint.
- This issue will be added to next month's agenda and should be added to the list of improvements list (CIP). The CIP is flexible.
- DeAnna mentioned the traffic study stated no impact on the area, which is why there is no money from the new development.
- See the attachment with pictures and more detailed information on the concerns on N Maple that Elan brought in.

Citizen Elan L.

- A signed request was asked for and approved by the traffic commission and public works for a sign that shows pictures of a golf cart, pets, and pedestrians. Public works will work with the Country Club as they have agreed to pay for two signs. Per public works, the signs will need to be 7ft high to the bottom and just 4ft off the road.

Old Business Resolved

Citizen Mark T

Review of Old Business

- See the Letter from Mark T on his traffic safety wishes.
- Citizen Mark T is asking us to look at the traffic on Terrorital regarding being able to walk across the street at N Maple and Terrorital safely. He stated that he was recently walking his dog, and over 20 cars and three semi-trucks passed the crosswalk where he was trying to get across, and no one stopped.
- There is no issue crossing at Holly and Terrorital as there is a four-way stop. He is requested that we put in a four-way Stop at Maple and Terrorital. If a four-way stop can not be done, then he asks at least flashing lights be added to alert drivers of the crosswalk.
- Please see the attachment for detailed information regarding this citizen concern.

Not Resolved

Citizen Mark T

- A legal ADA for the sidewalk will need to be in place before we can have the crosswalk painted.
- Clint suggested we make sure a well-designed crosswalk is looked at first before we paint one. Clint said he would research and will present his findings next month.
- Bob stated Terrorital is busy due to the new housing, increased traffic, and the challenges of having few crosswalks on Terrorital.
- Bob motioned that we wait to see what public works and Clint say about the crosswalk situation at that intersection. This issue may not have to go on the CIP list. This motion was approved.
- Clint motioned that we review N Maple after the recommendation of the ADA and crosswalk where public works recommend. This motion was approved.

New Business

Citizens Dan and Pat

- Stated our community is critical to the planning commission appreciated. Dan is here speaking as a citizen regarding N/NW Baker and NW 6th. There are concerns that traffic has to take a Right turn onto a one-way and then right away do a 90-degree turn then down to the industrial area.
- Employees from the industrial area sometimes go wrong on Baker or speed on this street section. The trips for this trip are more than once a day. The traffic count is approximately 1,000 trips a day.
- The area of N/NW Baker and NW 6th has a speeding concern since some landscaping was removed in front of a house. Before the landscaping, a tree was in the area and did a natural slowing of traffic. Years ago, it was thought a curb bump out may help.
- A significant issue is that GPS routes trucks down this road, and they get stuck and mess up traffic.
- Citizens think traffic humps may work, or they want to know the traffic commission suggestions. The question was asked how the police feel about speed humps and stop signs. Needs some mitigation.

- Jennifer D asked citizens would something on each street or something in the middle of the road slow traffic down. Both would be good for slowing traffic.
- Public works reminded everyone that speeding humps are already there on N Baker. We could add another if it shows that it is working and if citizens feel they are performing.
- Children at this NW 6th go to Eccles grade school, and the concern is it is a blind corner for vehicles, skateboards, and bicycles.
- Bob asked where the citizen thought the stop sign should go. This will need mitigation. One way starts on N Baker and 6th and has a lot of pedestrians and vehicular traffic. The candle sticks are helping some, but the answer is.
- The radar trailer was requested, and Canby police will add it to the list.
- Canby police would like to know what time of day these issues of speeding are happening. Are they happening early in the morning or when employees are off shift for the day?
- Public works can also set up a hidden radar to get an unbiased review of traffic speeding and traffic counts in this area. A concern from citizens is if we do a traffic hidden radar do it when school is in session. The traffic commission was encouraged to go visit the area.
- Gary commission member brought up that in the Spring and Summer of 2023, Knights Bridge road will be closed for earthquake updates. This may seem to route traffic through N Baker and 6th.

This is Not Resolved

Citizen Robert Bittner

New Business

- Concern regarding 99E and Redwood which is Sequoia on the side of the highway. The problem is regarding pedestrian safety when crossing 99E, as vehicles are running the light at this intersection.
- Concerned regarding safety while bike riding in and around Canby, especially at the intersections of Aspen, Knights Bridge, N Pine, and Terroritorial; this is due to excessive and consistent speeding. Concerned that someone a fatality will happen eventually without safety improvements or more enforcement.
- We need to redirect resources to traffic enforcement as this will change behavior for a while. Bob mentioned Redflex to citizens and that this could address part of his concern if approved by the council and legislators. Jennifer notes that people do just blatantly run red lights in our town. Redflex, in 2017, analyzed our lights through town, and it showed that concern about red light runners is warranted.

This is not resolved

Citizen Lonna

Old Business

- Lonna came to say thank you for our help regarding Pine and Terroritorial. Public works painted yellow lines on the curb by the road and in front of a fire hydrant.

Old Business Resolved

Old Business for Commission

CIP Budget

- Bob streets that border the fairgrounds need to be put in sidewalks.

- N 10th linkage to Maple Street needs sidewalks. N Maple was previously a county road and is now the City's responsibility.
- We all need to think of severe areas in town and add them to our list
- 14th to the country club has no sidewalks, and cars drive too fast. Clint stated we should take county roads within Canby when we are able.
- Jennifer stated that planning has not looked at any housing development correctly. This is obvious from concerns about previous actions and traffic issues. The traffic studies never have an accurate picture of the real traffic issues that will occur.
- Bob states to come to the next meeting with your prioritized CIP list.

Old Business not Resolved

Knights Bridge Road Closure

- Public works will see when we can have the guy from Clackamas County come back and give a timeline, as this project also will be happening at the same time ODOT is doing work on 99E. Work on S Ivy will also be happening at some point in the future.
- Public works, traffic commission, and city officials will all need to meet to figure out how to mitigate the traffic issues and concerns that will happen with all construction at once.
- Bob will talk with the City and police and see what their thoughts are on a plan to get traffic through and around the City during this time.
- We will need multiple ways to get messages out about traffic impacts
- A discussion will also be happening with the railroad, as they should know of traffic mitigation issues.

Old Business not Resolved

Speed data/Red Flex

- Bob sent out a write-up regarding the need to move on this issue of Red Flex because it's time. To use Red Flex within the City, we have to get legislative and city council approval. Civil servants can make determinations, and Officer Miller was asked what his thoughts were on how the police chief and other officers would feel about this. Have a discussion about if they like the system. Do they like it versus the implementation? It is a resource, and funding would be needed and should go to the citizens to approve of this measure.
- Clint made a motion to recommend that a presentation be made to the police chief regarding Red Flex along with Bob. This was seconded by Jennifer.
- Officer Allen stated that the police were going to body cameras. A lot of police departments have civil servants to oversee red flex tickets, and overtime would occur if an officer had to do it. With the use of body cameras, juveniles, a redacted, and no jury can see either. Some things cannot be shown to the public. Funding for more police officers is, of course, a wish list item.

Old Business not Resolved

Staff Reports

Officer Miller Canby Police

- See the Canby Police report
- Officer Miller stated speeding around school zones is a constant issue, especially around Baker Prairie and Lee schools.

- Police Chief said a study of the county showed Canby had the lowest crash rates in the county.
- Jackie and DeAnna are concerned about high school kids jaywalking during lunch hour and at other times. Officer Miller will see about talking about this at an assembly at the high school or talk with the resource officer.

Planning Commission- No Report

Public Works

Spencer

- It was discussed how construction on Knights Bridge, 99E, and S Ivy would be happening simultaneously.
This will be a two-year project
- Locust will have sewer and sidewalks going in
- The four-way stop at Redwood and Terrortial is almost done

City Council Liaison

Traci Hensley

- December 2 is the tree lighting at the corner of Ebner's. A question was asked if we could barricade the intersection of 3rd and Grant for safety.

Commissioner Reports

DeAnna Ball

- Berg/SW 13th at 99e on the lane near Starbucks had one lane that was flooded. The leaves probably were flooding the drain—a reminder from public works not to blow the leaves into the street. There will be an all-day leave drop on December 3 at public works.
- Jennifer asked if we could require cars to park elsewhere at one time to get the roads swept. This is difficult as we can't always predict when we for sure can sweep.

Gary

- N Elm had the sidewalk blocked by Canby Rental. This is at 2nd and Elm and by the yellow curb.
- Gary to bring this up at the next meeting.
- Gas company moves pipes and does day work. Hoping to be finished in December is what he heard.

Jennifer

- Jennifer asked if the concrete dividers had to stay that was near the railroad tracks. The concern is that she has seen some trucks have difficulty turning at different intersections in town. These concrete dividers have to stay due to the quiet zone for the railroad.

Bob

- Mentioned a news article regarding cities suing over parking. The planning commissioner Don H. talked and clarified that the state rules would not affect Canby at this time. The concern was raised over the parking issues we have in our town already.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 8:30 am. This meeting will be held by Zoom and at the Public Works building.

The meeting adjourned at 10 am