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Minutes
Meeting of the Twin Falls Traffic Safety Commission
January 12, 2017
City Council Chambers
305 3rd Avenue East Twin Falls, Idaho

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:
CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA to be added to Items for Consideration:

4. Discussion on concerns of intersection of Buchanan Street and Fairway Drive presented by Michael Sullivan and/or Sergeant Ryan Howe
5. Discussion on concerns of the two intersections of Princeton Drive and Locust Street North presented by Michael Sullivan and/or Sergeant Ryan Howe
6. Joss Grandeau would like to discuss signal timing on Pole Line Road, Grandview Drive, and Park View Drive.

AGENDA ITEMS	Purpose	By:
I. <u>CONSENT CALENDAR:</u> 1. Consideration of the Minutes for December 8, 2016		Randall Watson
II. <u>ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:</u> 1. Progress report on obtaining volunteers to serve on Commission 2. Crossing concerns for new Middle School a. Round table sessions scheduled? b. Safety Features and Hazards of the area 3. Request for lowered speed limit in Rock Creek Elementary area.	Discussion Discussion Discussion	Nikki Boyd Jackie Fields Ms. Lisa Brown
III. <u>PUBLIC HEARINGS</u>	None	
IV. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>		

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Randall Watson, Brady Dickinson, Ted Warren and Dennis Magill

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Sergeant Ryan Howe, Michael Sullivan, Jackie Fields (late arrival), and Recording Secretary Kathy Minard

STAFF ABSENT: Nikki Boyd and Captain Matthew Hicks

Commission Chairman Randall Watson called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

All Commission members were present.

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MOTION: Commissioner Brady Dickinson made the motion to include all the three items to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ted Warren, and all Commission Members agreed.

AGENDA ITEMS:

I. CONSENT OF CALENDAR:

Consideration of the Minutes for December 8, 2016.

MOTION: Commissioner Dennis Magill made the motion to approve the Minutes for December 8, 2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ted Warren, and all Commission Members agreed.

II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

Chairman Watson noted the absence of Nikki Boyd and Jackie Fields needed for Items 1 through 3 and directed the Commission to Item 4.

4. Discussion on concerns of intersection of Buchanan Street and Fairway Drive presented by Michael Sullivan and/or Sergeant Ryan Howe.

Mr. Sullivan explained that there is an odd configuration at the intersection with no history of accidents. Sgt. Howe explained that Fairway ends at Buchanan, therefore, Buchanan has the right-of-way. Commissioner Dickinson reviewed the area through Google Earth. According to the code, it is a “known” yield on Fairway, and neither Mr. Sullivan nor Sgt. Howe believe there is a need for additional signage.

MOTION: Commissioner Ted Warren moved that yield signage not be installed at the intersection as the code is clear. Commissioner Dennis Magill seconded, and the motion was approved.

5. Discussion on concerns of the two intersections of Princeton Drive and Locust Street North presented by Michael Sullivan and/or Sgt. Ryan Howe.

Sgt. Ryan felt this item was also covered by code. Princeton is a U-shaped street, and the traffic on Locust North has been blocking the intersections. Commissioner Dickinson also reviewed this location and felt that signage would be unnecessary. Mr. Sullivan believes that timing changes at the signal should resolve the issue. No study would be needed. Mr. Sullivan will reply to the email. Ms. Fields was able to join the meeting during this discussion, and noted that only a general indicator of approval from the Commission on how Staff is resolving this issue is needed. Mr. Sullivan will report back next month.

2. Crossing concerns for new Middle School.

Ms. Fields led discussion on any observations or concerns regarding this area. Commissioner Dickinson has driven the area and is concerned about the foot traffic crossing 3600 N. Ms. Fields recommends a Round Table discussion with plan reviews and then a field trip to the area in March. Sgt. Howe has a concern about dropping the speed limit on 3600 N to at least Harrison South. It was also noted that this is a truck route with large farm trucks and semi-trucks. Commissioner Warren asked if it would be possible to have a volume study completed prior to the round table discussion and field trip. Ms. Fields stated that it may be possible dependent upon the weather. Commissioner Dickinson also noted that the time of year will impact the volume when farms are harvesting. Sgt Howe also mentioned that the commercial trucking has become prevalent in this area. The following will be invited to join the Round Table discussion: the School District (Commissioner Dickinson said that a principal has already been assigned and should be available.); members of the Traffic Safety Commission; the Twin Falls County Highway District; the Police Department School Resource Officer; and someone from Public Works. Commissioner Warren also requested maps be provided at the discussion, and Ms. Fields agreed.

3. Request for lowered speed limit in Rock Creek Elementary area.

Ms. Fields provided an update stating that she and Mr. Sullivan need to research established school zone standards, and she will then start conversations with Ms. Brown. This item will be tabled until the February meeting.

1. Progress report on obtaining volunteers to serve on Commission

Tabled until February meeting when Ms. Boyd is available.

6. Joss Grandeau would like to discuss signal timing on Pole Line Road, Grandview Drive, and Park View Drive.

Mr. Grandeau states that the signals on Pole Line Road, Grandview Drive, and Park View Drive are not motorcycle friendly. He also mentions the intersection of Addison Avenue and Elm Street but referred to it as Addison and Locust. From his description of the location of Albertson's and Wells Fargo, it was determined that he meant Addison and Elm. The signal at this intersection is also not motorcycle friendly.

Mr. Sullivan will adjust zones. Mr. Grandeau mentioned other signal problems, i.e.: Addison and Locust: Sgt. Howe and Mr. Sullivan explained that at this intersection, the protected left turn indications (green arrows) have been omitted, and the left turn lanes will only display the permissive left turn indication (green ball) when applicable.; Blue Lakes North at the Sizzler Restaurant; Blue Lakes North and Heyburn needs a left turn signal (New construction on SE corner may provide protective permissive signal heads); barriers on Blue Lakes North; the area between Java/ColorTyme and Albertsons and turning off of southbound Blue Lakes; appreciates the countdown screen time on “ped heads” but would like to have the orange light adjusted to be a couple of seconds more; intersection of Canyon Springs Road and Fillmore needs a four-way stop; manhole covers need raised; and questioned about the abandoned road behind Albertson’s. The Commission members and staff all thanked Mr. Grandeau for his interest and encouraged him to consider joining the Commission. Mr. Sullivan will look into the signal issues. Ms. Fields presented the history and complications of the Canyon Springs Road and Fillmore intersection. She will follow-up and bring more information at a later date.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

IV. ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Warren moved to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Dickinson seconded the motion, and all members approved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Kathy Minard
Recording Secretary