



Twin Falls Traffic Safety Commission Minutes

Thursday, February 8, 2018, 9:00 AM

City Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

Commissioners: Randall Watson, Chair; Dennis Magill, Ted Warren, Brenda Hughes, Ken Weismore Sr., John Kapeleris, Ryan Bowman

Ex officio: Jackie Fields, City Engineer; Craig Kingsbury, Chief of Police; Ryan Howe, Sergeant Traffic Unit; Jesse Schuerman, Staff Engineer; and Nikki Boyd, City Council Liaison

1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

Commission Chair Randall Watson called the meeting to order at 09:05 AM

A quorum consisting of Commissioners Hughes, Kapeleris, Bowman, Warren, Weismore, and Watson was present. Staff members present were: Robin Hite, Traffic Tech, Jesse Schuerman, Staff Engineer, Troy Vitek, Staff Engineer, and Sergeant Ryan Howe.

2) Consideration of Amendments to the Agenda

None

3) Consent Calendar

a) Approval of January 11, 2018 meeting Minutes

MOTION: John Kapeleris moved to approve the January 22, 2018 meeting minutes. Ted Warren seconded the motion. All members present approved.

4) Items of Consideration

a) Discussion on whether the Commission should pursue review of the separation of curbs and sidewalks on all residential sidewalks as a substantial safety issue.

Discussion ensued on the following:

City Staff Engineer Troy Vitek presented several scenarios in regards to whether a substantial safety issue existed based upon the separation of curbs and sidewalks on all residential sidewalks. The Commissioners felt the standard practice of the Engineering Department was satisfactory at this time and did not believe any action was necessary at this time.

- b) Discussion on updating of City Code to define the purpose of the Traffic Safety Commission now and in the future. Chairman Randall Watson requested that all Commissioners put their ideas/suggestions in written and bullet form for presentation.

The Commissioners reviewed the current City Code 2-5-2: Traffic Safety Commission Duties and Purposes. Discussion was led by Commissioner Kapeleris to update the language of the code, and the Commissioners provided their input. Sergeant Howe clarified Captain Matt Hicks' goals in the purpose of this Commission. It was determined that the updated language should be kept quite broad to avoid restricting the Commission. Staff Engineer Vitek will present the following bullet points to the City Attorney Fritz Wonderlich for his review and recommendations:

- Review traffic safety issues of all modes of transportation;
- Review traffic coordination and connectivity issues;
- Provide Traffic Master Plan input;
- Be advisory to the City Engineer;
- Review plans as requested by other departments;
- Recommend plans or studies; and
- Provide a public forum on traffic safety and mediate conflicts by citizens and other government bodies.

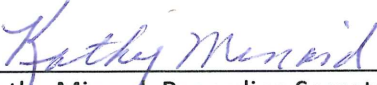
The Commissioners will review Mr. Wonderlich's opinion before proceeding.

5) Public Hearings - Published Start Time

- a) None

6) Adjournment

MOTION: John Kapeleris moved to adjourn. Ted Warren seconded the motion. All members present approved. The meeting adjourned at 09:55: AM.



Kathy Minard, Recording Secretary