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Minutes

Meeting of the Twin Falls Traffic Safety Commission

September 11,2014

City Council Chambers

305 3rd Avenue East Twin Falls, Idaho

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 9:15 A.M.

AGENDA ITEMS	Purpose	By:
I. CONSENT CALENDAR: 1. Consideration of the Minutes for August 14,2014		
II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION: 1. Update on Traffic Safety Commission opening. 2. Discussion on future Traffic Safety Commission efforts.	Discussion Discussion	Captain Matt Hicks Captain Matt Hicks
III. PUBLIC HEARINGS		
IV. ADJOURNMENT 9:32 A.M.		

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:	Paul Duty, Dennis Magill, and Ted Warren
COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:	Brady Dickinson, Randall Watson, and Dave Benefiel
STAFF PRESENT:	Captain Matt Hicks, Sergeant Ryan Howe, Staff Sergeant Fustos, Traffic Engineering Tech Mike Sullivan, and Recording City Secretary Tina Kelley
STAFF ABSENT:	City Councilman Greg Lanting

Captain Matt Hicks started the meeting at 9:15 a.m. A quorum was not present so no decisions were able to be made.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

II. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Update on Traffic Safety Commission opening.

   Captain Hicks advised Human Resources should be announcing the open position on the Traffic Safety Commissions board with in a couple weeks. He also discussed a term is for 3 years and a member may not serve more than two 3 year terms.

2. Discussion on future Traffic Safety commission efforts.

   Captain Hicks put together a report showing the number of crashes statewide from 2009 through 2013. The report also tracks the crashes by county. It shows in Twin Falls County the total number crashes have dropped from 2011 to 2013. There is also a break down by population. The table shows fatal, injury and total crashes for Idaho cities with populations over 2,000 for 2011-2013 by population groupings. This is also showing a decrease in total crashes from 2011 to 2013.

   The report also includes the most common contributing circumstances in crashes. Inattention or distraction is showing the highest among injury crashes and all crashes. It shows Alcohol and drug involvement the highest among Fatal crashes.

   There is a chart for impaired driving from 2009 to 2013. That chart also shows crashes where a sober driver collided with an impaired pedestrian or bicyclist, are also included. In 2013, impaired driving crashes decreased by 2% and fatalities from impaired driving crashes have increased by 32%. There is an impaired driving chart that is broke down by Counties and cities.

There is a chart that shows the observed shoulder harness seat belt used by counties. It shows a 1.9% increase in the use of harness seat belts from 2009 to 2013.

Captain Hicks also included a chart involving bicyclists involved crashes. The percentage of bicyclists involved in crashes that were wearing helmets continues to remain very low at 24%. Captain Hicks advised there are a couple bicycle groups in town. The groups approached the Chief saying the think Twin Falls has a lot of work to do for providing safety for bicyclist. Whether it is to provide safety education, bike lanes, this may be something the Commission could look into.

Captain Hicks introduce Staff Sergeant Fustos who will be replacing Sergeant Ryan Howe as the new Traffic Sergeant.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

III. PUBLIC INPUT/QUESTIONS:

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

V. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 9:32 am.

Tina Kelley
Recording Secretary