

MINUTES

CITY OF GROVER BEACH TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

April 14, 2016

9:30 a.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

ATTENDANCE: Police Chief John Peters, Fire Chief Steve Lieberman, Community Development Director Bruce Buckingham, Public Works Director/City Engineer, Greg Ray and Citizen Representative Mike Wilson.

ABSENT: None.

Chief Peters called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. Roll Call was then taken.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: No comments at this time. Comments were taken prior to Item No. 2 of the Agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) **Approval of Minutes** - Chief Peters asked if all present had read the minutes for January 14, 2016 meeting. Bruce Buckingham made a motion that the minutes be approved. Mike Wilson seconded the motion. Fire Chief Lieberman abstained as he was not at the January meeting. All others present were in favor of approval of the Minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Corner of Rebecca Street and Anita Street

Citizen is requesting a short red zone at this intersection. Citizen states that there is a potential hazard when a car parks on this corner. This is a very blind corner when there are cars parked immediately as you turn the corner. When there is a car parked right on the corner it has almost been hit several times.

This item was discussed by the Traffic Committee. Greg Ray went over the City standard. Mike Wilson suggested that the homeowner be contacted and a suggestion be made that the bush that is blocking vision be moved. Chief Peters will follow-up on this with Public Works and the sight angle.

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2) South 16th Street Traffic Calming Measures

There have been multiple citizen requests for calming measures to be added to 16th Street.

- A) Turn Farroll Road and 16th Street into a 4-way stop intersection with a crosswalk across Farroll Road.
- B) Request of a stop sign to be placed at the southeast corner of 16th Street and Baden Avenue.
- C) Request of a stop sign for both north and south traffic at 16th Street and Seabright Avenue.
- D) Request installation of 25 m.p.h. speed limit sign along 16th Street for both north and south traffic.
- E) Request of a bicycle lane for both north and south traffic lanes of 16th Street.
- F) Resident at 1216 South 16th Street is requesting a red zone to be added to the curb at the crown of the hill to help with visibility of residents pulling out of their driveways.

This item was discussed at length. There was Public Comment by Rich Gonzales, Candia Katich, Bob Swor, Joseph Doss and Wayne Emery. Chief Peters closed the Public Comment.

The Traffic Committee discussed each issue at length. Mike Wilson asked about the initial study regarding the impact of building the housing tracts in this area. Bruce Buckingham said that he would be interested in going back and looking at this street and the impact study that was done. It was agreed that the speed trailer should be put out in this area and gather data from the trailer to submit to City Council. Chief Peters would make a recommendation to have a warrant study done for these multiple issues. Greg Ray said that we cannot just randomly put up a stop sign in any area as it could lead to liability for the City. Greg Ray explained to the public what the stop signs are

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actually for. Fire Chief Lieberman added his input regarding each agenda item. Fire Chief Lieberman supports taking the matter to City Council.

Fire Chief Lieberman made the following motion regarding New Business Agenda Item No. 2:

The Traffic Committee supports further analysis of Items A, B and C. Police Chief Peters and Fire Chief Lieberman have strong opinions regarding Item A but understand that it would have a warrant study. It is recommended that the installation of the 25 mph speed limit signs pertaining to Item No. D should be done Greg Ray seconds the motion. All present were in favor.

Regarding Items E. and F. Greg Ray makes a motion that these items be denied. Fire Chief Lieberman seconded this motion. All present were in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
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John Peters, Chief of Police