

MINUTES

CITY OF GROVER BEACH TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

October 13, 2016

10:00 a.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

ATTENDANCE: Police Chief John Peters, Community Development Director Bruce Buckingham, Public Works Director/City Engineer, Greg Ray, and Citizen Representative Mike Wilson. Also present were City Manager Matt Bronson, Citizen Susan Gates and Citizen Doris Bouadjemi.

ABSENT: Fire Chief Steve Lieberman

Chief Peters called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Roll Call was then taken.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: Chief Peters opened the meeting up for discussion by the citizens that were present. Susan Gates was there to discuss the possible traffic calming in the City of Grover Beach. She lives at 4th Street and Grand Avenue and she sees numerous people running lights and is looking for solutions for pedestrians. The Public Comments were then closed.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Approval of Minutes - Chief Peters asked if all present had read the minutes for April 14, 2016 meeting. Mike Wilson made a motion that the minutes be approved. Bruce Buckingham seconded the motion. All others present were in favor of approval of the Minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

1) 1182 Atlantic City Avenue

Citizen is requesting a red curb be painted here. Citizen feels this curb needs to be painted red as it is unsafe for school children.

This item was discussed by the Traffic Committee. Chief Peters went to 1182 Atlantic City Avenue. He does not feel that a red curb is warranted. He talked to the property owner and renter about the shrubbery. They will trim and clean up this shrubbery this week. Other members of the committee discussed this area. The Traffic Committee is making a recommendation that no red curb be painted here. Greg Ray made a motion to deny the red curb request and Mike Wilson seconded the motion. All present were in favor.

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2) Discussion: Pedestrian Safety and Traffic Calming Measures

Chief Peters spoke and brought up that a study for stop lights can only be used in those are warranted. Speed bumps will not work in the City of Grover Beach. The police department is committed to trying to do more for the traffic and safety aspect. There is no funding for an officer to be assigned to certain streets. As far as revenue for the City of Grover Beach when writing tickets the City does not see much monies from tickets as it goes to the State and County. The Police Department is trying to bring back the motor position in the future which will eventually lead to a motorcycle officer on the streets of Grover Beach.

Mike Wilson asked some questions of Greg Ray.

Bruce Buckingham noted some traffic calming measures. Future medians from 4th Street to 8th Street.

Greg Ray spoke in length about possible situations with many of the streets in Grover Beach. These studies are still in the process and the hope is to bring the information to City Council after the first of the year in 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
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