

Traffic Safety Meeting

November 15, 2005

Committee Members Present: Chris Mann, Randy Lewis, Craig Nordfelt, Lisa Navarro, Jodi Weimer, John Millar, Randy Reese, and Frank Hadry.

Frank Hadry moved to approve last month's minutes.

Lisa Navarro seconded it.

All approved.

Reports:

Police:

Randy Lewis reported an accident on 3rd S 2nd W. Other than that, it has been pretty good. There are still some who are having troubles with the roundabout. There are people passing within the roundabout and failure to yield. They had 5 accidents total. They are very minor; accidents before roundabout were very serious.

Old Business:

Removable Speed Bump Locations

Craig Nordfelt asked the committee members to be thinking about good locations to place speed bumps in the spring.

Crosswalk 7th S 1st W – Enforcement

Craig Nordfelt had 2 different people say they love the crosswalk, but they can't use it because cars won't stop. They would like police enforcement and crossing flags.

Frank Hadry suggested lowering the speed limit in that area might help.

Randy Reese mentioned that street lights are not turning on properly.

John Millar said they are currently looking at them.

New Business:

Present at the meeting was a concerned citizen Boyd Hall.

Boyd Hall had a list of concerns the first being 12th West Hwy 33. He wanted to know what the state has planned. He understood that was supposed to be 5 lanes.

John Millar stated that he asked the state to do that, but they do what they want. It came down to cost.

Boyd Hall asked about the radius and widths for drive ways in the Valley Wide Subdivision. Semi-trucks block Hwy 33 as they enter to go to Valley Wide Co-op (Valley Wide sells trip permits, and it is advertised on Hwy 33 & 20).

John Millar stated that all streets in the business park are private, but they mad them meet city design standards. Sidewalks are going to be put in probably by businesses.

Boyd Hall next asked about parking on streets behind Rexburg Motor Sports.

John Millar asked if Randy Lewis could check to see if that has been signed No Parking.

Boyd Hall would like the speed limit on 12th W between 7th S and University Blvd lowered from 50 mph to 35 mph.

John Millar stated that he would ask the county if that could be done.

Boyd Hall also asked about street lighting on Willowbrook onto 12th W.

John Millar said they would look at it.

Boyd Hall asked about gutters and drains on 12th W. The last rainstorm left standing water at R.M.S. He said that at 445 S 12th W when the sewer line was put in, the slope on the streets went away so the water doesn't drain off the road.

Mr. Hall wondered if old striping on Hwy 91 was going to be sanded off. It is causing problems.

Another problem Mr. Hall noted was on Hwy 33 exiting onto Hwy 20; at the SW corner trucks can't turn onto Hwy 20. Curbs need to be taken out and signs moved back.

John Millar has talked to the state at least a dozen times about that, he will talk to them again. He recommended a letter from the Traffic Safety Committee to Tom Cole-the District Engineer- to look at that on ramp.

Jodi Weimer asked about future plans for 12th W.

John Millar stated that they are striping next spring, and that contractors need to fix the road.

Chris Mann asked about stop signs at 1st S 1st W. He sees people stopping there all the time.

Randy Lewis says that they haven't had accidents lately. The only accidents that have been there are because of people running the stop sign going N and S.

Craig Nordfelt stated that putting more stop signs on 1st N 1st S forces traffic onto Main St. They need to be commuter streets. John Millar's study stated that it didn't come close to warranting a 4 way stop.

Craig Nordfelt asked John Millar to do a study on 1st W and 2nd S to see if that warrants a 4 way stop.

More Lighting at 3rd S 2nd W

John Millar ordered a new street light to go in at the NE corner of the intersection. He is just waiting for Utah Power to put it in.

More Lighting Roundabout

John Millar has had more lighting put in at the crosswalks.

Review City's Future Road Plans

Due to an unfortunate accident, the meeting tape was erased, so this information is unavailable.

Meeting Adjourned.