

**Due to the lack of a quorum, decisions made at this meeting were for discussion purposes only, no action can be taken.**

**Committee Members Present:** Lynn Archibald, Rose Bagley, Randy Lewis, Hannah Bird, Randy Schwendiman, John Millar, Donna Benfield, Eric Erickson, and Stephen Zollinger.

Chairman Craig Nordfelt was excused; Lynn Archibald sat as chairman for this meeting.

**Approval of last month's minutes:** Hannah Bird moved to approve minutes. Rose Bagley seconded it. All approved.

**Reports:**

**Police, Street Lights Out:** Randy Lewis has a list of street lights that are out. He will have the list for next month's meeting.

The two crosswalks on 1<sup>st</sup> West close to 3<sup>rd</sup> South, that were a concern to BYU-ID students, are poorly lighted. The North street light has a lower wattage and is partly covered by trees.

**Old Business:**

**South 2<sup>nd</sup> E Study:** John Millar reported that crosswalks have been painted.

**Tree Pruning 1<sup>st</sup> S Center:** John Millar stated that they may have to move the street light. The tree is too big; they can't prune it well enough without hacking away a good portion of the tree.

**Crosswalk Safety Issue, Improvements:** John Millar said that crosswalks have been painted. The Mayor wants a LID to put in crosswalk lighting for areas of concern.

**Speed Limit on West 4<sup>th</sup> South:** John Millar has not had a chance to do a speed study. Randy Lewis said that they don't have very many traffic stops on that street. Donna Benfield and Hannah Bird said that in the last little while, they have seen quite a few traffic stops.

**Change No Parking Signs Around Church:** John Millar reported that the no parking signs around the Presbyterian Church have been amended to exempt Saturday and Sunday from parking restrictions.

**Permit Parking Ordinance (draft):** Randy Rhead, who lives on Cornell, called John Millar and asked if a questionnaire was going to be sent to residents to decide whether people in that area would be in favor of permit parking. He didn't understand that an

ordinance had to be drafted to allow permit parking. Donna Benfield is interested in what Stephen Zollinger has to say about the legality of this.

Bozeman, MT has implemented permit parking. Hannah Bird questioned allowing people to park on the streets at all.

Randy Schwendiman said that if we do a survey/questionnaire, be very specific and limited in the choice of options. We can't keep doing surveys.

Stephen Zollinger said that he could reproduce a draft fairly quickly. Some of the conditions to get a permit discussed were – had to be an on sight resident or have property interest i.e. rental, and they would cost \$50.00 to \$100.00 a year. He also said that he has had only two people come to his office that had issues with the current no parking signs, and that he has spoken with them frequently in the past on other issues as well.

Eric Erickson commented that we should turn the responsibility of finding others who oppose the signs, and want permit parking back to these people. If there are more people who come forward with complaints, then we will revisit the issue in approximately six months.

Randy Schwendiman stated that if cars have to be parked off streets six months of the year why is there a problem of where to park cars year round.

Stephen Zollinger stated that there is no right to park on the street; it is something that the City allows on some streets.

Hannah Bird moved to revisit issue if there are still problems in September 2004.

Eric Erickson seconded it.

All approved.

Deborah Lovejoy was asked to write a not to Randy Rhead and Mr. and Mrs. Nissen, who attended May's traffic meeting, to tell them what the Committee's decision is on permit parking.

### **New Business**

**Park Street Park Lighting/Curfew:** Donna Benfield was concerned that there was not enough lighting in the Park Street Park off 5<sup>th</sup> West. The park is also not being patrolled to see that the curfew is being met. John Millar said that he would look at that tonight. City parks close at 11:00 pm. Lynn Archibald suggested signing the curfew hours. John Millar will give recommendations for the next meeting.

**Traffic Safety Issues/Quadrant Reports:** John Millar mentioned the shortage of parking at the High School was becoming a safety issue. The cars have filled up the available parking lots, fields, and streets.

Stephen Zollinger has a semi-truck parking on the street over in his quadrant. It is making it hard to see kids playing in the park by the Evergreen subdivision.

Eric Erickson suggested adding semi-trucks to the R.V. ordinance allowing only 24 hour parking.

John Millar thought he and Stephen Zollinger should look at St. Anthony's ordinance for ideas; they don't allow trucks to park on city streets.

Stephen Zollinger thought an option could be to coordinate with the school district, and designate the street by the JR High on down to the County Annex Building for parking vehicles exceeding 30 feet.

Donna Benfield will look around and see if she can find a place for oversize vehicle parking – maybe behind Kmart.

The City Council didn't come to any conclusions about the INEEL parking behind Kmart.

John Millar said that parking at the High School may be resolved this fall if the bond passes. If not, the School District recognizes that there is a problem, and will work on that issue.

Randy Lewis mentioned that Richard Smith wants the City to look at Millhollow Street again; the width of the street, speed, curbs & gutter/LID, etc. The traffic is increasing with the subdivision going in.

Hannah Bird proposed having a safety campaign to promote safer pedestrian street crossing.

Eric Erickson said the only safe way to cross 4 lanes of traffic is for the cars to come to a complete stop.

Hannah Bird would like to get signs that say stop when occupied for critical crosswalks.

Donna Benfield wondered if safe pedestrian crossing was an enforcement issue.

Students cross the street where they want and disregard crosswalks; consequently drivers tend to ignore pedestrians trying to cross the street.

Hannah Bird would like to have a safety campaign that reviews safety requirements for pedestrians and drivers to retrain the community. She would like us to implement a solution that would give people their best chance for crossing on 4 lane streets.

Eric Erickson mentioned some ideas to do this – enforcement, if not too much traffic maybe a center island, and to either decrease traffic on the street or not permit pedestrian crossing.

Lynn Archibald wanted to involve the newspaper and the schools/police. He wanted to see if we could find a coordinated program that we could use. The university may have interns that could put together a program, or it could be a class project for a college student.

Donna Benfield is going to see what she can find for next month's meeting.

**Next meeting July 6, 2004.**

Meeting adjourned.