

Traffic Safety Meeting

July 6, 2004

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: Chairman Craig Nordfelt, Donna Benfield, Rose Bagley, Lynn Archibald, John Millar, Stephen Zollinger, Randy Lewis.

Citizens Present: Jodi Weimer, Estelle Ward, Boyd Hall, Lorene Hall, Iris Hall, Katherine Parson, Leon Parson, Ann Dexter, Melodi Johnson, and Katie Allen all residing on 12th West.

Old Business:

A. South 2nd East study: The state was doing a traffic count, they will give us the information they have gathered.

B. List of Burned Out Streetlights: Randy Lewis has a list of burned out traffic lights that he gave to John Millar.

C. Crosswalk Safety Issue, Improvements: The committee will address this next month.

D. Speed Limits On West Fourth South: John Millar bought a new traffic counter for this purpose should have information for next month's meeting.

E. Park Street Lighting/Curfew: John Millar is going to recommend another street light and a curfew sign to the city council.

F. Semi Truck Parking: This issue has been turned over to the Planning and Zoning Committee, they're not going to allow semi trucks to park overnight in residential neighborhoods.

G. Millhollow Speed Limits/Width: This issue has been turned over to the Public Works Department – Closed.

H. Safety Campaign: This will be addressed at next month's meeting.

New Business:

A. 12th West Speed Limit Change: Citizens present residing on South 12th West and in the Willowbrook subdivision would like the speed limit lowered from 50 mi. per hour to 35 mi. per hour. they have had people passing school buses on this road and semi trucks driving down at all hours of the day and night. They feel the higher speed is a safety hazard and would like the road patrolled around 8:00 a.m.

Randy Lewis is going to see that the road gets patrolled more.

John Millar is going to do a traffic count and study to see if the road conditions warrant lowering the speed limit to 35 mi. per hour for the entire stretch of road. John should have the new traffic counter soon, he ordered it last week.

Citizens present were also concerned about the southbound ramp on Highway 20. Semi trucks cannot make the corner to get on the highway, so they use 12th West as an alternative route. John Millar said that the state is going to be taking care of that when the traffic light is put in. John also thought there was need for a stop sign in Kirby Forbush's subdivision. There also needs to be a speed limit sign stating 35 m.p.h. North of Stock Lumber on the Yellowstone Hwy.

B. Traffic, Safety Issues/Quadrant Reports: 1st South and 1st East has been reported as a problem intersection; it is a wide open intersection. Shrubs by Dr. Reynold's office may be moved to improve visibility.

1st South and 1st West has been identified as another problem intersection. People think that this is a four way stop, and visibility is poor. John Millar suggested moving back the parking on the intersection; he will go and take a look at the intersection to see what else can be done.

Next meeting: August 17, 2004

Meeting Adjourned.