

KETCHUM TRAFFIC AUTHORITY MINUTES

April 12, 2018 9:00 AM
Ketchum City Hall Council Chambers
480 East Avenue North
Ketchum, Idaho

Present: Suzanne Frick, City Administrator
Brian Christiansen, Director of Streets & Facilities
Nathan Taylor, Sergeant, Ketchum Police Department
John Gaeddert, Director of Planning & Building
Michael David, Councilmember

1. Opening of Meeting

Meeting began at 9:21 AM

New Business

2. Adoption of Minutes

- a) March 8, 2018
- b) April 3, 2018

MOTION:

Motion to approve minutes of March 8 and April 3, 2018

MOVER: Brian Christiansen

SECONDED: Suzanne Frick

All in favor

3. Discussion on fortifying existing and possibly adding crosswalks, in particular the YMCA crosswalk at Parkway Drive and Warm Springs Road.

Michael David stated that the YMCA crosswalk is a well-used crosswalk and it would be great if flags were in place there. Brian Christiansen explained that they could make the crosswalks wider if needed. *The group agreed to have pedestrian crossing flags put in at the location. Brian Christiansen said that they will put in flags.*

4. Recommendation to change out the two-hour parking signs on Washington Avenue.

The group discussed the issue of employees parking in the areas and taking the spots beginning at 4:00pm and it creates no parking for the patrons of the restaurants, night life, etc. Frick said that they could take a look at how the parking lot does this summer and see if that's successful in helping with the problem. *The group agreed to think about the issue more and discuss it at the next meeting.*

5. Discussion of limiting oversized vehicles on 5th Street between Walnut and spruce.

A number of oversized vehicles were parking here and using the library's Wi-Fi and the area residents asked if we could discuss the issue. Nathan Taylor said that they do have problems with overnight parking there. They want to allow long term parking but don't necessarily want the campers parking there. The group agreed that they have to consider the construction projects going on this summer. Based on construction activity now is not the time to implement changes. Christiansen said that during the period of construction two hour parking 8-6 with three hour parking on both sides of the road. Frick said she will speak to Lisa about getting the word out on parking in the area. *Christiansen will check on the signs and Frick will do the outreach before installation.*

6. Discussion and review of the Warm Springs sidewalk traffic control plan.

Brian Christiansen explained the traffic control plan for the upcoming Warm Springs project to the group. The group discussed detours and truck traffic as well as north and south bound traffic. The group also discussed various alternatives to the presented traffic control plan. Christiansen also explained how quickly the traffic backs up on Warm Springs Road.

Christiansen recommended the Lunceford Excavation Traffic Control Plan and explained that if issues arise the plan can be adjusted accordingly. A plan has to be started out then it's monitored and checked for any issues, if so you adjust as needed. Frick explained that the project is starting soon in the next week so a decision has to be made. The main detour for southbound traffic shifting from 8th to 2nd Avenue to Sun Valley Road then back up to Main with a detour on 10th and Saddle Road. Frick stated limiting parking at 10th and the highway if necessary. *Christiansen will move forward in getting the truck traffic signs needed.*

MOTION:

Motion to approve revised Lunceford Excavation Traffic Control Plan

MOVER: Nathan Taylor

SECONDED: Suzanne Frick

All in favor

7. Discussion of striping and new bike lanes to be installed in spring.

A potential bike lane on Warm Springs and a connector on 10th Street was discussed. The group discussed asking for any other ideas of places that need striping. Once done it will be very beneficial due to all of the foot traffic in the area. Michael David said pedestrian crosswalk is needed in front of The Timbers at Main Street. People in Gem Street neighborhood need a crosswalk for a safer way to cross Main Street. Christiansen said there should be an engineering analysis done. Christiansen stated that one of the benefits of the analysis is to take the liability off of the City. *Frick suggested getting an estimate on the engineering analysis.*

8. Items not on the agenda:

Michael David stated that Mountain Rides has left over money from the transportation hub. David suggested moving the north bound bus stop from in front of Sturtevant's to the empty lot at Irving's. David said it's a tough turn for busses to make. *The group agreed the idea is doable.*

Motion to adjourn at 10:40 AM

Mover: Nathan Taylor

Seconded: Michael David

All in favor