

SIoux FALLS SCHOOLS TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



PATH COMMITTEE MEETING

May 10, 2012

8:30 a.m.

IPC Building, Boardroom 2-3

I. CALL TO ORDER/ ATTENDANCE

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sharon Chontos, John Snobeck, Bob Draeger, Doug Morrison, Teresa Boysen, Brandi Kowalczyk, Todd Vik, Lisa Huemoeller, Heath Hoftiezer

MEMBERS ABSENT

Kerry Larson, Craig Smith, Michelle Wolf, Karen Nash-Claycomb, Jerome Miller, Keith Gries, Diane Hall, Marilyn Buskohl, Susan Foster

II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/DISCUSSION

John Snobeck announced that he will be retiring from the School District at the end of the school year. Harrisburg will need to be contacted at the start of the school year to see if a replacement representative will be attending the meetings.

Sharon asked if the scope of the PATH committee also includes parks. Heath stated that it would probably depend upon what the issue is. Concern is coming from residents with the new Spellerberg Park indoor aquatic center being developed. There is concern with the traffic that it will produce coming onto Western Avenue and the safety of the kids in the area.

Heath stated that there will be a 2 year rotation on school crosswalks for painting, etc. Please let Heath know if there is a crosswalk that has a concern.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MARCH MINUTES

Sharon Chontos moved to approve the March minutes. Motion was approved by John Snobeck and seconded by Teresa Boysen. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. PUBLIC INPUT

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- *Police Department.* No report

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- *City Engineering:* Heath stated that the City has four unfinished items:
 1. The plans for the Roosevelt mid-block crossing that will be put in on the west side of the school are in the process of being finished. Along with this project, the control units for the flashers may be replaced.
 2. Heath has been meeting with Principal Hill at Rosa Parks and going over some signing additions and changes that will be done. At 26th Street and Red Oak, no pedestrian crossing signs will be placed to discourage the kids from crossing there to get to the underpass. Also around the school, we will be changing some of the parking along the street and adjusting the signs for the drop off and pick up. There is also a crosswalk that is being covered by vehicles that we will place different striping on along with different signage to encourage drivers not to park across it. With the cars parking here, the kids are walking in between the cars to get across the street.
 3. At Harvey Dunn, 33rd and Sycamore is being looked at for a traffic signal. Next summer it should be installed. It is possible that a crosswalk and signage will be placed even though the signal will not be installed yet.
 4. The JFK crosswalk on Marion Road and 53rd street will be in an overlay area for this year so if any changes are needed, this would be a good time to make them. A study is being conducted to see if flashers need to be installed.

- *Private Schools:* No report.

- *Public Schools:* No report.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- *Police Department:* No report.

- *City Engineering:* Regarding the current by laws and term limits of the committee, we have discovered the old laws were not followed properly. It is possible we will dissolve the current committee and reappoint the current members as a mayor appointed committee instead of a committee through the Council like how it was originally set up. If this happens, the committee term limits can be changed.

- *Private Schools:* No report.

- *Public Schools:* At the intersection of 33rd and Bahnson, a concerned resident questioned having more notice of the crosswalk that is by his residence. There are currently stop here lines and stop here on red signs but they are not being observed by vehicles. We are looking at more options to make the crosswalk more noticeable with the possibility of using reflective tape on the stop here on red signs.

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VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by John Snobeck to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Bob Draeger. Motion passed unanimously.

- The next meeting will be held August 9, 2012 at the IPC Building at 8:30 a.m.
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m.