

SIoux FALLS SCHOOLS TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



PATH COMMITTEE MEETING

9/9/2021

8:30 a.m.

Conference Rooms 1&2

I. CALL TO ORDER/ ATTENDANCE

Heath Hoftiezer called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Todd Vik, Danaca Schettler, Lisa Lewis-Huemoeller, Officer Robert Draeger, Mike Munzke, Heath Hoftiezer, Nan Baker, Officer Joey Trainor

MEMBERS ABSENT

Troy Miller, Moria Beznoska, Marilyn Buskhol, Lt. Andrew Siebenborn, Sgt. Travis Olsen, John Snobeck, Nancy Hagen, Nicole Barnes

INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/DISCUSSION:

JJ Johnson from ACE Academy

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

Motion to approve by Schettler to approve the August 12, 2021 meeting minutes. Second by Huemoeller. Roll call: Yeses - Todd Vik, Danaca Schettler, Lisa Lewis-Huemoeller, Officer Robert Draeger, Mike Munzke, Heath Hoftiezer, Officer Joey Trainor. No - None. Motion approved.

III. PUBLIC INPUT: None

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- *Police Department:* Officer Joey Trainor stated every day patrol is in full force with school zone enforcement utilizing a grant from the Highway Patrol for overtime patrol.
- *City Engineering:* There are now beacons 41st and Manifold and at Six Mile Road and Donnelly crossing. In addition, for Ben Rifle we will be moving and adding school zone signs.
- *Private Schools:* None
- *Public Schools:*
 - Follow up for Susan B Anthony School – Hoftiezer stated there was a traffic study done at the intersection of 34th and Dakota for flashing beacons and did not meet the six criteria that were set at that time. Could possibly look at some options.
 - Troy Miller for concern at Terry Redlin, observed St. Paul Avenue and Eight Street for two days and no students crossed at that intersection.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- *Police Department:* None

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- *City Engineering:*

- Ace Academy – JJ Johnson from Ace Academy attended the PATH meeting requesting crosswalks and signage or something for their students to get to and to utilize the neighborhood for students to get to Dugan Park safely from their school located at Lewis Square, 2701 S Minnesota Avenue, Suite 10. Hoftiezer distributed handouts regarding the intersection at 37th Street and Spring Avenue, 37th Street and Duluth Avenue, and 35th Street and Spring Avenue. For now, we could put a crosswalk and signage at Spring Avenue and 35th Street on the South side of the parking lot and going north and south at 37th Street and Duluth Avenue. Motion to approve by Draeger to approve. Second by Huemoeller. Roll call: Yeses - Todd Vik, Danaca Schettler, Lisa Lewis-Huemoeller, Officer Robert Draeger, Mike Munzke, Heath Hoftiezer, Officer Joey Trainor, Nan Tucker. No - None. Motion approved.

Long term for 37th Street and Spring Avenue talk about curb modification for a safe crosswalk next year as well as contacting Marilyn Buskhol at AAA requesting safety vest for teachers.

- Hayward Elementary – there was not an established route on the west end of the school, so they made their own route on rural subdivision roads. A trail extension on the northwest side that is going to connect to Family Park connecting to a sidewalk on 12th Street to Valley View to Hayward. West Fifth Street (north of the train tracks) has some sidewalk and there will be more options in two months to get the kids to school safely. In addition, there will be traffic signals at 12th Street and La Mesa Drive.
- Council member Christine Erickson emailed Heath regarding concerns at JFK with an uncontrolled “T” at 53rd Street and Cheyenne Drive and a 4-way uncontrolled at 53rd Street and West Mesa Pass. Approximately 100 students cross at these locations. Todd Vik will reach out to the principal regarding this.

- *Private Schools:* None

- *Public Schools:* None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m. Next meeting will be November 18, 2021 in Conference Rooms 1&2 at the IPC Building located at 201 East 38th Street.

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