

LA PINE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE AGENDA

Thursday, May 10, 2012
Regular Meeting – 10:00 am
16345 6th Street
La Pine, OR 97739

A. Regular Session

1. Call to Order
2. Establish Quorum
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes
5. Public Comments
6. ODOT – Joel McCarroll
7. Kittleson & Associates – Joe Bessman
8. Other Business
9. Staff General Comments
10. Committee Member General Comments
11. Adjourn

Pursuant to ORS 192.640, this notice includes a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered or discussed at the above-referenced meetings. This notice does not limit the ability of the Public Works Committee to consider or discuss additional subjects. These meetings are subject to cancellation without notice. These meetings are open to the public and interested citizens are invited to attend. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to Patti Morgan at (541) 536-1432.

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2. Establish Quorum

President Tom Weller

Vice-President Linda Johnston

Arlo Fertig

Ed Carpenter

Bill Sawders

Roy Hester

Doug Ward

3. Pledge of Allegiance

President Weller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Arlo Fertig and seconded by Doug Ward to approve the Minutes.

<i>Vote as follows:</i>	<i>AYE</i>	<i>NAY</i>
<i>President Tom Weller</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Vice-President Linda Johnston</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Arlo Fertig</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Ed Carpenter</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Bill Sawders</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Roy Hester</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Commissioner Doug Ward</i>	<i>X</i>	

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comments

None.

6. ODOT – Joel McCarroll

Joel McCarroll introduced himself and Dan Serpico from the traffic control department of ODOT. He said they look at the speed that 85% of the drivers are travelling under normal conditions. Mr. McCarroll said that drivers need to be reasonable and prudent with driving conditions. It is safer when drivers are travelling in a narrow band of speeds. He said the speed limit is also based on road and weather conditions. He said historically Oregon is a basic rule state.

Mr. McCarroll said that a lot of factors go into vehicle speed selection such as how wide the road is, if there are buildings next to the road, type of vehicle, etc. He said all those factors affect the speed in a dramatic manner. Mr. McCarroll said that adding curbs and sidewalks can really reduce the speed that drivers select to drive at. He said that La Pine is not one of the cities that has fixed photo enforcement for controlling speed limits. Mr. McCarroll said La Pine would have to go to the Legislature to enact the fixed photo enforcement. He also said that ODOT (Oregon Dept of Transportation) is responsible for setting all speed limits in the State.

Mr. McCarroll said that they do an investigation for changing and establishing speed limits. He said they look at environmental factors as well as crash data. Mr. McCarroll said the more drivers that are driving at similar speeds, the safer the roadway will be. Mr. Serpico stated that ODOT works very closely with the State and local police when determining an appropriate speed limit. He said they also work with various jurisdictions in their investigation.

7. Kittleson & Associates – Joe Bessman

Mr. Bessman stated he was the consultant that worked on the Highway 97 Corridor Plan. He said it covered 1st Street to 6th Street on Highway 97. Mr. Bessman said that there is no driver willing to yield to a pedestrian and the people, especially the kids, are crossing wherever they can. He said even though there is a 35 mph speed change (traveling south past 1st Street) most drivers still think they should be driving at the speed for a rural highway. Mr. Bessman said La Pine does not have a lot of crashes along the corridor. He said there were a lot of near misses, however. Mr. Bessman stated that they want to make sure if they install a beacon that people will use them to get a safer crossing. He said people want to cross the street at the closest location possible. Mr. Bessman stated they work with the schools to provide education regarding any planned crossings. He also said that they only have some of the monies needed for improvements at 1st and Hwy 97. Mr. Bessman said they still need to get right-of-ways as well to make the necessary improvements. He said it will probably be about three years before they have the necessary funding available. Mr. Bessman said they are also looking into matching funds that could be used for the project.

City Manager Hasson stated that the Budget Committee recently came up with a number of goals one of which would be a presentation process for the Highway 97 Corridor. He said that City Hall will be making a number of improvements to the front area of the building with sidewalks, drainage,

landscaping, etc., which will also set a good example for businesses that front Highway 97. He also said that it is important for ODOT to work with the Public Works Department and for the Public Works Department to work with the City.

8. Other Business

Bill Sawders discussed the acquiring of eight street lamps that are on the City's 2012-2013 budget. He said that item should have come through the Public Works Committee, first. Mr. Sawders also said he thought the BMX track should be financed by businesses, etc., and not by the City. City Manager Hasson said where the lights should be located would come before the Public Works Committee. He also said the BMX track would come through the Committee as well. City Manager Hasson said he will bring the City goals to the next meeting for review.

9. Staff General Comments

None

10. Committee Member General Comments

None

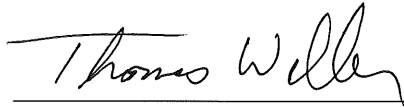
11. Adjourn

A motion was made by Bill Sawders and seconded by President Weller to adjourn the meeting.

<i>Vote as follows:</i>	<i>AYE</i>	<i>NAY</i>
<i>President Tom Weller</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Vice-President Linda Johnston</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Arlo Fertig</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Ed Carpenter</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Bill Sawders</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Roy Hester</i>	<i>X</i>	
<i>Commissioner Doug Ward</i>	<i>X</i>	

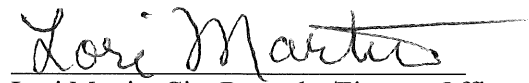
Motion passed unanimously.

President Weller adjourned the meeting.



President Tom Weller

Attest:



Lori Martin, City Recorder/Finance Officer