

## Traffic Safety Minutes

March 6, 2007

Present: Steve Minor, Gary Paulson, Kathy Bourassa, Neil Kellner, Jo Nelson, Fred Nelson, Bob Helbock, Jim McClellan, Patricia Pinkham, Steve Bauer, Barbara Porter, Dody Solaas, Dan Smith, Chris McClellan

Meeting was called to order at 7:00

Agenda was approved.

Minutes were read. Correction to the minutes: Dody Solaas, Mike Malan and Gary Paulson did not agree on when they would be speaking to neighbors about proposed traffic calming devices.

**Motion:** Dody moved to approve the minutes as corrected, Steve Bauer seconded, and it **Passed**

### OLD BUSINESS

Committee reports:

Patricia Pinkham reported on the Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting with Chris Endresen, Jon Brand, and Kathy Bourassa. Working from a cost estimate of approximately \$40,000 Chris said funding will be available but may have to wait until 2008. The project will be discussed with the entire community council and the community will have to be in support of the project either through a community public meeting tentatively set for May, or from an opinion survey.

Patricia said we could revisit the two problem areas' residents with the county's possible numbers and placements and send any adjustments to Jeff Shea with a copy to Chris Endresen and Jon Brand.

The committee then had a lively discussion on whether the survey/questionnaire would actually benefit our project and it was decided that it would not, and our committee should be the one to draft any such flyer and that it should be more of an informational rather than survey flyer.

Dody Solaas: An email was sent to Sheriff Boyer in thanks to Mike Merrill for patrolling the area. Dennis Bonneville, Under Sheriff sent responding thanks for the note and he will also let Sheriff Boyer know.

There was nothing in the March Hansville log about the project and the deadline for April is March 15<sup>th</sup>.

The county has suggested sending out survey fliers as our project deviates from the county standards. Patricia explained that these will not be surveys, but non-detailed informational

fliers. The committee suggested that it should be viewed first by the committee and that any information in the Hansville Log should be approved and backed by the Greater Hansville Advisory board. Dan Smith suggested having a Plan A, Plan B and Plan C to present and a meeting giving information about what the different traffic calming devices are.

Patricia asked the committee for decisions on the location and number of devices. The cost of an asphalt circle is \$5000 without the purchase of more property.

Discussion led by Dody solaas and Gary Paulson included two plans:

Plan A is to try to implement all of the calming devices but that these were the maximum number that could be built within county guidelines according to Jeff Shea.

Plan B is to have three tables and a traffic circle and make two of the tables crosswalks only, with an additional table closer to Adams, and the traffic circle at the intersection of Buck and Point No Point Rds..

The fire department won't support Plan A and feels Jeff Shea hoped to make this fail. Steve Bauer suggested being more flexible in sharing with the public and to ask only what we feel is best and fair.

After a discussion led by Barbara Porter and Bob Helbock on the number of tables and a table with a crosswalk, for HCD as well as humps or tables for Bridgeview Drive in Cliffside and it was decided to have 2 tables in Cliffside, 1 on the straight-away, and 1 table on Bridgeview. They also agreed on 3 tables, 1 circle and 1 more crosswalk in downtown Hansville.

The community meeting will be Tuesday, May 15 at the Hansville Community Center. Steve stated that there is money for the Futures Project and suggested asking Judy Foritano for financial support for these projects.

The GH Advisory Board will be given these recommendations. The county will be asked to provide their graphic design for the upcoming meetings. Steve suggested going to the Hansville Church, Greenway Committee, Garden Club, Shorewoods, Cliffside, Driftwood Key, Neighbor's luncheon in April, and local businesses to education them and perhaps gain their support.

It was agreed to ask the Greater Hansville Advisory Board to approve our request, be part of the educational process for the community, and to relate their support to the county.

Patricia will contact Tom Ritley to see if she can give a report at their Board's April GHA meeting at the Community Club.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There was discussion on the Hood Canal Drive/Ponderosa road improvement project. Building a more gradual curve on the corner on Hood Canal has become a high priority due to a fatality accident there. Dan said he would inform the county that the accident was not due to the road, but to a medical condition of the driver. The committee feels that this project will move back the funding for traffic calming devices unnecessarily. Neil has volunteered to gather information about this project as well as the Cliffside Road improvements.

Dody will provide information to the Hansville Log for a general information article, about the traffic safety committee, why it was formed and the large response at the initial meeting. Information about the May meeting will be included. Annie Tietje from the North Kitsap Herald, Rebecca Pirtle from the Kingston Community News and Derek Shepard from the Kitsap Sun will be given information for their papers.

It was noted that school buses are still speeding, and it was suggested that people note the bus number and time and report the information to the school district.

Discussion followed on whether or not to contact residents who left messages with the county on their "comment line." It was decided that Patricia would ask Kathy Brown, Chris Endresen's assistant and keeper of the "comment line" if she would contact any resident who left a phone number and ask if they would like to have someone from the committee contact them.

It was mentioned that a Tacoma company is cleaning up the property on Little Boston Road.

Interim meetings may be called as needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm

The next meeting is April 3 at 7:00 pm