

**Traffic Safety  
Minutes**  
Nov. 6, 2007

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Gary Paulson, Kathy Bourassa, Mike Malan, Jo Nelson, Fred Nelson, Bob Helbock, John Wiegenstein, Ed Call, Jim McClellan, Patricia Pinkham, Barbara Porter, Dody Solaas, Chris McClellan

Guests: Judy Foritano, Brad Luton, Bob and Dot Bogash, Barb Fox, Marilyn Holmgren, Jolene Lambrecht, Patrick Leuner, Joe Heller, Scott Pochop, (There were others who did not sign in).

The agenda and minutes were approved.

Pilot project update and discussion:

The 4 speed tables along Hood Canal Drive have been revised.

The 2 speed bumps on Bridgeview need revision.

Speed tables on Twin Spits are slowing traffic.

Comments on the tables were taken from committee members. Most comments were favorable although some felt that they were not meeting the expectations of being able to go the posted speed.

Due the large number of guests who wished to be heard, "Committee Housekeeping" on the agenda will be delayed and added to the December agenda.

Finn Creek Agricultural neighborhood discussion and possible action

Patrick Leuner has been to the county several times requesting a speed limit reduction, with no result. This request was the 3<sup>rd</sup> priority when the committee was formed. Patricia has been in contact with the county who has not responded in favor. The committee asked residents of area to gather more statistics to be presented by the committee to the county.

**Motion:** Gary Paulson moved to adopt bringing Finn Creek aboard and supporting further reseach from them. Mike Malan seconded. **Motion Passed.**

The rest of the agenda was tabled until December.

Open Comments

Jo Nelson reported that COSMOS will be in the area over Thanksgiving weekend.

Guests were invited to give their input on the tables. There was a complaint that the table near the post office is too abrupt to travel over easily and that county leadership is extremely poor.

Others wanted to know how the committee came to the decision to have tables installed and why. Several requested the tables be repaired to allow passage at the legal speed limit, or to have them removed. One requested information on how to proceed with a request for removal. She felt that her property values are reduced because of the speed tables in the area.

Another felt that redesigning the roads would have solved the speeding problem.

Two reported that they were unable to maneuver the speed tables at all; one with a small boat/trailer and one with a Corvette.

Another reported that they had had a scare with a truck with trailer and equipment going too fast over a table and the equipment bouncing in the air. Several questioned liability in the event of an accident or vehicle damage because of the tables.

Two guests reported calling the county and being told that they did not want to install the speed tables but did because the committee insisted.

Several were concerned that the committee would be putting in more tables. They were assured that this is not the plan, and that the county had actually recommended more but the committee declined.

The committee will discuss this with the county and the commissioners, asking for a commitment on correction, consistency and marking of the tables. At the end of the meeting, the general feeling was that if the tables were consistent and allowed the legal speed limit, they would be more accepted.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10. The next meeting will be Dec. 4 at 7:00 p.m.

Chris McClellan secretary