

City of Pacific Grove  
Traffic Safety Commission  
**Minutes of – February 9, 2010**

Present: Shayne, Wagner, Prock, Elstob, Roehl, Leinen & Terry  
Staff: Chief Darius Engles & Malcolm Knisely, Traffic Engineer  
Others: Ms. Inge Daumer  
Absent: None

*The Traffic Commission meeting was recorded. Recordings are kept at the Police Department for review. Recordings are kept for a period of ninety days following the meeting.*

**1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Shayne at 4:00 pm.**

**2. Oral Communications:**

Ms. Inge Daumer was present and talked on two topics. The first was on the meeting on February 1<sup>st</sup> (neighborhood meeting) regarding the existing residential parking permit program in her neighborhood. There had been concerns that the parking permit program may be discontinued. The neighborhood includes Sloat Avenue, Dewey Avenue and Ocean View Blvd. Ms. Daumer indicated that the situation appeared to be improved regarding the continuance of the existing permit program. She also wanted some additional signs placed on Sloat Avenue to inform motorists that Sloat Avenue was one way for eastbound vehicles only. (Between 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue and Eardley Avenue) The issue on additional signs on Sloat Avenue will be placed on the March Agenda of the Commission.

**3. Minutes of meeting held January 12, 2010.**

**MOTION was made by Winston Elstob and seconded by Jan Roehl to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2010 meeting as written. MOTION passed unanimously.**

**4. Commission and Staff Announcements:**

Malcolm reported that he has been requested to schedule a Study Session on the Agenda of the Traffic Safety Commissions for its meeting on March 9, 2010. The topic will be on the proposed reorganization of the Traffic Safety Commission. The meeting will begin at 3:00 pm with the Study Sessions first and followed by the regular monthly meeting.

Commissioner Roehl spoke on the subject of the upcoming 2010 TAMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. She stated that TAMC is in the process of hiring a Consultant for preparation of this plan. The Consultant will begin in June contacting local agencies in Monterey County for staff's input into the proposed plan and public meetings will also be held. Commissioner Roehl requests that this Agenda item be placed on the April Agenda of the Commission and be maintained as an update Agenda Item for the Commissions information. Commissioner Roehl further desires that the Commissioners be given an opportunity to participate in the formulation of this plan for the City of Pacific Grove.

Chief Engles commented on the new part-time motorcycle officer's activity in our City. Since being employed it was reported that the Officer has written approximately 100 citations. Chief Engles also reported that the Police Department has hired another Officer bringing the total to 22 sworn officers.

The newly appointed Traffic Commissioner Stephen Wagner introduced himself and was looking forward to attending the meetings of the Commission. He stated that he was a prosecutor and he works for the California District Attorneys Association and he currently works in the Monterey County District Attorneys Office.

**5. Correspondence:**

Malcolm Knisely reported on a letter that he had received regarding that a stop sign be installed on the northeast corner of Central Avenue at Grand Avenue to provide motorists visibility to pedestrians using the westerly crosswalk across Central Avenue. The removal of this crosswalk is also requested. Malcolm reported that he requested Public Works to set traffic counters at this location.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Pedestrian Safety Assessment for the City of Pacific Grove – Update by Staff

Malcolm reported that the improvement project regarding Forest Avenue and Lighthouse Avenue is moving forward. The City is trying to find funding for the improvements to the Jewell Avenue & 19<sup>th</sup> Street intersection.

Malcolm also reported that the City is in the process of obtaining traffic counts at Lighthouse Ave and Eardley Ave (stop sign), Laurel Ave and Grand Ave (4 way stop), and crosswalks across Central at Dewey Ave and at Central Ave & Eardley Ave. These locations were identified by the Traffic Commission's Pedestrian Safety Sub Committee and were listed on the Priority list as candidates for consideration for pedestrian improvements. When the data for these locations is available they will be agendized on the Traffic Safety Commission's agenda.

B. Stuart Avenue Area – Traffic Calming Measures to Control Vehicle Speeds – Update by Staff

Malcolm reported that he received a request from Dave Osborne that westbound traffic on Stuart Avenue be prohibited from turning left to go westbound on Forest Avenue (Hwy 68). Malcolm requested Dave to contract CalTrans with his request inasmuch as the access at this location is shared by us and the State.

Darius reported that the speed board is being placed on Stuart Avenue east of Bishop Way. Malcolm reported that we still are in the process of calibrating the sign to eliminate Hwy 68 traffic. The latest data indicated that the ADT was 173/day for 5 days and the 85% speed of approach traffic was 22 MPH. The speed board was pointed at eastbound traffic on Stuart Ave.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Commissioners to select a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Traffic Safety Commission for the year 2010.

A discussion followed and Chairman Shayne asked for nominations be made for Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Traffic Safety Commission.

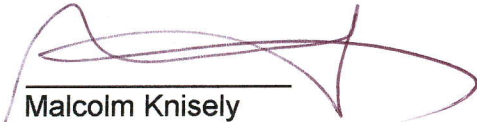
**MOTION was made by Jan Roehl and seconded by Dave Terry that George Shayne be appointed Chairperson for the Year 2010 of the Traffic Safety Commission.**

**MOTION was made by Jan Roehl and seconded by Stephen Wagner that Henry Leinen be appointed Vice Chairperson for Year 2010 of the Traffic Safety Commission.**

**MOTIONS passed Unanimously**

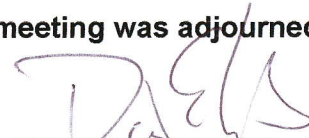
**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:57 pm.**



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Malcolm Knisely  
Traffic Engineer



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Darius Engles  
Chief of Police