

**CITY OF PEKIN TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES
DECEMBER 6, 2013 @ 8:30 a.m.
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM**

PRESENT: Joe Wuellner, Kurt Nelson, Mike Guerra, Bob Shaw, Ron Mayeur
Also present: Jim Kaminski, Bill Scarcliff, Lee Ann Wrhel

Approval of Agenda – Motion by Kurt, seconded by Joe. All in favor.

Approval of Minutes, Meeting of November 1, 2013 – Motion by Joe, seconded by Ron. All in favor.

Old Business:

1. *Barrier Options End of Veteran's at Sheridan*

Mike reported that most traffic barriers are designed to put drivers back on the road. He suggested flashing red solar lights on top of the red diamond signs in place in this location. Street lights will also be in place at this intersection. In order to widen the warning area, t-posts with red reflectors will be installed and 2 flashing red solar lights will be installed on top of the red diamond warning signs. These extra posts will be put in place for more visibility and if a vehicle goes over the edge, the damaged posts would be an alert that someone may be trapped in their vehicle.

2. *S. Capitol and S. 4th Street One-Way to Two-Way Conversion Plan*

The conversion plan was put in place on Thursday. The signage and barrels are working well. The barrels will be taken out on the Monday before Christmas, December 23rd. Joe asked Lee Ann to contact the Postmaster about the mail drop box located on the east side of the 300 Block of S. 4th Street. (After the meeting, the Postmaster was contacted. He stated that he had not been aware of the traffic pattern change and he will have the mail drop box removed in that location as soon as he can make arrangements to get it done.)

New Business:

1. *Speed Limit Signage Hanna Drive*

Sue Hurd, 1840 Parkfield, 353-2277, was in attendance at the meeting for this agenda item. She is concerned with speeding on Hanna Drive. She requested more speed limit signs in both directions. She stated that speeding is most prominent during work traffic, mostly 5:00 to 7:00 a.m. and then again from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. She also brought up truck traffic on Hanna Drive. The committee explained to her that the number of signs there are adequate and truck traffic is being allowed there because Veteran's Drive is closed at this time. When Veteran's Drive reopens, the truck traffic will no longer be allowed to use Hanna Drive. Joe made a motion to leave the signage on Hanna Drive as is and enforcement of the speed limit will be stepped up. The motion was seconded by Kurt. All in favor. The police department will also check into installing the Speed Spy on Hanna Drive.

2. *Alley Between S. Capitol St. and S. 4th St.*

Jeff Brooks, Pekin Public Library was in attendance at the meeting for this agenda item. It was noted that in February of 2013, all alleys were deemed 2-way. Joe requested that any one-way alley signs still in place be taken down.

Around the Table

Mike reported that the installation of the sidewalk along Koch Street in the area of the sports complex is going very well.

Ron thanked everyone for the tornado clean up. It was a lot of work. Job well done by the city.

Bob stated that during the tornado aftermath, communication was the key.

Mike thanked Mike Eeten (police department PIO) for a job well done getting information out to the public.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lee Ann Wrhel

NEXT REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 3, 2014 @ 8:30 A.M.