



TOWN OF PORTOLA VALLEY

Bicycle, Pedestrian and Traffic Safety Committee Meeting

Wednesday January 9th, 2019

8:15 AM Historic Schoolhouse

765 Portola Road, Portola Valley, CA 94028

Bicycle, Pedestrian and Traffic Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

1 Roll Call

Kenny Chung, Angela Hey, Ed Holland (Chair), Bob Pierce and Kevin Welch attended. Gary Hanes and Deirdre McQuillan were unable to attend. Also, in attendance were Craig Hughes (Town Council Representative), Howard Young (Town Public Works Director), Gary Nielsen (Town Police Commissioner) and San Mateo County Sheriff's Office representative, Sergeant Andy Hui.

2 Oral Communications

It was noted there were bikes at the library affixed to the bike racks. The town will locate the parents and ask them to remove the bikes. Bob Pierce asked if there was a policy for how long people could leave property on town sites. Kenny Chung said on college campuses after a notice, if the bike is not removed, the institution will take the bike and then get rid of it.

3 Approve Minutes

The minutes of the November and December 2018 minutes meeting were unanimously approved, proposed by Ed, seconded by Kevin.

4 Sheriff's Report

4.1 Accidents and Citations

Sergeant Andy Hui reported that there were:

- Citations – 35
 - Speeding – 13
 - Stop Sign – 2
- Injury accident - 1 solo vehicle accident at 3:16 am December 7th. The driver – unfamiliar with the area - lost control of the car looking at the phone – Alpine at Golden Oak.

4.2 Rumble Strips

Kevin noted that the rumble strips are worn out on Alpine near 280. Howard can submit a comment to San Mateo and CalTrans – he encouraged committee members to do this too.

5 Public Works Report

5.1 Traffic Study Updates

Howard spoke to Paul Krupka, traffic consultant. Paul feels he has enough input from the public, but would like more input from the committee. Howard suggested that he and Paul present a preliminary report to the committee in February. Then produce a final report in March.

Ed suggested that comments from the public be cut off on 23rd January and that a notice go out to the forum about committee.

5.2 Storm Cleanup

The town's Public Works Department is working on storm cleanup.

6 2019 Outreach

6.1 Evening Meetings

Ed suggested an evening meeting in March, June and September.

6.2 Town Events

The committee is considering having a booth at Earth Day.

6.3 Budget Ideas

Items for the budget will be requested in March. Ed suggested we add bike racks to the budget later in the year. The budget proposal is due in April.

7 Matters Arising

7.1 Committee membership

Sharon Hanlon asked if people wanted to stay on the committee roster. Current members present agreed to stay on.

7.2 Speed Trailer

The two batteries are very weak – only good for 2 years. The solar panel has extended the time it has been working. Angela asked about the messaging. Gary Nielsen replied by saying he has a list of phrases, also Kevin has some. The committee will discuss further at the next meeting.

7.3 Traffic Coming Through Town

Bob noted that navigation systems, like Waze, are directing cars along Arastradero Road at rush hour. The committee noted they had discussed this in past meetings. Angela suggested that metering lights on 280 at Sand Hill might help as the real problem is cars trying to avoid congestion on 280.

7.4 Children Crossing at Roberts

Bob was concerned about people crossing the road at Roberts. He suggested that children cross at Indian Crossing and walk down the shoulder of the road. Other committee members noted that this option

was considered unsafe, particularly in the light of prior work done by Safe Routes to Schools which resulted in children using the trail alongside Portola Valley Ranch as they walk from Indian Crossing to Portola Road.

7.5 ASCC Members Invitation To Committee Meeting

Howard reminded the committee that they might like to invite ASCC members to some committee meetings.

8 Next Meeting

The next meeting is on Wednesday February 6th at 8:15 a.m. in the Schoolhouse.

9 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman, Ed Holland at 9:00 am.