

SIoux FALLS SCHOOLS TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



PATH COMMITTEE MEETING

November 12, 2009

9:00 AM

IPC Center Boardroom

I. CALL TO ORDER/ ATTENDANCE

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sgt. Galen Smidt, Heath Hoftiezer, Brandi Kowalczyk, Bill Smith, Teresa Boysen, Lisa Lewis-Huemoeller, Susan Foster, Darin Daby, Michelle Wolf, Kerry Larson, Denny Pottebaum

MEMBERS ABSENT

Steve Natz, Craig Smith, Sharon Chontos, Lt. Jerome Miller, Dallas Hofer, Diane Hall, Marilyn Buskohl, John Snobeck

GUESTS PRESENT

Betsy Odden-Minute recorder for this meeting

II. INTRODUCTIONS:

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES

- A motion was made by Darin Daby ; motion was seconded by Susan Foster. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. PUBLIC INPUT

N/A

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Police Department - No new business
- City Engineering
 - i. Fred Assam School Flasher Project – Project is let for Action Electric to install the flashers. Action Electric is securing the purchase of the equipment. Earliest to receive the equipment

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would be 15-18 days. We should start to see footings being installed and the flashers installed shortly after that.

Susan Foster reported to the committee that the Board of Education has approved the sidewalk. Health and Dallas will prepare the PATH map and work with the County to move the crosswalk.

- Private Schools
- Public Schools

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Police Department-Denny Pottebaum reported that there are some schools using safety belts and not the vests. The schools reported that they reorder every year. The respective Committee members will discuss this with their schools.
- City Engineering-Rosa Parks Map
 - i. Heath presented the Rosa Parks PATH Map. Heath explained that there will be a crosswalk across 41st Street right at Dubuque Ave for the children in the private roads of Pop Fly Place and Pennant Place. Bill Smith will check if there are any children still living in the Pop Fly Place. Some adjustments might need to be made. The map needs to include the bus route.
 - a. Motion to approve the Rosa Parks map with changes discussed was made by Teresa Boysen; motion was seconded by Darin Daby. Motion passed unanimously.
- Private Schools:
 - i. Michelle Wolf reported a near miss of a student outside of her school. The cross walk is clearly marked but is at the top of the hill. Police have been monitoring this cross walk and will continue to do so.

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- Public Schools:
 - i. Heath Hoftizer and Teresa Boysen attended a National Safe Routes to School Course at St. Mary's. This went into detail about the engineering, enforcement, and education regarding the Safe Routes to School Grant. This was a good opportunity to see what other communities are doing with the grant money. One program is in Brookings, the 4th and 5th grade and Middle School received bikes to use in Physical Education classes. They will take them out biking in PE and teach them how to work on the bikes in other classes.
 - ii. Denny Pottebaum also advised the committee that the State Penitentiary has bicycles to give away. Any unclaimed bicycles picked up in the city goes to the penitentiary to get worked on and are free for anyone who may need them.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

- The next meeting will be held on December 10 at the IPC Building.
- Meeting was adjourned at 9:26 a.m.