

PORA Roads, Safety and Traffic Committee October 24, 2012 Minutes

Attendees:

PORA: Merlyn Carlson Chairman, Del Young, John Anderson, Jim West, Del Young.

POSSE: John Merkel

MCDOT: John Counts, Daniel Clements, Rick Boeger, & John Shi.

MCSO: Sgt. Polly White

ADOT: None

1. Meeting called to order at 1:32pm by Merlyn Carlson
2. Introduction / Welcome
3. Minutes of September 26, 2012 approved as amended.

4. Current Updates:

Merlyn Carlson, Chairman: We have just received the new Safety brochure from the printer. Adultcare Assistance Homecare took care of the printing costs. The Posse will be putting them in their October mailing, to go out to all households in SCW. We hope to get them out to all SCW residents.

MCDOT:

Rick Boeger, Manager of the Pavement Management program for MCDOT.

- Presented a pavement preservation planning overview. This program has been around since the mid-1980s. The design life of a road, if we do little to no maintenance, is about 20 years. MCDOT practice with our pavement preservation plan is too periodically, at predetermined intervals, do maintenance. preservative seal, chip seal, crack seal & chip seal on local streets in SCW; we use slurry seal and reconstruction. By doing preventive maintenance we can project the road out past 30 - 40 years before we need to mill and resurface. The reconstruction cost can be four times the maintenance cost.
- From 2010 to 2015, in five years, we will have maintained, resurfaced, or reconstructed every road in SCW.

Q: Jim West: Is it possible MCDOT has not resurfaced all the cul-de-sacs?

A: Rick Boeger: Yes, sometimes they don't show up on the data base. If you are aware of any please let Dan Clements know so we can add them on the next program.

Q: Merlyn Carlson: What is the timeline on the Bell Rd. and El Mirage intersection modification?

A: John Counts: It will be starting construction November 2013 till April 2014. We have a small window of time because of the bats in the culvert.

Q: Merlyn Carlson: Do you have any information on the Williams Dr. / Deer Valley Rd: El Mirage Road to 109th Ave. roadway project?

A: John Counts: that project is about 90% planned now, and I will have more information at the next meeting.

Dan Clememts MCDOT:

- They will be starting the slurry seal sometime around Nov. 12, west of 151st and north of RH Johnson area. I will have more on this next month.
- We are having the weeds along the entire perimeter walls sprayed; old El Mirage Deer Valley Rd have already been sprayed. New El Mirage Rd. Bell Rd. and the wall that runs along the 303 will be sprayed soon.

John Counts MCDOT:

- The POSSE asked me to look at the signal timing at RH Johnson and Stardust and Whispering Oaks and we can't find anything wrong.

John Merkel POSSE:

- I did call again with MCSO to county dispatch, and someone came out to take a look. After checking it out, he felt that someone down town had put a command override on it. He was on the phone to them for about 20 minutes and did seem to fix the problem. It may have been corrected just before you checked on it.
- I was asked to check the speed cars are traveling on Granite Valley Dr. by the hospital early in the morning. I have been there for three hours one day and checking several other mornings, and at other times of day. At this time I cannot see a definite speeding problem. I will continue to monitor when time allows.
- The Posse radar group has started looking at accident history at all intersections, trying to identify problem intersections. When we find a problem intersection we will be looking to see what can be done to make the intersection safer. This is very preliminary at this time. As we get more information together we will be seeing days of the week, times etc. to see if we can find a pattern. A sightline problem with a bush on Conquistador and RH Johnson was found. We called the Prides; they came and took care of the problem in about 20 minutes.

MCSO: No update

4. Old Business:

Q: Merlyn Carlson: What is the time line on the traffic lights and pedestrian lights pending?

A: John Count: There are four. Three pedestrian lights: All scheduled to start between January and March 2013.

1. RH Johnson and 138th
2. Camino del Sol and 138th,
3. Granite Valley and Mantor Ln. by Del Webb Hospital.
4. One traffic light at Granite Valley and Dachtler in front of the Del Webb Hospital.

5. New Business

Linda Best: Would like to make sure the Safety First brochures are available to all SCW residents. Have the brochures out at the all golf courses, POSSE, MCSO office.

6. Adjournment at 2:15pm

Next Meeting: January 23, 2013 (No November or December 2012 meetings)