

PORA Roads, Safety and Traffic Committee April 22, 2015, Minutes

Attendees: Merlyn Carlson / Chairman, Rob Robbins, James West, Harry Abramowski, MCSO Polly White, Posse John Merkel, MCDOT John Counts and Dan Clements.

1. Meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. Merlyn Carlson
2. Minutes of March 25, 2015 Merlyn Carlson
Motion by Jim West: to approve the minutes as corrected was seconded and passed unanimously

3. Current Updates:

MCSO: Sgt. Polly White

- The Posse golf cart seat belt event went very well. MCSO installed about 250 seat belts on Tuesday and 130 golf cart inspections.
- Several MCSO Deputies have been out in Sun City and Sun City West. They were targeting areas that were reported to have a lot of speeders. Surprisingly, they didn't give as many tickets in Sun City West as they expected to.

SCW Sheriff's Posse: John Merkel:

- The golf cart seat belt event went well. We are looking forward to doing another in the fall.
- I will have my accident analyses completed for the next meeting.
- I have noticed that Meeker and RH Johnson intersection had ten accidents last year.
- The new traffic signal at 138th and RH Johnson, by the new Fry's Grocery store, had five accidents in 2014. All five were after the traffic signal was installed.

Merlyn Carlson:

Our Traffic committee, Harry Abramowski, Rob Robbins, and I met with ADOT: Megan Griego yesterday.

- We primarily talked about the Bell Rd and Grand (U.S. 60) project. The project is due to start in late 2015 with a projected completion in the fall of 2017, about 18 months.
- The project will be a design build project. This is the early stages of the project. We will be actively involved.
- We also talked about traffic enforcement. If our community is getting extra traffic during the construction more public safety officers will be assigned to SCW.

MCDOT: Dan Clements

- The preservative seal and the slurry seal projects have been completed.

- There is one issue up at Via Montoya and 154 Ave., an HOA was doing some landscaping, moving rocks, and made a mess of the street surface with a bobcat or skip loader.
- Fiber optic cables going down RH Johnson project is to link all the traffic signals to the traffic center. This project should be completed by August.

Merlyn Carlson:

I received a request to look at Parkwood and 125 Ave. possible four-way stop needed.

Harry Abramowski:

Would you take a look at the cul-de-sac at 135th north of Stardust, there are a lot of cracks in the road, also a lot of weeds.

MCDOT: John Counts

- Spanish Garden and Aleppo Dr. intersection will become a four way stop.
- Meeker eastbound, right turn onto Camino del Sol southbound will be getting a dedicated right turn lane.
- The following: Deer Valley at 151st, Heritage at 151st along with Stardust at Echo Mesa and Heritage Dr. did not meet warrants for traffic signal.
- We are still looking at the intersection of RH Johnson and 128 Ave. dedicated left turn signal. We had a problem with our traffic counter.

Merlyn Carlson:

The map we have showing volume of traffic in 2010, can we get an update?

MCDOT: John Counts:

I will get you a new map.

John Merkel:

Will you take a look at the Camino del Sol and RH Johnson intersection. The left turn lane on eastbound Camino del Sol seems to be holding a little long.

Mary Knight:

The Memory Center on the corner of 128 Ave and Beardsley had several visitors on Easter, the cars were parked on Beardsley blocking the lane.

5. Old Business:

6. New Business:

7. Comments from visitors:

8. Adjournment: 2:40 p.m.

9. Next Meeting: **May 27, 2015 @ 1:30 p.m.**