

PORA Roads, Traffic, Safety and Transportation Committee January 27, 2016 1:30 p.m. Minutes

Attendees: Rob Robbins/ Chairman, Harry Abramowski, Jim West, Bob Garrett, Greg Swift, Sgt. Polly White/ MCSO, John Merkel/ Sherriff's Posse, Brock Barnhart/ ADOT, John Counts/ MCDOT, Cathy Chandler/ NVC.

1. Introduction/ Welcome Rob Robbins
2. Minutes of October 28, 2015, November 18, 2015, Rob Robbins
and December 16, 2015 for approval.

Motion by Bob Garrett: to approve the October 28nd, November 18th and the December 16th minutes was seconded and passed unanimously.

3. Current Updates:

ADOT – Brock Barnhart:

- A PowerPoint presentation of the Bell and Grand interchange was given.
- A model of the interchange as it will look on completion was displayed.
- Bell Road and Grand (U.S. 60) construction will start on January 29, 2016, April 1st Bell Road will be fully closed at Grand. This should be a 14 month project.
- ADOT will be relocating 134th Drive to 134th Ave. the traffic signal will also relocate to 134th Ave. this will be in alignment with the park and ride lot on the south side of Bell Rd.
- For more information go to ADOT website: www.azdot.gov/bellandgrand .
- The design team is Coffman Specialties Inc.
- Preferred detours will be Dysart to Greenway Rd. to Litchfield, and El Mirage Rd. to 303.
- We cannot prohibit cars from using RH Johnson, but we have put in a line item into the contract to provide resources to MCSO for added enforcement.

SCW Posse- John Merkel:

- We have already requested that MCDOT do some traffic and speed counts prior to Bell Rd. closing on all the street coming into Sun City West.
- If residents do see problems in the community let us know where and when you are seeing problems. Then we will follow-up.

MCSO – Sgt. Polly White:

- The seat belt installations for golf carts went very well. We ran out of seat belts.

Q: Visitor Question: Will this be a regular event and how was this funded?

A: Rob Robbins: At this time there are no plans.

MCDOT – John Counts:

- We have finished 128th Ave. between Banyan Dr. and Marble Dr. where we put the no parking signs on both sides of the road.

Rob Robbins: would MCDOT take a look at:

- Stardust and Echo Mesa there is property with no sidewalk around the Church parking lot.
- I have a complaint regarding the traffic signal at Meeker and Granite Valley Dr. cars can't turn left.

Q: Harry Abramowski: No sidewalk on Meeker Blvd. by the hospital going to Grand Ave.

A: MCDOT John Counts: Those sidewalks were removed when the train quiet zone was implemented as part of the rules.

A: ADOT Brock Barnhart: We removed the sidewalks for the train quiet zone also. Money would have to be found for a pedestrian overpass.

NVC - Cathy Chandler:

- We are working on Valley Metro Dial-a-Ride project for A.D.A. (Americans with Disabilities) they can ride anywhere in the valley without having to transfer. This may be approved as early as July 1st.

4. Old Business:

Rob Robbins: we are working on:

- a. Slow down signs project: We need to move forward and get a design, and placement of signs. Harry Abramowski and Bob Garrett will work on.

5. New Business:

6. Adjournment at 2:35 p.m.

7. Next Meeting: Wed. February 24, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.