

**CITY OF HAYDEN LAKE
MINUTES OF SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING
FEBRUARY 11, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Morris called the special workshop to order at 4:00 p.m. This workshop is to discuss the cities streets and the capital improvement plan for the city. Council members present were Todd Walker, Chris Beck and Tom Gorman. Council member Bob Grant was absent. Larry Comer, Pete Bredeson, Dick Pelton, and Matt Gillis were present as representatives of the City. Visitors present were William Bentz and Eric from Lakes Highway District. Lynn Hagman recorded the minutes of the meeting.

Larry Comer began the discussion with the history of the previous capital improvement plan that was done for the city in 2005. Mr. Comer reviewed the priorities for pedestrian safety improvement, intersection safety, traffic calming improvements and islands and bicycle paths.

Matt Gillis spoke to the council about pedestrian circulation, where are people going and how can we provide facilities for them. Mr. Gillis informed the council of two categories for traffic calming, one is enforcement and education and the other is physical obstruction. The enforcement and education would be signage, additional patrolling and radar. The physical obstruction would include speed humps, chokers to narrow the streets in places, chicane which would add a curve to a straight street using islands, or traffic circles which eliminates running stop signs and reduces accident severity and roundabouts, which improves intersection capacity and enhanced safety. Some of these solutions have disadvantages such as slowing emergency vehicles, difficult for large vehicles, bicyclist safety

Mr. Gillis then introduces examples of monuments for city entrances. Councilman Gorman felt that it only made sense that the city would incorporate the monument into the calming device if it allowed. Councilman Beck would like to enhance the intersections and define a sense of place at the same time.

Council discussed a four way stop at Hayden Ave. and Strahorn Rd. Councilman Beck would like to explore this further. Larry Comer discussed islands on Strahorn Rd. and Hayden Ave.

Councilman Walker reminded the council of the comprehensive plan survey results; many people were concerned with bicycle and pedestrian path safety. Councilman Gorman questioned delineating bicycle paths. Larry Comer stated that this can be done by stripping and signage. Mr. Comer felt that more research needs to be done for the bicycle path on Lakeview Dr. Councilman Beck questioned if the minimum street width was 20'. Mr. Comer replied it was.

Councilman Gorman informed the council that citizens on Strahorn Rd. have voiced their preference in having Strahorn Rd. a one way going south. Eric from LHD felt that one way streets cause an increase in speed and it would be counter productive unless calming devices were incorporated. Councilman Gorman questioned if LHD would do 20' wide. Eric stated that LHD does not want to slow the traffic but to control the flow of traffic.

Larry Comer felt that storm water could be a concern on Lakeview Dr. Councilman Beck suggested the council concentrate on the intersections and traffic calming. Eric stated that if the city has a one way street going south, we also would need a one way street going north. Eric informed the council that the KMPO traffic model is a large model and the city needs to do a traffic study specific to Strahorn Rd. Eric explained how such a traffic study is done. Councilman Walker felt that the priority intersection was Strahorn Rd. and Hayden Ave.

Mayor Morris questioned the intersection at Lakeview and Rimrock and if Lakes Highway District was going to do any improvements there. Eric informed the council that Lakes Highway District did not get the grant that they had applied for and the proposed roundabout for that intersection was included in the proposed grant. It has now been taken off the capital improvement list.

Matt Gillis suggested the council prioritize the intersections. Councilman Gorman felt that the pedestrian/bicycle path needs to be included. Larry Comer stated that the plan will include using the right of way. Mr. Gillis informed the council that the Strahorn Rd. and Miles Ave. intersection and Strahorn Rd. and Hayden Ave. intersection are already under contract

Councilman Walker will work on the entrance design using the rock such as we have in the front of the building. Councilman Beck suggested citizen involvement in this process.

Mayor Morris rescheduled the March 15th meeting to March 22nd at 4:00 p.m. to give Mr. Comer and Mr. Gillis time to draft proposals for the council.

With no further business before the council, at 5:55 p.m. Mayor Morris adjourned the meeting.

Nancy E. Morris, MAYOR

Lynn M. Hagman, CITY CLERK