

TRAFFIC COMMISSION  
Minutes  
612 North Main  
Mitchell SD 57301  
June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Chairman Lyndon Overweg called the meeting of the Traffic Commission for the City of Mitchell to order at 6:03pm on Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in the Mitchell City Council Chambers.

**PRESENT**

Chairman Lyndon Overweg	Councilperson Jeff Smith	Councilperson Dan Allen
Councilperson Steve Rice	Councilperson Kevin McCardle	
Ex-officio Dick Figland	Assistant Chief Koster	

**AGENDA**

Chairman Overweg requested approval of the **Agenda** for this meeting June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Councilperson Allen made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilperson McCardle seconded the motion with all members voting aye.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Mitchell Area Development Corporation requests a change of signage in the public parking lot behind the Chamber. There are currently four “30 Minute” parking spaces Monday – Friday, 8:00am to 5:00pm. It is requested that one of the restricted parking signs be removed completely and the other three restricted parking signs be changed from “30 Minutes” to one hour parking Monday - Friday, 8:00am – 5:00pm.**

Councilperson Rice asked if the change is a better fit for the use of the signage. Laurie Cooper from the Mitchell Area Development Corporation showed pictures of the current signage with no one parking in the restricted areas. Laurie stated that she has spoken to the renter, Diane Kenkel and Diane agrees with the change. Laurie commented that the parking lot can be full but no one parks in the current restricted parking. She stated that visitors going to the Corn Palace and the clinic may not feel that they can go through the Corn Palace or get out of the clinic in a half hour.

Councilperson Rice made a motion to approve the request. Councilperson Allen seconded the motion with all members voting aye.

- 2. The Corn Palace Festival Committee is requesting the following street and parking lot closures for Corn Palace Festival: North Main Street and a half block each direction from 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> on Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30am to Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:30am. Closure of the west half of the City Hall Parking Lot from 4:30am on Tuesday August 21<sup>st</sup> to 4:30am on Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup>. Closure of the 5<sup>th</sup> and Main Parking lot on Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30am to Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at noon. Closure of the Northwestern Parking Lot on Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30am to Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at noon. Allowing overnight camping in the Disco Lot (800 N. Lawler) for carnival company workers. It is also requested to block a half block east on the 100 block of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Main from 3:30pm Monday August 20<sup>th</sup> to 12 noon on Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> for the Goldstar Amusement Box Office/Administrative offices.**

Councilperson Smith made a motion to approve the request. Councilperson McCardle seconded the motion with all members voting aye.

- 3. Request from Susan Galpin for a “No Parking Zone” in front of her house/mail boxes located at 1529 Country Drive. Due to an ongoing issue of a resident parking in front of her mailboxes she has been unable to receive mail and packages. (See attached letter with photos).**

Councilperson Smith asked if there was an ordinance for blocking mailboxes. Chief Overweg informed the group that there is currently not an ordinance in place restricting parking in front of mailboxes. Councilperson Smith asked if there are any federal guidelines. Chief Overweg stated that the Post Office does not have to deliver mail if the mailboxes are blocked. If the Post Office does not deliver a residents mail due to the mailboxes being blocked the resident has to go to the Post Office to pick up their mail. Councilperson Allen mentioned that there is an ordinance that restricts parking of vehicles over 28ft on the street. Susan Galpin informed the group that she has not been able to receive her mail and packages when her neighbor parks in front of her mailbox. Photos were displayed that showed her neighbors vehicle parked in front of Susan’s mailbox. Casey Paul addressed the group and stated he is the neighbor who lives next door. Casey apologized in regards to the parking in front of the mailbox and explained that he normally parks in the empty lot and this is not an ongoing issue, however, in this instance he had parked in front of the mailbox and didn’t get it moved. Casey stated that if this is restricted then all other mailboxes should have restricted parking too. Susan addressed the group again and stated that this has been an ongoing problem and that there had been notes from the Post Office and then it stopped for a while and it has now become a problem again. Susan stated that Casey has parked in front of her mailbox from Wednesday through Monday, which prevents her from getting her mail. It was stated that he blocks his own mailbox. Casey stated that there had been a Friday that he had parked in front of the mailboxes; however, this was due to a family member needing to go to the doctor and he didn’t get the truck moved. Casey stated he was not parked in front of the mailboxes from Wednesday through Monday. Casey also stated that it is hard to know when the mail will be delivered as it can vary between 11:00am and 4:00pm. Amber Goldammer addressed the group and stated she is on the eastside of Casey’s and has three mailboxes in front of her house. Amber commented that he hasn’t parked in front of her mailboxes and hasn’t had an issue as Casey normally parks in the empty lot. Amber opposes painting the curb. Josh Moore addressed the group and commented that he has had parking in front of his mailbox and didn’t get his mail. Councilperson Smith asked Casey if he would be parking in the empty lot. Casey said he would park in the empty lot. Councilperson Rice stated that there are times when there is an event by at the City Park that is by his house and there are times when people park in front of his house and his mail isn’t delivered. Councilperson Rice commented that it does happen and that if one is painted then there would be hundreds of locations that would need to be painted throughout town.

Councilperson Smith made a motion to table the request to monitor the area for a month and bring the request back for an update to the July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 traffic commission meeting. Councilperson Allen seconded the motion with all members voting aye.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilperson Allen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:18pm.  
Councilperson Rice seconded the motion with all members voting aye.

The next Traffic Commission meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The time will be announced at a later date.

Minutes prepared by Cindy Titze.