

Location of meeting - London Lodge Saloon

Committee members present at meeting: Archie, BeBe, Chuck, Jerry, Marge, Nick, Stacey

### Summary

- 1: Overview of traffic issues
- 2: Update on HWY 12 and Arnold Dr
- 3: Glen Ellen Fair booth planning
- 4: Madrone Rd SPEEDING
- 5: Glen Ellen movable digital speed sign request

#### 1: Overview of traffic issues:

- \* Speeding continues to be a problem especially on Madrone Rd in the residential area, Warm Springs Rd, and sections of Arnold Dr.
- \* Traffic noise. Examples are excessive acceleration from stop signs, "showboating" = revving of engine then rapid acceleration squealing tires.
- \* Pedestrian and bicycle safety

#### 2: Update on HWY 12 and Arnold Dr

Nick shared the correspondence from Andrew at the County Transportation and Roads Division. CalTrans proposes to add striping creating a division for right turns onto Dunbar Rd.

Unfortunately this does not address the traffic safety issue we discussed.

The issue is for E/B traffic on HWY 12 turning S/B onto Arnold Dr when the traffic is stopped for the red signal. Drivers use the shoulder to drive in to make a right turn onto Arnold. This area is striped making it illegal to drive in. The hazard occurs when drivers in the legal traffic lane turn right, they are at risk of being hit by vehicles traveling in the shoulder. Additional hazard is when the legally turning vehicle then turns right onto Dunbar Road, the risk of collision is increased.

One suggested solution is to make the shoulder a designated right turn lane. If this is not possible, perhaps a No Turn on Red is needed to stop the improper flow. Increased enforcement is another option however there is not enough resources.

Nick is going to respond to the county with our concerns.

3: We discussed our desire to have space in a booth to share traffic safety awareness. We will have the "Slow Down" signs and t-shirts available for a donation, and committee members will be there to discuss traffic concerns.

4: Madrone Rd has a history of speeding problems. The county repaved and re-striped the road intending for the improvements to deter drivers from speeding. They recently conducted a speed analysis and determined the speed limit should increase from 25 MPH to 30 MPH. This increase would make it more likely the CHP will be able to do more speed enforcement with LIDAR and RADAR tools.

Last April the Traffic and Safety Committee conducted several speed surveys recording numerous vehicles in excess of 45 MPH in the 25 MPH zone. We requested the county install a digital interactive speed sign to alert drivers of their speed. No word yet from the county.

This discussion led to several actions the committee will undertake in the next few months.

- \* Committee members will use the handheld radar unit and will use hand held signs to share the speeds with the drivers as they drive by. "Glen Alien's human speed board"

- \* Speed awareness education will be focused on Madrone Rd. We will invite the media to help educate commuters.

- \* Emphasis at the fair booth will be to encourage all drivers to drive no faster than the posted speed limit

- \* Speed surveys will be resumed in problem areas and results posted on the Forum website. These surveys are also shared with CHP.

5: Glen Ellen movable digital speed sign request has not been answered by the County Transportation and Roads Division. Last May when we met with the county we asked for permission to purchase our own digital speed sign that we would be able to move to different problem locations. This sign would work in areas that have no shoulder such as Warm Springs Rd, as it would be mounted to a pole.

Nick is going to request an update from the county.

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