

A G E N D A

**ADVISORY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING
July 18, 2018 at 10:00 am
at City Hall in the Committee Room**

PRESENT: _____

A. DELEGATIONS

B. REVIEW PREVIOUS MINUTES

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Email from Kirk McPhail via Mayor Ruttan on March 7, 2018, expressing thanks for erecting signage and painting a crosswalk on Kendall Avenue, linking the 2 walkways used by school children at Wood Elementary and A.D.S.S. (See attachment)**

2. **Letter dated May 1, 2018 from AW Neill Parent Advisory Committee, requesting the City extend the school zone or erect another sign nearer Gertrude Street. The P.A.C. is also requesting a solar powered flashing light at the crosswalk and an additional crosswalk installed near the street parking on Compton Road closer to the school building. (See attachment)**

3. **A request from Principal Rachelle Warman of John Paul II Catholic School for some changes to parking and additional crosswalks surrounding the school grounds. (See attachment)**

DISCUSSION

SCHEDULE OF MEETING DATES FOR 2018:

July 18, 2018
October 17, 2018

DISTRIBUTION

Councillor Ron Paulson
Councillor Denis Sauvè (alternate)
Tim Pley – CAO
Davina Hartwell - City Clerk
Wilf Taekema, Director of Engineering and Public Works
Scott Smith, Director of Development Services
Flynn Scott, Manager of Bylaw Services
Willa Thorpe, Director of Parks, Recreation and Heritage
Sgt. Dave Boyce – R.C.M.P.
Wes Patterson, Deputy Fire Chief - Fire Department
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Bill Brown – cyclist, email agenda to billtbrown@shaw.ca
Kevin Head – cyclist, email agenda to kevin.head@gmail.com

Veronica Irg

From: Timothy Pley
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 6:56 PM
To: Scott Smith; Brian HUNTER; Veronica Irg; Wilf Taekema
Subject: Fwd: New pedestrian crosswalk on Kendall Ave. [between Huff Drive and King]

Fyi

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Mike Ruttan <mike_ruttan@portalberni.ca>
Date: March 7, 2018 at 5:07:23 PM PST
To: Kirk McPhail <kirkmcphail@gmail.com>
Cc: Timothy Pley <timothy_pley@portalberni.ca>
Subject: Re: New pedestrian crosswalk on Kendall Ave. [between Huff Drive and King]

Thank you, Kirk, for the input. I'll pass this onto the traffic committee.

Best regards.

Mike

Mayor Mike Ruttan
City of Port Alberni

Office: 250-720-2827
Fax: 250-723-1003
Email: mike_ruttan@portalberni.ca

From: Kirk McPhail
Sent: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 4:34 PM
To: Mike Ruttan
Subject: New pedestrian crosswalk on Kendall Ave. [between Huff Drive and King]

Mayor Mike Ruttan,

I am pleased that the city has finally decided to erect signage and paint a crosswalk in this area.

Being a high pedestrian crossing by the high school students and residents, it is warranted.

I had pointed this out about a year ago to one councillor, my concerns about the high speed traffic on this 'second crossing' to the other side of town.

I never recieved acknowledgement, nor was there any action since then.

No matter, for some reason, it is now coming into effect.

Kendall Ave. is the other access to north Port Alberni.

It is a high speed driving area.

Parking is on both sides of Kendall Ave.

Traffic enforcement is...non existant.*

All could lead to a serious accidents.

I would suggest further, that the city consider, when repainting the center line down Kendall Ave., that it be a double solid line.

Traffic at present drives both sides of the roadway, maybe police enforcement or ticketing those that travel over the double solid and back, could make a difference?

Thank you in advance,

Selkirk McPhail

4201 Kendall Ave.

Port Alberni BC

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*I walk the track almost every morning.

Before school started in September, media was taking pics, shown on the local paper, on how they police were ready for the school opening.

As I mentioned, I am at the track almost every day; **there has never been police presence in the school zone whenever I walk.**

Now, I realize the local RCMP is overcome solving local break-in crimes, but at the lack of enforcing school zones?

How about cars at school zones every morning,...ah, before coffee break at Hortons?

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" A contradiction cannot exist in reality ".

May 1, 2018

Engineering and City Works

4150 6th Avenue

Port Alberni, B.C.

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MAY 07 2018

CITY OF PORT ALBERNI

Attn: Director of Engineering and City Works

RE: school zone and crosswalk safety concerns

As members of the Parent Advisory Committee at A.W. Neill Elementary School, we feel it is time to improve the pedestrian safety for our students. The location of the school zone sign on the corner of Compton Rd is too often noticed not seen until the last minute and drivers must stop within seconds for the pedestrians on the crosswalk. This crosswalk is very busy area during school drop off and pick-up. For this reason we are concerned for the safety of the students.

We would like to ask you to consider extending the school zone to extend beyond the corner of Compton Road onto Gertrude Street nearer the bridge. We have been advised that the sign meets the regulations put forth from ICBC but ask that reconsideration be made because of the sharp corner. If the school zone cannot be moved nearer the Gertrude Street Bridge we ask that consideration be made to have a warning sign before the corner to let drivers know there is a school zone approaching. In addition we would ask for a solar powered flashing light at the crosswalk.

Finally, we would greatly appreciate an additional cross walk put near the street parking that happens on both sides of Compton Road much closer to the school building itself.

Although an incident has not happened as of yet, we are concerned it may sometime soon as this is an Elementary School now not a Middle School.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

A.W. Neill Parent Advisory Committee

Veronica Irg

From: Wilf Taekema
Sent: Thursday, July 12, 2018 11:35 AM
To: Veronica Irg
Subject: FW: letter from AW Neill PAC

From: Ron Behnke [<mailto:rbehnke@sd70.bc.ca>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 08, 2018 7:56 AM
To: Wilf Taekema
Subject: RE: letter from AW Neill PAC

Thanks Wilf for your work on this concern. I will forward to our PAC.

Regards,
Ron

From: Wilf Taekema [<mailto:wilf.taekema@portalberni.ca>]
Sent: Monday, May 07, 2018 4:51 PM
To: Ron Behnke <rbehnke@sd70.bc.ca>
Subject: FW: letter from AW Neill PAC

Hi Ron; I received the attached letter from the PAC today. I'm not sure if you've noticed, but since we spoke last we have installed an additional school zone sign just off the north side of the bridge in advance of the curve in question. The other request for an additional crosswalk I will bring to the next Advisory Traffic Committee meeting, scheduled for July 18th.

Is there a chance you could pass this info on to the PAC?

Thanks,

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