**Orting Public Safety Committee Meeting**

**Multi-Purpose Room**

**April 5, 2019**

**ATTENDANCE** John Kelly, Co-Chair/Councilmember

Mark Bethune, City Administrator

 Kristin Swanson, Police Clerk

 Lt. Ed Turner, Orting Police

**Call to Order at 9:30 AM**

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**Approval of April, 2019 Minutes**

**SR 162/128th ST Interstate Control Evaluation**

**Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT)**

* Personnel from the WSDOT provided the committee with a presentation on their current Intersection Control Evaluation (ICE) process regarding SR162/128th.
* Goal of the process is to provide a consistent framework to determine the most compatible intersection control type for the location, context, economics and balance of performance needs.
* ICE evaluates the operational and safety performance for various appropriate and feasible intersection control types under consideration.
* WSDOT is currently looking at a roundabout for this location because they believe it will optimize efficiency and safety.
* Statistics provided showed roundabouts reduce injury crashes by75%, fatality crashes by 90% and reduce traffic delays by 89%.
* They stated that existing roundabouts we have in our region require virtually no maintenance and yield few complaints.
* They reported that the roundabout will be designed to accommodate heavy truck usage.
* Platoons on ST 162 will be broken up by side street traffic.
* The roundabout will accommodate pedestrians and also enhance the current trail.
* Per WSDOT, a public hearing will likely take place to further address plans, questions and public concerns regarding this project.

**Fireworks**

* Will be discussed at a future meeting.

**Citizen Input**

* Much debate was generated regarding the roundabout and the following questions were raised: concern over its size, lack of room for emergency responders and trucks being too large to properly navigate.

**Agenda for Next Committee Meeting**

**Meeting Adjourned at 11:12 AM**