

## **DODGE COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION**

**October 8, 2018**

Members Present: Joel Kiesow, Dodge County Traffic Safety Coordinator; Sheriff Dale Schmidt and Captain Chad Enright, DOSO; Ryan Mayer, WISDOT; Joe Davis Sr. and Trace Frost, WISDOT BOTS; Chief Dave Beal, Juneau PD; Dep Chief Rasch, Waupun PD; Lt Brandon Stommel, Beaver Dam PD; Dep Chief Matthew Christian, Beaver Dam FD; Mary Wendel, Division of Community Corrections.

Also present were Mitch Peters, Advanced Towing, and Judy Haddad, citizen.

Members absent and excused: Pete Thompson, Dodge County Highway Department; E. Phillip Witkiewicz, Wisconsin State Patrol; Dennis Kaczor HNR Schools; Rob Kocinski.

The meeting was called to order by Kiesow at 9:33am.

The minutes from the July 9, 2018 meeting were approved on a motion by Christian and second by Beal.

### **Old Business**

1. Hwy 26 and Hwy 33 stop sign obstruction. DOT has not completed this. Mayer advised the Sign Department now re-sign entire highway stretches, not one sign at a time.
2. Pete Thompson is working on an ordinance for a no parking zone on County S. This is tabled until the ordinance is completed.
3. Mayer advised the speed study has not been completed on Hwy 26 and Hwy 151 near the new truck stop in Waupun. This will be completed in the near future.
4. The Sheriff's Office is currently monitoring Hwy 33 near Grove Rd for the no passing zone extension request. Additional data is needed.
5. Mayer advised he made contact with the bus company and was advised there are no children being pick up by a school bus on Hwy 33 near County P. The sign will be removed.
6. At a recent meeting Dodge County Law Executives discussed documenting the point of last drink for all OWI arrests in Dodge County. The results will be presented in 2019.

### **New Business**

1. Deputy Coordinator Position – Captain Chad Enright advised he was interested in the position and also advised he thinks this position should stay with the Sheriff's Office as they gather all the info in regards to the fatal crashed from the Sheriff's Office Crash Team and other investigating deputies. Rasch made a motion to approve Enright and Biel seconded. All members present approved.

**Fatal Crash Review** - There were 3 fatal crashes and 4 fatalities in the third quarter. There have been 7 fatalities year to date-October 8.

1. On 7/04/18, a head on crash occurred at approximately 2:30pm on STH 16 east of Water St in the Town of Emmet. The committee reviewed the video and crash report data. Kyle

- N Kuehl 21 year of age from Watertown, WI died at the scene. Alcohol was present in the toxicology results.
2. On 7/13/18, a head on crash occurred at approximately 4:00pm on STH 19 at North St in the Town of Portland. The committee reviewed the video and crash report data. Kaley Gray 21 years of age and Jose Perez Martinez 21 years of age, both from Waterloo, WI died at the scene. Toxicology results are not available yet.
  3. On 8/07/18, a motor cycle crash occurred on CTH R south of Smith Rd. between the hours of 7:40pm and 12:00am. The crash was reported on 8/08/18 after the scene was located. The committee reviewed the video and crash report data. David M Conforti 56 years of age from Hartford, WI died at the scene.

## Reports

1. BOTS

Davis advises traffic grants are available and agencies can apply for them currently for 2019. Davis advises the seatbelt funding has dropped by 30% for Dodge County. Davis advises a speed grant analysis is targeted for January, 2019

Frost advises there has been 452 fatalities up to this point in 2018, compared to 469 at this point in 2017. There were 594 fatalities in 2017 compared to 588 in 2016. Frost also presented on the anatomy of Dodge County.

2. DOT

Mayer advised that he recently attended a local meeting in regards to the roundabout that is being planned for the intersection of STH 28/67 @ STH 175 just north of Theresa. Mayer advised the plan was well received and an all way stop intersection will be installed at the intersection in the near future, until the roundabout can be constructed. The roundabout construction is targeted for 2022.

3. County Highway  
Absent/Excused

4. Public Comments

Judy Haddad attended and advised that she was involved in a crash in 2014 on County Road A near Indian Hills Rd. She advised her son died in this crash and this was a meeting she always wanted to attend.

Christian advises there is a lot of ATV roadway/trail traffic in the Lowell and Clyman area. Sheriff Schmidt advised that the recreational deputy is working with the ATV Clubs in regards to safety and numerous townships have already approved roads to be ATV trails throughout the county.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2019 at 9:30am in the Training Room of the Dodge County Sheriff's Office.

Meeting adjourned 11:05am  
Jeremy Rasch

Approved Jan. 14, 2019  
Electronically signed: Joel Kiesow