

DODGE COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

April 8, 2013

Members present: Trace Frost, DOSO; Bob Sell, Dodge County Traffic Safety Coordinator; Graham Heitz, Wisconsin DOT, Matt Aslesen, State Patrol RPM, Pete Thompson, Dodge County Highway Department; Jim Van Erem, Beaver Dam Police Department, and Randy Kind, Wisconsin State Patrol. Also present was Eugene Goodearle.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Bob Sell at 9:30 am in Chairman Yaroch's absence.
 - A. The minutes from January 14, 2013 meeting were approved as presented.
- II. Fatal crash review, 1st quarter of 2013.
 - A. There were 3 fatal crashes with 3 fatalities in the 1st quarter of 2013. Commission reviewed video of crash on CTH O north of Roosevelt Road. A southbound driver failed to maintain control, ran off road and rolled over multiple times. No weather or road conditions were attributed to the crash. BAC results were not available yet. Driver was not wearing safety belt.
 - B. Reviewed video of crash on STH 26 near Five Mile Road. A driver crossed the centerline near a curve and struck a semi and trailer head on. No weather or road conditions were attributed to the crash. Driver was not wearing safety belt.
 - C. Reviewed video from crash on STH 60 at driveway to Quad Graphics in City of Hartford. After stopping, driver pulled into path of oncoming vehicle and was struck in driver's door. Visibility may have been hampered by the rising sun. Driver was wearing safety belt.
- III. Old Business
 - A. STH 89/CTH T/Dahlman Rd. Graham spoke of the DOT review of signage at this intersection. Pavement marking was updated in 2009 prior to Farm Technology Days and has been maintained since. There are pending sign upsizing and relocations to improve driver awareness. Exclusive of the recent fatal crash, there has been one angle crash, 3 rollovers and a couple of miscellaneous crashes here in the last 6 years.
 - B. Rumble strips on STH 26/STH 33 and STH 33/CTH A. Graham stated that after review no rumble strips will be installed on either intersection. However, DOT will install overhead flashing beacons at STH 33/STH 26 so that it mimics STH 33/CTH A. Additionally, STH 26/CTH E intersection shall also get overhead beacons. DOT priority is 33/26 first, then 26/E as funding and time allows, but should be in the next 2-3 years.
- IV. New Business
 - A. The current roster/contact info was reviewed and updated.
 - B. Reports
 - a. BOTS. Matt supplied info on the statewide 2013 fatal report to date. He stated the 2013 NTSA grant application is in for traffic enforcement money. The 2014 grant is now being generated. There is a lag due to MAP-21 at the federal level. Multiple DOT regions have begun planning for the Harley Davidson 110th anniversary planned for Milwaukee on Labor Day, 2013.
 - b. DOT—Graham stated the urban reconstruction of STH 33 in downtown Beaver Dam has been let and work will begin after Memorial Day and be done by fair time. (Pete

confirmed that the STH 49 overlay project from Waupun to Lomira is scheduled for June and July of 2013.)

- c. County—Pete stated that the CTH A project from STH 33 to CTH AW will begin mid-May and is scheduled to be complete by July 4th. A detour using STH33 west to STH 73 north to CTH AW will be used.

C. Graham was asked to review the signs at Rubicon St. at STH 60 in Hustisford. There was a complaint of signs blocking visibility.

D. Bob received a complaint of snow build up and lack of overnight maintenance on STH 19 at the new STH 26 bypass. Graham and Pete will review.

E. Randy suggested an earlier start throughout the winter for the highway department driver on USH 41. This may alleviate slow response times at beginning of rush hour in changing weather.

F. Eugene inquired about rumble strip maintenance schedule. Pete said it is now part of the annual county maintenance program

G. Next meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2013 at 9:30 am in the Training Room at the Dodge County Sheriff's Department.

Meeting adjourned 11:00 a.m
Pete Thompson,
Secretary.