

DODGE COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION
October 14, 2013

Members present: Del Yaroch, Chairman, Trace Frost, DSO; Bob Sell, Dodge County Traffic Safety Coordinator; Ryan Mayer, Wisconsin DOT, Matthew Aslesen, Wisconsin BOTS, State Patrol RPM, Pete Thompson, Dodge County Highway Department; Jim Van Erem, Beaver Dam Police Department, and Randy Kind, Wisconsin State Patrol. Also present were Doug Ninmann and Eugene Goodearle.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Del Yaroch at 9:30 am.
 - A. The minutes from July 8, 2013 meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Frost and second by Mayer.
- II. Fatal crash review, 3rd quarter of 2013.
 - A. There were two fatal crashes with two fatalities in the quarter bringing the yearly total to 6. The Commission reviewed the video of each crash site.
 1. Westbound driver drifted left of center and struck a westbound truck and flatbed trailer on STH 16/60 near Fairwood Road.
 2. Southbound driver drifted left of center and struck a northbound straight truck and trailer on the crest of a hill on Dairy Road north of Lomira Drive.Both were daytime crashes in dry condition. No road conditions were deemed contributory to the crash. Exact causes remain undetermined.
- III. Old Business
 - A. The roster was updated.
 - B. Ryan reported that as of October 7th, the sign relocations and replacements at the STH 89/Dahlman Road/CTH T intersection were completed. Some signs were upsized.
 - C. Ryan reported that the sign limiting visibility at the STH 60/Rubicon Street intersection was relocated.
- IV. New Business
 - A. The commission reviewed Ryan's crash history of the two driveways and adjacent intersection on STH 60 at the Quad Graphics plant near Hartford. There was a March, 2013 fatal crash at the westerly drive and that video was viewed again. There have been 6 crashes in 5 years at the two driveways. Five of those occurred around 7 a.m. Reasons for crashes were discussed including this is a busy time, this is a shift change, and possible glare from the sun looking east. Ryan stated that the intersection to the east (Independence Avenue in Washington County) has had 18 crashes in the last 5 years. There is access from Independence to the employee parking lots and the three access points are all internally connected.
Ryan will review this area with his counterpart in the SE Region. Independence Ave was recently updated with segregated turn lanes and median islands to accommodate turning movements. There also was a recent access control plan developed for STH 60 in Dodge County which Ryan will review.
 - B. Doug Ninmann, President of the Dodge County Fair Association, requested installation of new lights on STH 33 and Fabisch Road and additional lighting at the High Point Rd. intersection. Ryan stated there is a cost to the requester and a permit, if approved. Ryan will contact the DOT

lighting rep and get back to Doug. Doug will review with his board and the Town of Beaver Dam.

- C. Pete explained the bridge inspection program and highlighted the difference between Structurally Deficient and Functionally Obsolete bridges in light of a recent media request.
- D. Bob distributed statutory references pertaining to Traffic Safety Commissions. Matt explained the mapping option the state has undertaken to comply with statutes. Currently, fatalities are being mapped statewide and any further reports will require inputting by local agencies. Matt will give a mapping demo at the January meeting. Trace was hesitant about any major labor requirements.

C. Reports

- a. BOTS. Matt supplied info on the statewide 2013 fatal report to date. The trend is down versus last year. He supplied the legislative update, County-by-county fatality statistics, and the 2012 Crash Calendar.
- b. DOT—Ryan was contacted by a STH 16/60 resident just east of Columbus. There was a visibility concern for a bus pick up. The visibility was found to be limited and a Bus Stop Ahead sign for westbound traffic was installed. Ryan was contacted by Juneau police chief Dave Biel requesting an All-Way STOP at STH 26 and Center Street (CTH S). There are existing All-Way STOPs at STH 26 and both E. Oak Street and Oak Grove Street. Ryan is hesitant about adding one more here. However, he did seek input on swapping the E. Oak Street signs for Center Street. Most thought that was a good idea, with some concern about the bend in STH 26 at E. Oak for visibility. Ryan will continue to review.
- c. County—Pete stated that the CTH DE project from USH 151 to CTH D will be completed this week. A repaving project on CTH BI from CTH I to STH 26 is scheduled to be done yet in October with very little inconvenience.

D. Eugene stated a driver ran the stop sign northbound at CTH TW/E and CTH S. She was contacted after the fact and cited.

E. Next meeting is scheduled for January, 13, 2014 at 9:30 am in the Training Room at the Dodge County Sheriff's Department.

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

Approved at January 13, 2014 meeting

Peter Thompson