

WAUKESHA COUNTY

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, February 9th 2022

Waukesha County Administrative Building

In Attendance:

Lieutenant Chadwick Niles; Chairman Traffic Safety Coordinator, Waukesha County Sheriff's Department Representative

Mr. Rick Olig; Law Enforcement Liaison Wisconsin Department of Transportation (BOTS)

Sergeant Peter Lynkiewicz; City of Muskego Police Department Representative

Sergeant Kevin Turner; City of New Berlin Police Department Representative

Sergeant Adam Nelson; Village of Chenequa Police Department Representative

Supervisor Darlene Johnson; Waukesha County Board

Sergeant Matthew Noah; Wisconsin State Patrol Representative

Trooper Nicholas Lorenzen; Wisconsin State Patrol Representative

Officer Dan Klein; City of Waukesha Police Department Representative

Captain Chris Garcia; City of Brookfield Police Department Representative

Detective Michael Skemp; City of Brookfield Department Representative

Captain Steve Schroeder; Village of Summit Police Department Representative

Mr. Ryan Hilgendorf; Waukesha County Civil Engineer

Mr. Derrin Wolford; Wisconsin DOT Signal Ops Engineer

Ms. Sarah Kretchmar; Wisconsin Motorcycle Safety Representative

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Traffic Safety Commission Chairman, Lieutenant Chadwick Niles at 1:01 pm at the Waukesha County Administrative Building. Introductions were made of those in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Everyone in attendance reviewed the minutes from the November 2021 meeting.

Supervisor Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes. Sergeant Lynkiewicz seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND REPORTS

A representative from the Wisconsin Motorcycle Safety Program is here in attendance. There is a desperate need for rider training coaches in Wisconsin.

OLD BUSINESS

Followed up with Chenequa Police Department on how commercial motor vehicle traffic is affecting their jurisdiction. They are expecting traffic to pick up at the end of March.

BUREAU OF TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

Mr. Olig reviewed recent crash data. Wisconsin had 601 fatal crashes in 2021. Currently there is 45 fatal crashes year to date.

Teen Driver and 65 and older drivers are the top two flags for crashes.

Reviewed the last five years of crash history for the two fatal crash locations.

February 13, 2022, Impaired Driving.

March 7-11, 2022 is Vehicle Safety Recall Week.

March 21-April 11, 2022 is Railroad Crossing Week.

AAA purchased Fatal Vision kits and agencies that are interested in trying out a kit for personal training should contact Mr. Olig to borrow a kit.

A change in predictive analytics on Community Maps will be happening soon, will now be able to view crash reports by agencies, instead of location. One on One training for law enforcement agencies on how to utilize Community Maps is available.

Legal Updates can be reviewed on the Community Maps under the Traffic Safety Commission Resource tab. A big green arrow will be listed for something that is new or updated.

The intersection with the highest crash rate in Waukesha County is State Highway 164 and Racine Avenue in the City of Waukesha.

Nothing to report regarding traffic grants.

HIGH CRASH LOCATIONS / FATALS

- Captain Garcia reported that the City of Brookfield Police Department had the following fatal:
 - 0 10-10-21
 - Capitol Drive/City of Brookfield

A 76-year-old male was crossing Capitol Drive and not in a crosswalk, when he was hit by a vehicle being driven by a 57-year-old male, then was ran over by another vehicle being driven 18-year-old female, both vehicles were travelling eastbound. The speed limit is 45 miles per hour in this area of Capitol Drive. The driver of the first car fled the scene, and the driver of the second vehicle called police on scene to report the crash. The first driver did go home and notified police, he then returned to the crash scene. Toxicology reports for both drivers were negative. Wisconsin State Patrol is handling the reconstruction. Criminal charges are pending.

- ➤ Lieutenant Niles reported that the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department had the following fatal:
 - o 1-29-22
 - State Highway 164 and Glendale Road/Village of Waukesha

A 76-year-old male was travelling eastbound on Glendale Road when he pulled out onto State Highway 164 failed to yield to the oncoming traffic and was hit on the driver side by a vehicle being driven by a 22-year-old male travelling southbound. The 76-year-old male was pronounced deceased at the scene. His passenger and the two occupants of the vehicle were transported to the hospital. Speed and no seat belt usage are suspected with the vehicle operated by the 22-year-old. Wisconsin State Patrol is handling the reconstruction. This crash is still under investigation.

NEW BUSINESS

Spoke about flashing yellow arrow lights at intersections and how they have impacted crashes. The times that the flashing yellow arrow light at State Highway 164 and Racine Avenue have been changed and is not active during high traffic times. Drivers will see solid green arrow or solid red arrow lights more often.

2022 MEETING SCHEDULED

Our next meeting is Wednesday, May 11th 2022 at 1:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Supervisor Johnson. Mr. Olig seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion was passed to adjourn the meeting.

Traffic Safety Commission Chairman, Lieutenant Chadwick Niles adjourned the meeting at 2:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bobbi Jo Hinkley, TSC Assistant
Waukesha County Sheriff's Department