



WAUKESHA COUNTY

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at 1:00 pm

Waukesha County Courthouse, Room G55

In Attendance:

Ms. Deena Liska, Teen Driving Coordinator, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin

Ms. Shana Lebanowski, Injury Prevention Coordinator, Aurora Medical Center, Summit

Mr. Rick Olig, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, BOTS

Sergeant Steve Sanders: Menomonee Falls Police Department Representative

Sergeant Nakia Guyton: Wisconsin State Patrol Representative

Officer Spencer Kranz: Town of Oconomowoc Police Department Representative

Mr. Bruce Barnes, Waukesha County Traffic Engineer, Highway Commissioner Representative

Mr. Derrin Wolford, WIS DOT, Highway Engineering Representative

Sergeant Peter Lynkiewicz: Muskego Police Department Representative

Ms. Darlene Johnson, Waukesha County Board

Lieutenant Steve Schroeder: Summit Police Department Representative

Mr. Chuck Wood, Waukesha County Board

Sergeant Benjamin Langer: New Berlin Police Department Representative

Lieutenant Phil Carini: Traffic Safety Commission Chairperson, Waukesha County Sheriff's Department

Mr. Joe Davis Sr., Wisconsin Department of Transportation, BOTS

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Traffic Safety Chairperson Lieutenant Phil Carini, from the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department, at 1:01 pm, at the Waukesha County Courthouse in Room G55. Introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr. Chuck Wood, County Board Supervisor, made a motion to approve the minutes from 08/08/2018. Mr. Bruce Barnes from Waukesha County Department of Public Works, seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The minutes were then approved.

HIGH CRASH LOCATIONS/FATALS

Waukesha County Sheriff's Department fatal accidents:

August 11, 2018 at 1322 hours, a 19 y/o female was driving her vehicle traveling SB on I-43. She was in lane 1 and changed to lane 2 to pass a slower moving vehicle, and according to witnesses, the female driver braked and abruptly swerved to avoid other vehicles that were slowing down in front of her, causing her to lose control and veer off into the median, crossing the grass median and rolling her vehicle at least twice prior to exiting the median. The vehicle came to rest on the NB side of I-43 facing SW in lane 1. The female driver died during this accident due to impact. The female driver was the sole occupant of her vehicle and was not properly wearing her seatbelt as she only has the lap belt portion of the seatbelt on and the shoulder portion was tucked behind her.

October 17, 2018 at 1408 hours, 4 vehicles were involved in the crash and a 62 y/o female died on scene. All vehicles were driving NB on I-43, unit #3 was slowing down due to traffic congestions and road construction ahead, causing the female driver (unit #2) to strike unit #3 from behind. Unit #4 attempted to turn left to avoid the accident and struck unit #2 on the driver's side door area. The female driver (unit #2) was extricated from her vehicle and was the sole occupant of her vehicle.

October 23, 2018 at 1431 hours, a 53 y/o male was driving EB on North Lisbon Road in Sussex when his vehicle left the road to the shoulder of the road of the road (which is at a steep incline), hit a mailbox, struck a ditch, and struck a tree head on. The male driver was extricated from his vehicle and transported flight for life to the hospital, where he later died due to his injuries. The male driver was the sole occupant of his vehicle.

October 24, 2018 at 1219 hours, a 34 y/o female was driving NB on HWY 83/Glacier Pass in the Town of Delafield. The female driver appeared to have veered off of the road, riding partially on the gravel/grass area, hitting a culvert which made her vehicle go airborne. Unit #2 was traveling SB on HWY 83, as he noticed unit #1 airborne, unit #2 swerved into the NB lane to avoid being hit head on. Unit #1 sideswiped the passenger side of the unit #2. Unit #1 hit the pavement, and rolled numerous times. Driver of unit #1 was not wearing her seatbelt and was ejected from the driver's side window, died on scene. Unit #2 driver was uninjured.

Menomonee Falls Police Department fatal accidents:

September 19, 2018 at 1815 hours, SB on HWY 41 near Main Street, a 43 y/o female driver with 2 occupants in the vehicle, were in a single vehicle crash. The two occupants were taken to hospital with minor injuries and female driver ejected from car not wearing seatbelt, died on scene. It is believed that speed and alcohol were contributing factors in this accident.

Muskego Police Department fatal accidents:

October 1, 2018 at 1136 hours, a teenage female driver was backing out of a driveway and struck a pedestrian who was walking her dog. Pedestrian died from injuries. Phone was a possible contributing factor, but it is still under investigation.

Community Maps-

Rick Olig, from WDOT, stated that county wide 97% county is mapped on community maps.

20 fatal crashes to date from Community maps.

"Teen driver" doesn't mean that they were at fault, just means that they were involved, unsure of role in crash, but still involved. 4 fatal accidents where teen drivers were involved, doesn't mean that they were at fault, but at least involved. 15% of crashes in county involved teen drivers. 7,000 crashes total this year. Any crash report hover over and get hand and then click on it you can see the description and location. Accident reports and amendments can't be pulled up on community maps due to personal information that can't be shown like, DL, Names, DOB, juveniles, etc. Contact Rick for training and information on community maps. Gave presentation on how to maneuver around community maps and what to expect to see.

Traffic Legislation-

Current Grants- OWI and Seatbelt going on now

Speed grant begins next summer

Drive sober mobilization coming up on 12-14 to 1-1-19- Encourage all agencies to participate.

Village of Mukwonago Student Driver Safety awareness to reduce speed from 40 to 35. Liaison officer at the High School is having students take a traffic safety improvement quiz in order to get parking permit for HS. Reduction in accidents in parking lot and outside of parking lots.

Fatal report-

460 crashes to date for 2018; 480 crashes last year in 2017

514 fatal crashes to date for 2018; 527 fatal crashes last year in 2017

47 pedestrians, 72 motorcycle fatalities

Numbers are down overall, but higher than the 5 year average

Higher than have seen in the past.

Children's Hospital of WI

Visor Card for Law enforcement available - can be mailed or emailed.

- Side 1- child passenger safety laws with their citations and description
- Side 2- teen driver safety citations and descriptions

Also, there is resources for Law Enforcement to hand out to the public.

Law Enforcement Agencies can contact Deena Liska at Children's Hospital to get copies.

New Business:

Concerns with the intersection at HWY 67/HWY CW in the Town of Oconomowoc:

Zero fatal accidents at this intersection but numerous accidents and a serious accident, 3 were roll overs and 4 people were transported to hospital. Stop signs are at both sides of HWY CW, and a suggestion from Town of Oconomowoc officer would be to put in flashing stop signs on either side, East and West sides of HWY CW. Others gave more suggestions as to try to correct this issue, like, reflectors on the posts, overhead stop signs, reducing the speed prior to the stop sign, put out warning signs prior to the stop signs and possible rumble strips built into the road prior to the stop signs.

NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING SCHEDULED

The next meeting for the Waukesha County Traffic Safety Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, February 13, 2019, at 1:00 pm at the Waukesha County Courthouse.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Deena Liska, Children's Hospital Representative made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Sergeant Peter Lynkiewicz, Muskego Police Department. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:54 pm.