



WAUKESHA COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES

**Wednesday, May 9, 2018, at 1:00 p.m.
Waukesha County Courthouse, Room G55**

In Attendance:

Mr. Bruce Barnes; Waukesha County Traffic Engineer, Highway Commissioner Representative
Sergeant Chris DeMotto; Village of Mukwonago Police Department Representative
Sergeant Nakia Guyton; Wisconsin State Patrol Representative
Mr. Dale Halloway; CIREN Program Manager, Medical College of Wisconsin
Ms. Shana Lebanowski; Injury Prevention Coordinator, Aurora Medical Center, Summit
Lieutenant Michelle Leffler, Chairperson Traffic Safety Coordinator, Waukesha Sheriff's Department
Ms. Deena Liska, Teen Driving Coordinator, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
Sergeant Peter Lynkiewicz; City of Muskego Police Department Representative
Mr. Rick Olig; Wisconsin Department Of Transportation, BOTS
Sergeant Brad Polczynski; City of New Berlin Police Department Representative
Mr. Derrin Wolford; WIS DOT, Highway Engineering Representative
Supervisor Darlene Johnson; Waukesha County Board

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Traffic Safety Coordinator Lieutenant Michelle Leffler, from the Waukesha County Sheriff's Department, at 1:00 p.m., at the Waukesha County Courthouse in Room G55. Introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Mr. Dale Halloway, from the Medical College of Wisconsin, made a motion to approve the minutes from 02-14-18. Sergeant Chris DeMotto, the Village of Mukwonago Police Department representative, seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The minutes were then approved.

BUREAU OF TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

- ❖ Mr. Rick Olig, from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Safety, gave a presentation on Community Maps. Community Maps is an online interface for mapping crash data. Community Maps is populated with crash data from the Wisconsin DT4000 reportable police crash report database. Accidents are automatically loading into the system from TraCS and cannot be entered manually anymore. He went through several new changes and updates to the program. The program does include a user guide and tutorial in the “Help” section; however, if anyone would like training on the program, they can contact him. He will be continuing his presentations at future meetings.

Mr. Rick Olig also reported on the Click It or Ticket Program. The mobilization for safety belt enforcement will be from 05-21-2018 to 06-03-2018. The Click It or Ticket campaign focuses on safety education, strong laws, and law enforcement officers saving lives.

Governor’s Conference on highway safety will be at the Grand Geneva Resort, in Lake Geneva, from 08-21-2018 through 08-23-2018. He stated that some workshops will include: Life cycle of a crash, DOJ perspective on court rulings, Human Trafficking, Predictive Analysis, etc.

The Highway Safety Coordinator’s Association Meeting, Southeast Region, will be on March 28, 2018, in the Training Room at the Waukesha County Sheriff’s Department. Meetings are open to Highway Safety Coordinators, Traffic Safety Commission Chair, Vice-Chairs, and/or designated representatives. Meeting discussions will include TSC meetings and agenda topics, changes to Community Maps, etc.

Legislative updates: One bill of importance authorizes a municipality to enact an ordinance to authorize the operation of all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and utility terrain vehicles (UTVs) on certain highways within the territorial boundaries of the municipality directs when a vehicle operator must stop his or her vehicle after receiving a visual or audible signal to stop the vehicle. Another bill, the emergency vehicle obedience bill, states that a vehicle operator is prohibited from knowingly resisting, fleeing, or attempting to elude any officer after having received a visible or audible signal to stop their vehicle from a traffic officer, federal law enforcement officer, or marked or unmarked police vehicle that the operator knows or reasonably should know is being operated by a law enforcement officer.

He also spoke about self-reporting crashes. Waukesha County has only 3.3 percent of the crashes as being self-reporting, which is in the top 10 percent of the state. One disadvantage of self-reporting crashes is that they do not end up on the mapping system, therefore they are not being recorded for future statistical purposes. Waukesha County is also improving usage of the TraCS Location Tool.

COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTS

- ❖ Medical College of Wisconsin
Mr. Dale Halloway; CIREN Program Manager, Medical College of Wisconsin, stated that his department has recently purchased a 360 degree Faro LiDAR scanner, and they are interested in pedestrian and bicycle crashes. They are offering free training and the use of loaning the scanner, computer, and software to agencies for a three or four month period of time in exchange for using the scanner on any pedestrian or bicycle crash information and submitting that data to them. Pedestrian bicycle crashes have been increasing in recent years, and data will be used to gather information to help reduce the number of pedestrian and bicycle crashes. The training is going to be held by Faro representatives from 06-06-2018 through 06-08-2018, in Juneau, Wisconsin.

- ❖ Highway Engineering Representative
Mr. Derrin Wolford, from the Wisconsin Department Of Transportation, stated reference the Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacon (RRFB), a letter will be going out to municipalities stating that it has been approved once again at uncontrolled marked crosswalk locations.

Mr. Wolford also stated that Stacey Pierce, who is the Southeast Region Safety Engineer, will be taking a new position.

- ❖ Aurora Medical Center, Summit
Ms. Shana Lebanowski, Injury Prevention Coordinator from the Aurora Medical Center, Summit, stated that they run a Teen Safe Driving Program with Arrowhead High School and Kettle Moraine High School in Waukesha County teaching students how to be safe. She stated they are looking for more schools to join. She can be contacted for more information.

- ❖ Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
Deena Liska stated that last week they attended the Click It or Ticket campaign kick-off with the Department Of Transportation, which had a teen seat belt focus. If anyone is interested in focusing on teen drivers as the Click It or Ticket primary group, please let her know.

- ❖ Highway Commissioner Representative
Bruce Barnes stated there is new ordinance for County Board approval for no parking enforcement on CTH K near Arrowhead High School, with an excessive amount of parking on the shoulder during athletic events.

- ❖ Waukesha County Board Representative
Supervisor Darlene Johnson stated that the Mukwonago High School students had to watch a video and take a test in order to get a parking permit, which teaches them safe driving, and if they get in an accident they would lose their privilege to park in the lot. Deena Liska stated that Shana Lebanowski and herself would be able to work with Supervisor Johnson and get teens participating in the Click It or Ticket activities.

HIGH CRASH LOCATIONS / FATALS

➤ Chairman Lieutenant Michelle Leffler reported that the Waukesha Sheriff's Department had one fatality, as follows:

- Date of Accident: 05-01-2018, 1201 hours

Location: Saylesville Road (CTH X) westbound, 460 feet west of Holiday Road,
Town of Genesee

A 2017 white Dodge Grand Caravan, the only vehicle involved in the crash, was traveling westbound on Saylesville Road just west of Holiday Road when it left the roadway on the south side, went into a shallow ditch, hit a tree, and returned to the roadway overturned on its roof. There were no witnesses to the crash. The driver, a 65-year-old male, was the only occupant of the vehicle. The male operator was transported to Waukesha Memorial Hospital; and later, at 2024 hours, on 05-01-2018, was pronounced deceased.

➤ It was also reported that the City of Brookfield had one fatality, as follows:

- Date of Accident: 02-28-2018, 1547 hours

Location: N/B Springdale Road, just south of Green Blvd., Town of Brookfield

A 2001 black Ford Ranger pick-up truck had struck a tow truck head-on and had extensive front-end damage, and was bent in the middle where the bed connects to the cab. The Ford Ranger was facing southbound in the northbound lanes of Springdale Road south of Green Road, and just north of the railroad tracks. A third vehicle then rear-ended the tow truck. The 57-year-old unresponsive male was pulled from the vehicle onto the side of the road. The 57-year-old male was pronounced dead at the scene.

NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING SCHEDULED

The next meeting of the Waukesha County Traffic Safety Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, August 8, 2018, at 1:00 p.m., at the Waukesha County Courthouse.

ADJOURNMENT

Lieutenant Michelle Leffler, Chairperson Traffic Safety Coordinator, Waukesha Sheriff's Department, made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Sergeant Chris DeMotto, from the Village of Mukwonago Police Department. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Gregesich, TSC Assistant
Waukesha County Sheriff's Department