

## **WINNEBAGO COUNTY SAFETY COMMISSION**

### **Meeting Minutes – October 10th, 2018**

#### **Members Present:**

Chris Bordeaux – NM Transfer

Kathi Hegrans – Theda Care

Matthew Albright – Menasha PD

Laura Vendola-Messer – Winnebago Sheriff's Office

Bryan Keberlein – Winnebago Court Commissioner

Scott Nelson-WIS DOT-NE Region

Chris Gorte-Oshkosh Police Department

Mike Panosh – WIS DOT – BOTS

Scott Morrison – Oshkosh Area School District

Pete DeBoer – Fox Crossing Police Department

Mike McGinley – Community Representative

Kim Bierdermann – ECWRPG

Brett Halderson – Menasha PD

Rick Olig – Wis DOT BOTS

#### **Attendance and introductions**

Meeting called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chris Gorte. Members were recorded and collected. MM/S to approve the minutes from July 11th meeting. Motion carried.

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment for this quarter.

## **Review of county-wide fatal/serious traffic crashes**

#1 WCSO Hwy 45 North of Winneconne, 8-10-18. Intoxicated male driver was driving recklessly throughout the county. He lost control of his vehicle and rolled the vehicle into a corn field causing the death of his juvenile passenger. Driver sustained serious injuries and has been charged with homicide by intoxicated use of a vehicle.

#2 WCSO Hwy GG and Hwy 76, 9-25-18: Elderly couple were traveling east on Hwy GG and collided with a semi truck traveling north on Hwy 76. Investigation suggests that the elderly couple did not stop or slow down for the intersection. Both occupants of the car were killed and the driver of the semi truck sustained serious injuries but is recovering. There does not appear to be any obstruction or roadway design issues for eastbound traffic on Hwy GG. This intersection is scheduled for roundabout construction in 2020.

#3 WCSO Hwy 10 and Tayco Street, 8-24-18: Driver was traveling eastbound on Hwy 10 and probably had a medical issue. Vehicle struck the concrete wall in the median and traveled off of the highway and into a retention pond. All construction road signs were clearly marked and in place at the time of the crash.

#4 WCSO South Park and Bell Street (Neenah), June 2018: Male passenger was physically fighting with the female driver of a vehicle. Male jumped out of the moving vehicle and struck his head on the pavement. He eventually died of a head injury.

## **Round Table Discussion**

Chris Bordeaux complimented those involved with the P.A.R.T.Y at the PAC event held earlier this month. He also stressed the importance of having a windshield free of obstructions and would like to see some type of state wide public service announcement concerning that subject.

Mike Panosh gave a tutorial of Community Maps showing the group how to search/view crashes as well as other important information. The following is a link to the basic search page on Community Maps: <https://transportal.cee.wisc.edu/partners/community-maps/crash/search/BasicSearch.do>

Kathi Hegranes reported that the P.A.R.T.Y. at the PAC was very well attended with over 5,300 10<sup>th</sup> graders. She also stated that she working on getting the "Choose your Ride" vehicle up and running. This vehicle will resemble a squad car and a taxi cab to promote safe choices. The vehicle would be available to be checked out for various community events. It will be stationed at and insured by ThedaCare.

Scott Nelson reported that Hwy 116 construction in Omro is now complete and open for all traffic. Hwy 116 construction in Winneconne should be open for traffic by October 31<sup>st</sup>. Hwy 76 construction should start late next year to include roundabouts at Hwy GG, Hwy G, and at Breezewood.

Kim Biedermann explained that October 10<sup>th</sup> was the national Walk to School Day however rainy weather decreased participation. There are no known make up dates for this event.

Rick Olig stated that the "Drive Sober" mobilization will take place December 14 through January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Next meeting** scheduled for 1-09-19 at 09:00 a.m. at the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office.

Motion made to adjourn. Motion carried.