

WINNEBAGO COUNTY SAFETY COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes- April 8, 2015

Members Present:

Robert Doemel-Winnebago County Highway
Mike Panosh-DOT-BOTS
Bill Anthes- Winnebago County Sheriff's Office
Todd Christie- Winnebago County Sheriff's Office
Kevin Wilkinson-Neenah PD
Scott Morrison- Oshkosh Area School District
Scott Nelson- DOT Traffic
Jon Pederson- Wisconsin State Patrol
Mike McGinley-Community Representative
Dan Kussmann-City of Oshkosh

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Kevin Wilkinson. Members were recorded and collected. Motion made by McGinley to approve the minutes from last meeting was 2nd by Morrison. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Moment of silence observed in honor of Trooper Trevor Casper who killed In the Line of Duty.

Wilkinson-

- Discussion about serious crashes or fatalities in the county since last meeting. Only one occurrence in City of Menasha involving a pedestrian being struck and killed. No representative present for Menasha to provide any further details.

- Discussion about traffic statistics that would be useful for the Commission

 - evaluate a 5 year window

 - more consistent data as it is not often up to date

 - develop criteria for mapping

- Discussion about repeat offense drunk drivers

 - recommend some guidelines and develop a registry similar to Ohio

 - purpose of registry would be to empower people around the offender

 - enact countywide and eventually throughout the State

 - what types of legal hurdles?

 - would it have to be legislative?

 - would Highway Commission support?

--Vote taken and unanimous approval by Commission to develop and present to proper governing body

ROUNDTABLE

Wilkinson-

- Plans to eliminate front plate requirement in the State which savings would provide additional funding for DOT
- keep an eye out for new OWI legislation enacted around ignition interlock

Christie-

- 3rd Canine being added to Patrol (will have a K9 unit on all three shifts)
- 46% increase in drug arrests so far in 2015

Nelson-

- Racine Street and 441/47 interchanges will begin April 13th with Highway 47 interchange closed.
- Rehab project on USH 41 between Breezewood and Prospect will have intermittent lane closures beginning in May and lasting throughout the summer months proceeding as planned
- Friction treatment over CTH II will take place with rehab project
- STH 26 between Waupun and Rosendale will be closed most of summer for reconstruction which could effect Winnebago County, DOT has already began the push to get motorist to utilize 151 to access USH 41.
- Signage will begin soon for I-41(former USH41) starting from the south and working north.

Pederson (WSP)

- planning 5-6 deployments for drug interdiction and airplane details for USH41

Panosh-

- Fatals are up statewide to 105 compared to 86 at this time in 2014
- \$20,000 speed task force grant allotted to Winnebago, Brown, and Outagamie for enforcement on USH41

Kusmann-

- Possibly of road decrease on Jackson Street between Murdock and Algoma implementing bike lanes and center turn lanes.

Morrison- Nothing to report

McGinley-

- Heroin enforcement countywide discussed and determined data specific would require too much time and effort, was satisfied that agencies have been seeing a spike in enforcement.
- shared with Commission that long time Senior representative Duanita Kline had passed away recently.

Doemel-

- plans for a study of intersection CB/Oakridge approved by County Board
- getting bridges ready for navigation season
- added a plow to winter rotation dedicated to STH21 really helped out this year

Next meeting scheduled for 07-08-15 at 09:00 A.M.

Motion made by Kussmann and 2nd by Christie to adjourn. Motion carried.