



Green Lake County Traffic Safety Commission

Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2019

Members Present: Mark Putzke, Harley Reabe, Rachel Prellwitz, Trace Frost, Sgt. Matthew Strickland, Sheriff Mark Podoll, Barry Mashuda, Dan Brugman

Members Absent: Mr. Lyle Plagenz, Michael Panosh, Judge Mark Slate, DA Andrew Christenson, Jason Breaker

Guests: Chief Dennis Plantz, Deputy Matt Vande Kolk, Stephanie Arduini (BOTS), Emily Narel (AHEC Student Intern), Tony Daley

I. Call to order

Chairman Putzke called to order the regular meeting of the Green Lake County Traffic Safety Commission at 11:02 in the County Board Room of the Green Lake County Government Center.

II. Pledge of Allegiance was recited

III. Certification of Open Meeting

The requirements of the Open Meeting Law were certified as being met

IV. Certification of the Agenda

a) Read and declared by Chairman Putzke.

V. Approval of Minutes

a) Motion/second (Podoll/Reabe) to approve the minutes as written. All ayes. Motion carried

VI. Appearances:

a) None

VII. Alternative Travel Safety Plan

- a) A multi-disciplinary study of, and action plan for, improving the safety of alternative travel participants on public roadways.
- Request from the Town of Brooklyn, CtH. A residents ("A Team") concerning the study and plan to address use issues on CtH. A
 - Commissioner Mashuda has meeting scheduled with County Administrator Schmitt on July 17, 2019 to discuss concerns.
 - Chairman Putzke made recommendation to make 5-10 year plan addressing stated concerns and issues.

- Commissioner Mashuda to give update on status at next meeting.

VIII. Commission Member Reports and concerns

a) Frost (BOTS)-

- Reported that as of today (07/16/2019) there were a total of 243 traffic fatalities in Wisconsin, compared to 302 fatalities at this time in 2018, a decrease of almost 19%. 2018 numbers for Wisconsin traffic fatalities are 576, compared to 594 in 2017. There were two traffic fatalities in Green Lake County this March.
- The Governor's Conference on Highway Safety will be held this year at the Wilderness Resort in Wisconsin Dells on August 21-22, 2019.
- Legislative Proposals Update to be sent to committee members via email.
- Introduced Stephanie Arduini Bureau of Transportation Safety Analyst. Stephanie states that she is able to provide more specific and statistical crash data. Stephanie provided Green Lake County specific crash statistics for years 2015-2019, along with heat map, to committee members.
- GLC Quarterly Community Crash Report/Fatality Review
 - (i) Fatality Review completed on 2 fatal crashes occurring in March of 2019 in Green Lake County using Addendum D of the TSC guidebook. No recommendations made by committee members at this time.

b) Brugman (WISDOT)-

- 2019 Project updates in Green Lake County:
 - (i) StH 49 resurfacing project:
 - Limits: StH 23 to South Street
 - Tentative Schedule: May 13 to October 15, 2019
 - Traffic Impacts:
 - a. Shoulders closed in several locations
 - b. Flagging operations throughout project as needed
 - c. Turn lanes at CtH. AA, CtH. V are closed
 - Sheriff's Office has been attending weekly safety meetings
 - (ii) StH 91 resurfacing project from the Berlin city limits to the Winnebago county line has been completed and is open to traffic.
- 2019 Project update in Waushara County:
 - (i) StH 49 resurfacing project:
 - Limits: Green Lake County line to StH 21
 - Tentative Schedule: July 22, 2019 to August 29, 2019

- Traffic Impacts:
 - a. Flagging operations throughout project as needed
 - b. Culvert replacements will have single lane closures as needed. Open to traffic.
 - Brugman stated a complaint was received regarding the possibility of reduction in speed to 35 mph (current 55 mph) on StH 49 near Old State Rd 49. Complainant encouraged to contact Town of Berlin to request speed study. No further follow-up at this time.
- c) **Mashuda (Green Lake County Highway Commissioner)**
- Mashuda reported that Highway Department projects include a total reconstruction of CtH CC in the Town of St. Marie. CtH CC will remain open to traffic. Other project includes work on CtH S between CtH A and CtH Q, which includes a new bridge, work anticipated to begin after Labor Day. Road will be closed to traffic while replacing bridge. Work continues with mowing operations, patching and routine maintenance.
 - Concern brought forth by Chief Plantz regarding road conditions on CtH E/F just west of Berlin City limits. Highway Department has met with engineers to put into future projects/plans.
- d) **Putzke (Chief Deputy Sheriff/Chairman)**
- Sheriff's Deputy would like to thank the highway department for the installation of rumble strips on CtH AW.
 - Chairman Putzke reported that he will be retiring January 3, 2020 and his replacement is Deputy Matt Vande Kolk who officially takes position on January 4, 2020. The County Board will officially appoint a replacement Chairman of this committee.
- e) **Prellwitz (Public Health Nurse-Medical Representative)**
- Reported that the Health Unit has received a grant from the Wishing Well of Green Lake County Fund to provide child passenger safety seats to low-income families.

IX. Correspondence:

- a) None

X. Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2019

XI. Future Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2020

XII. Motion to Adjourn

Motion/second (Podoll/Prellwitz) to adjourn meeting at 11:57 AM

Minutes submitted by: Rachel Prellwitz, RN