

MANITOWOC COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

DATE: January 15, 2019

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office (Conference Room A)

1110 S. 9th Street, Manitowoc, WI 54220

The meeting is open to the public, but portions of the meeting may be closed if this notice indicates that the commission may convene in closed session. The following matters may be considered and acted upon at the meeting:

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Approval of previous minutes.
- 3. Public Comment.
- 4. Request for site evaluations:
- 5. Follow-up on site evaluations from prior meetings:
 - Village of Maribel requesting review of speed limit from I43 to village on CORD Z.
- 6. DOT update report from WI DOT-BOTS representative.
- 7. Report on recent fatalities.
 - Amended crash from 09/10/18
- 8. Appoint Daniel Hartwig to replace retiring Robert Hermann, and Brian Nack to replace retiring Gregg Schetter as alternate for Daniel Hartwig.
- 9. Next meeting date: April 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Date: January 8, 2019

By: Holly Herzog, Secretary

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January 15, 2019 Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office

Present: Rick Olig, Julie Reimer, Mike Polich, Scott Nelson, Jason Orth, Robert Barbier, Dan Hartwig, Dan Diedrich, John Kropp, Brian Nack, Rick Wolfe, and Holly Herzog.

Also Present: James Falkowski, Manitowoc County Board

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Jason Orth.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes as submitted by Julie Reimer, second by Mike Polich; motion carried.

Public Input: James Falkowski stated a petition has been submitted by local residents to the Traffic Safety Commission regarding CORD R from Zander Rd. to STHY 147. Residents feel the speed should be lowered from 55 mph to 45 mph to increase safety.

Jason Orth pointed out that this has been discussed at length. Steps have also been taken to evaluate the area and improve safety including a speed study by the WI State Patrol. The crash history does not support the lowering of the speed limit, and the Highway Commissioner reviewed the area and updated signage. WI State Patrol troopers also visited businesses in the area in an effort to educate truck drivers using this route.

Scott Nelson stated that WI State Statutes have fixed speed limits set for highways in Wisconsin which are based on research and documentation. Local jurisdictions can reduce speeds up to 10 mph if supported by a speed study. Jurisdictions cannot follow petitions as this may create unreasonable limits that are not voluntarily compiled with and defy driver expectations. Lowering the limit in this area could have negative consequences. The Highway Commissioner was contacted prior to the meeting and he stated he would not take action solely on the petition, but would accept the recommendation of the Traffic Safety Commission.

Motion by Sgt. Dan Diedrich to take no action on this request, second by Rick Wolfe; motion carried.

Site Evaluations:

<u>Village of Maribel - Review Speed Limit on CORD Z from I43 to CORD T:</u>

At the last meeting it was decided to continue to monitor this situation. Since that meeting there have been 3 car deer accidents and one property damage accident. The property damage accident occurred when an out-of-state driver hit a post while turning onto I43 which resulted in a non-reportable accident. No other issues were noted in this area. One of the trucking companies has operated in this area for some time and the other is currently improving their property.

Motion by Julie Reimer to take no action on this request, second by Rick Wolfe; motion carried.

DOT Update Report from WI DOT-BOTS Representative: Rick Olig reported that Manitowoc County had 6 (7) fatal crashes resulting in 8 (9) deaths in 2018. Of the reportable non-deer crashes 17% involved teen drivers which is low compared to other counties. Speed and seatbelts violations were involved in 12% of the crashes and alcohol was involved in 5%.

The mobilizations for Drive Sober had good participation over the holidays. It is very easy to participate with one press release before the event announcing participation and one press release after summarizing the deployment. A report must be filed which enters participating agencies into a drawing for a traffic safety grant. One out of every three agency receives a \$4,000 grant. You can win up to three times a year. The next mobilization is over Memorial Day.

The Governor's Conference is August 20 – 22, 2019 in Wisconsin Dells.

Recent Fatalities: On 09/10/18 an accident occurred on STHY 42 in which a 71 YOA female was injured. This individual has since died within the 30 days following the crash. The semi driver involved was tested for alcohol and drugs with none found. He was cooperative.

On 12/16/18 an individual fleeing officers crashed into a truck on STHY 147 at Crystal Springs Road. The driver of the truck was killed. This crash is under investigation and will be reconstructed.

On 12/26/18 a vehicle gradually drove into the median on I43 and rolled down an embankment causing fatal injury to the front seat passenger. The operator stated a deer struck her vehicle, but she may have also fallen asleep. This crash is under investigation and will be reconstructed.

On 01/10/19 a vehicle being operated by a 15 year driver lost control on a curve causing the rear seat passenger to be ejected from the vehicle suffering fatal injury. This crash is currently under investigation as a deputy attempted to stop the vehicle shortly before the crash. Alcohol may have been involved. This crash is under investigation and will be reconstructed.

Other Business: Robert Hermann and Gregg Schetter have retired. Daniel Hartwig was elected as the new Sheriff for Manitowoc County and Brian Nack has been appointed Chief Deputy. Motion by Sgt. Dan Diedrich to appoint Daniel Hartwig to replace Robert Hermann and Brian Nack as alternate for Daniel Hartwig replacing Gregg Schetter, second by Rick Wolfe; motion carried. Introductions were made.

Next Meeting: April 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office.

A motion to adjourn at 10:33 am by John Kropp, second Julie Reimer; motion carried.



MEETING NOTICE

DATE: April 16, 2019

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- 4. Amy Miles, WI State Lab of Hygiene Oral Fluids Project
- 5. Request for site evaluations:
- 6. Follow-up on site evaluations from prior meetings:
- 7. DOT update report from WI DOT-BOTS representative.
- 8. Appoint Fire Chief Steven Denzien to the Traffic Safety Commission and Assistant Chief Dave Murack his alternate.
- 9. Report on recent fatalities.
- 10. Next meeting date: July 16, 2019 at 10:00 am

Date: April 2, 2019

By: Holly Herzog, Secretary

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April 16, 2019 Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office

Present: Scott Nelson, Jason Orth, Robert Barbier, Brian Nack, Marc Holsen, Steven

Denzien, and Holly Herzog.

Excused: Michael Polich and Barbara Herrmann

Also Present: William Johnson, Wisconsin State Lab of Hygiene; Nick Place, Manitowoc Police Department; Jill Michaelson, DOT and Rick Olig, BOTS

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Chairman Jason Orth.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes as submitted by Marc Holsen, second by Robert Barbier; motion carried.

Public Input: None

Oral Fluids Project: William Johnson from the Wisconsin State Lab of Hygiene gave a short presentation and summary of the Oral Fluids Project. Officer Nick Place coordinator for the project in Manitowoc County was also present. The WI State Lab of Hygiene processed over 20,000 OWI blood samples with 10% of those samples coming from coroners. The goal of the Oral Fluids Project is 100 voluntary samples which will be collected and compared to blood samples submitted. This is a pilot program to determine the prevalence and/or effects of drugs on drivers. This project has already collected data in Dane County. Dane County results proved 94% accurate through all drug categories. Of the 18 samples collected in Manitowoc County 50% contained drugs. This is a voluntary program and is only done if there is an arrest for OWI. Drugs screened for are: amphetamine, benzodiazepines, cannabis, cocaine, methamphetamine and opiates.

Site Evaluations: Information was received from Supervisor Falkowski regarding the speed limit on CORD R from Zander Road to STHY 147. Falkowski stated Denmark is installing a roundabout which is causing additional traffic on CORD R. He was again concerned about the posted speed limit. Scott Nelson explained that a temporary detour does not change the protocols for determining speed limits. Motion by Marc Holsen to take no action, second by Brian Nack; motion carried.

DOT Update Report from WI DOT-BOTS Representative: Rick Olig reported that there have been 109 fatal accidents as compared to 115 last year. This figure includes 12 pedestrians. Speed seems to be a prevalent factor. A study of 600 accidents revealed that 100 of them contained teen drivers which is concerning. BOTS is working on a PowerPoint that agencies can use to teach in their local driver's education classes. BOTS is hoping that agencies become more involved with driver's education. The Fond du Lac County Sheriff's Office currently teaches one three hour section for driver's education.

Click It or Ticket It will run from May 20^{th} – June 2^{nd} . The Governor's Conference is August 20 – 22, 2019 in Wisconsin Dells.

Scott Nelson reported that construction projects include the USHY 10 roundabout which should be open by August, the Waldo Blvd. repair will take two years to complete, and the USHY 151 resurfacing project will also be done this year.

The NE Region Time Meeting is taking place on May 1, 2019, an invitation was included with the minutes and will be distributed.

Appointments: Motion to appoint Fire Chief Steven Denzien to the Traffic Safety Commission and Assistant Chief Dave Murack as his alternate by Brian Nack, second by Robert Barbier; motion carried.

Recent Fatalities:

01/18/19 on I43 SB near MM157. The driver gradually crossed the median and crashed into a tree. It is believed that the driver fell asleep.

02/02/19 at 2734 CORD CR. Semi vs pedestrian. The pedestrian was an elderly man wearing dark clothing while mailing or retrieving the mail at 1:00 am. Driver did not see pedestrian.

04/07/19 at CORD R and Old Y Rd. Two motorcycles. The passenger of the second motorcycle was ejected and succumbed to her injuries when they rear ended the first motorcycle which was slowing or stopping. Alcohol and weather were contributing factors, no helmets.

04/08/19 on CORD XX near Herr Rd. SUV vs bicycle. Both were EB. Still under investigation. Operator of the motor vehicle is cooperating with the investigation.

Other Business: Rick Olig stated that DRE representatives may be attending Traffic Safety meetings in the future. He also stated that there are openings in the DRE and ARIDE classes and encouraged agencies to send officers.

Next Meeting: July 16, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office.

A motion to adjourn at 11:11 am by Rick Olig, second Marc Holsen; motion carried.



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- 6. DOT update report from WI DOT-BOTS representative.
- 7. Robert Tyllo, BOTS Anaylst
- 8. Report on recent fatalities.
- 9. Next meeting date: October 15, 2019 at 10:00 am

Date: June 26, 2019

By: Holly Herzog, Secretary

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July 16, 2019 Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office

Present: Scott Nelson, Jason Orth, Robert Barbier, Marc Holsen, Steven Denzien, Barb Herrmann, Joe Collins, Dan Hartwig, Andrew Hyer, Michael Panosh, Michael Polich, and Holly Herzog.

Excused: Allan Hibbard

Also Present: Anna Schenk and Robert Tyllo, BOTS

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Chairman Jason Orth.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes as submitted by Dan Hartwig, second by Joe

Collins; motion carried.

Public Input: None

Site Evaluations: Village of Kellnersville requesting 4-way stop at CORD K and CORD

T. Correspondence was received from the Village of Kellnersville along with a petition requesting additional stop signs at the intersection of CORD K and CORD T. The speed limit on CORD T is 35 mph. There are visibility obstructions at this intersection including a hill, funeral home, and restaurant requiring vehicles to pull forward to see on-coming traffic. Scott Nelson stated regulations require 300 vehicles per hour for 8 hours on the main road and 200 vehicles per hour on the side road. Regulations also state 5 or more crashes in a one year period. This location would not meet those requirements. Visibility is not taken into consideration by the regulations. There is a similar intersection in the Village of Maribel where CORD Z and CORD T meet and this intersection is a 4-way stop.

Marc Holsen stated additional signage could be added, but the cost and maintenance of any electrical signage would be the responsibility of the village. Matter tabled until the next meeting to give the Village and citizens the opportunity to attend.

DOT Update Report from WI DOT-BOTS Representative: Mike Panosh reported that the Oral Fluids Project is underway and is a little behind projections on samples taken. The sample period may be extended and agencies are encouraged to try and submit more samples.

There are no special enforcement grants for Manitowoc County this year. Grants are awarded based on the number of accidents and severity. Not getting any grants means that Manitowoc County is doing well.

Statewide fatalities are down at 241 in 2019 as compared to 298 in 2018. Last year in June there were 63 versus 40 in 2019.

The Governor's Conference will take place next month.

Robert Tyllo a BOTS Analyst spoke about data collection and trying to provide more information to the counties. Two charts were distributed and discussed. Suggestions were made to Robert about information that would be useful including the correlation between special enforcement efforts and how long it takes to get back to the baseline.

Recent Fatalities:

05/03/19 at Ucker Point Creek Road .49 miles E of Steinthal Road. Accident occurred on a curve with warning signs. Speed and alcohol were contributing factors. Driver was not wearing a seatbelt when he left the roadway and struck a tree.

05/08/19 on STHY 310 WB .73 miles E of Woodland Dr. This crash occurred at 2:32 pm on a rainy afternoon. Vehicle drifted off roadway, struck an embankment and overturned. An 80 YO female in the backseat was not wearing a seatbelt and died several days later. Driver was not impaired.

06/26/19 on USHY 151 NB 777 feet E of CORD CS. Unit 1 was drastically left of center and collided with a loaded cement truck. Crash remains under investigation.

07/14/19 on USHY 10 EB 490 feet E of CORD W. Crash occurred at 3:22 am as pedestrian was walking on the south side of USHY 10 in the dark. Road is flat and level. Crash is under investigation awaiting toxicology reports for pedestrian and driver.

Other Business: Jason Orth reported that he attended the regional traffic safety meeting. It was suggested at this meeting that local traffic safety programs be proactive, encourage community involvement, and put out more news releases to help gain voluntary compliance. The committee also discussed promoting seatbelt usage, information about alcohol and drug use, and reducing distracted driving. Construction zone safety was also discussed.

Next Meeting: October 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office.

A motion to adjourn at 10:56 am by Joe Collins, second Dan Hartwig; motion carried.



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 - Village of Kellnersville: 4 way stop at CORD T and CORD K
- 6. DOT update report from WI DOT-BOTS representative.
- 7. Report on recent fatalities.
- 8. Next meeting date: January 21, 2020 at 10:00 am

Date: October 1, 2019

By: Holly Herzog, Secretary

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October 15, 2019
Corrected 10/17/19
Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office

Present: Scott Nelson, Jason Orth, Marc Holsen, Barb Herrmann, Dan Hartwig, Andrew Hyer, Michael Polich, Allan Hibbard, Julie Reimer, and Holly Herzog.

Excused: Joe Collins and Robert Barbier

Also Present: Rick Olig BOTS, Heather Barkholtz DSP- ChemTest, and Therese Sanders DSP-ChemTest. Representatives from the Village of Kellnersville present: Mel Kasper, Roger Siehr, Elizabeth Welch and Kathleen Kochan.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Jason Orth.

Minutes: No corrections minutes stand as presented.

Public Input: Village of Kellnersville requesting 4-way stop at CORD K and CORD T. Village official Roger Siehr stated that the present 2 way stop is confusing for people, because they are expecting the other vehicles to stop too. It is also hard to see as several buildings are close to the intersection. Kathleen Kochan a resident who lives at the intersection stated there are many close calls, horns blaring, and near misses on a daily basis. There are similar intersections in Maribel and Menchalville that do have a 4 way stop. Large trucks have also been observed going above the posted limit and a stop sign may slow them down.

Crash data was review with 22 crashes since 2006. Of the 22 crashes 2 involved personal injury. The last crash on 10/05/19 involved a driver who failed to stop.

Scott Nelson stated that CORD T and CORD K fall under the County Highway Department's jurisdiction. Highway Departments across the state and country use a Federal Manual for managing roads which keeps everything consistent. According to the guidance provided in the Manual this intersection does not meet traffic volume requirements which are 1,200 vehicles on the main street and 700 vehicles on the side street. Kellnersville is around 300 on the main street and 200 on the side street for an 8 hour period. The Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices requires 300 vehicles per hour on the major road for 8 hours of the day and 200 vehicles per hour for the same 8 hours on the minor road. This intersection will not meet those volume requirements. There is an option listed which allows a stop sign if operators cannot see conflicting traffic. Scott Nelson also stated that change could result in more crashes because this has been like this for a long time and habits have been formed.

Marc Holsen stated efforts have been made including placing double stop signs at this intersection along with "cross traffic does not stop" signage. He also stated change sometimes causes new problems.

Allan Hibbard stated that he drives through this area and was surprised that it was not a 4 way stop. He stated he believes there is an expectation to stop and was in favor of making it a 4 way stop. It was pointed out that this may lead to new issues such as jake (engine) braking. Barb Herrmann asked if rumble strips could be added to draw people's attention to the new signs. Marc Holsen stated normally that is only done in rural areas because it creates a noise issue for residents. They potentially could be installed into the current road, but typically are added when the road is resurfaced or upgraded.

Motion by Allan Hibbard to recommend installing a 4 way stop at the intersection of CORD T and CORD K in the Village of Kellnersville with rumble strips, second by Barb Herrmann; motion carried.

Village officials acknowledged the problems that could be encountered such as jake braking and rumble strip noise. The Village Clerk will notify residents of the potential changes in their Village newsletter. Our recommendation will be forwarded to the Highway Committee and they will take up the issue at their December meeting.

Oral Fluids Project Update: Therese Sanders from the DSP ChemTest lab gave an update on the Oral Fluids Project. So far 62 samples have been received and compared. From the results 50% tested positive for THC, 22% amphetamines, 16% methamphetamine, 2% benzodiazepine, 2% cocaine, and 2% opiates. Opiates have a very small window where it will appear in the oral fluids which may be reflected in the results. Most arrests occur after 2200 hours.

Dane County was the first to test oral fluids and Manitowoc County is the second location. Mike Polich stated they have collected 75 samples so far and are only testing volunteers that have been arrested for OWI. Overall DSP is pleased with the test results and hope to include it in the statute governing PBT use so it is an additional tool available to law enforcement.

DOT Update Report from WI DOT-BOTS Representative: Rick Olig reported that so far in the state of Wisconsin we had 378 fatal accidents with 404 individuals killed. In 2018 at this time we had 397 fatal accidents with 441 individuals killed. Manitowoc County has 12 fatalities this year as compared to 8 last year. Of the 12 fatalities 6 were not wearing seatbelts and 3 were alcohol/drug related.

Rick Olig also went over enhancements made to community mapping and where to find the Legislative Update. The Legislative Update includes pending, in process and drafted legislation.

Recent Fatalities:

07/17/19 on I43 .49 miles S of Silver Creek Road. Witness states driver was weaving prior to clipping a semi-tractor unit which caused it to spin out, roll over and eject the operator. Possible impairment, significant speed was also a contributing factor, and the operator was not wearing a seatbelt.

07/26/19 on CORD CR SB 44 feet N of Cloverview Road. This crash involved a young driver in a SUV who swerved into oncoming traffic to avoid a rear end collision. The SUV collided with a motorcycle in the oncoming lane. Motorcycle operator was killed. Crash remains under investigation.

09/28/19 on CORD JJ 788 feet W of Lower Falls Road. Single vehicle crash where impaired operator lost control on a curve, rolled over, hit a pole, and was ejected. No seatbelt.

Other Business: The Move Over Slow Down campaign starts on Saturday. The Traffic Incident Management Meeting will be held on Thursday from 0930-1130 hrs at the Sheboygan County Highway Department.

Next Meeting: January 21, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office.

A motion to adjourn at 11:33 am by Dan Hartwig, second Allan Hibbard; motion carried.