

MANITOWOC COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

October 20, 2026

Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office

Present: Todd Cummings, Christine Glaser, Greg Grotegut, Justin Hansen, Craig Jansen, Joseph Jeanty, Benjamin Kraynek, Jacinta Lehner, Gary Mueller, David Murak, Todd Rasmussen, Joshua Stradal, Amanda Ziarnik

Also Present: David Dahms

Excused: Benjamin Meinnert, Jason Orth, Kyle Stotzheim

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Todd Cummings.

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from July 21, 2026, made by Josh Stradal, seconded by Joseph Jeanty. Minutes will stand as written.

Public Comment: None.

Request for Site Evaluation:

Flashing speed rating signs on Cty Rd XX at both approaches to Louis Corners:

Greg Grotegut collected crash data and determined historically this has not been a problem intersection. Josh Stradal recommended if Town of Schleswig wants flashing speed rating signs put up, they would do so at their cost. Recommendation made to send matter to County Highway.

DOT Report from WI DOT-BOTS Representative: Wis DOT/BOTS Law Enforcement Liaison/Consultant Todd Rasmussen reviewed crash data from Community Maps and reported there were 8 traffic fatalities and 291 injuries with a total of 1430 crashes in Manitowoc County thus far in 2026, which is down from a total of 1502 crashes at this time in 2025. Crashes due to impaired driving are down 38% from this time last year, and aggressive driving crashes are down 40% from last year. Todd Rasmussen explained Chapter Trans 300 reference Transportation of School Children on school buses equipped with an 8-light warning system. The Community Maps Predictive Analytics interface was discussed which identifies crash hotspots based on historical trends and crash factors.

Recent Fatalities:

6020 Johnston Dr:

Motorcycle operated by 23-YO male was NB on Johnston Dr. Upon approaching curve N of Woodland Dr, motorcycle continued straight down an embankment, into a heavily wooded area, and came to rest approx. 75 ft off roadway. Victim pronounced deceased on scene. Alcohol, excessive speed, and driving too fast for conditions contributed to crash.

8612 STHY 42:

UTV being operated by 47-YO male was NB on STHY 42 just north of E Hillcrest Rd when UTV struck a deer. Operator lost control of UTV causing it to enter E ditch, overturn, and strike a utility pole. Victim was ejected from UTV and was not wearing a seatbelt or helmet; pronounced

deceased on scene.

STHY 42 / CORD C:

Chevy Malibu operating EB on CORD C failed to stop at stop sign on CORD C at STHY 42. Vehicle left roadway, entered the SB ditch, overturned, and came to rest in the intersection. The 25-YO male operator was ejected during the crash and came to rest in the intersection of CORD C and STHY 42. Crash investigation ongoing.

Next Meeting: January 19, 2027, at 10:00 am.

Motion to adjourn made by Greg Grotegut at 10:24 a.m., seconded by Josh Stradal. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Glaser
Traffic Safety Commission Secretary