

ROCK COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.

Rock County Sheriff's Office – Large Conference Room

CORRECTED

The 2016, 1st quarter meeting of the Rock County Traffic Safety Commission was held on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at the Sheriff's Office at 9:00AM.

In attendance: Jude Maurer, Barb Abraham, Dan Molland, Mike Flesch, Brian Zaemisch, Hank Brill, Ryan Mayer, Corey Foster, Madelyn Glaeden, Jeff Kuglitsch, Lisa Wallenkamp, Jim Holford, Barry Irmen, Shena Kohler, Tom Boguszewski, Ben Coopman, Andrew Martin, and Patricia Swartout

Absent: Robert Spoden, Gary Groelle, Dennis Ryan

Capt. Maurer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and asked for introductions be made.

Introductions

Approval of Minutes

Jeff Kuglitsch motioned to approve the minutes of January 20, 2016. The motion was seconded by Barb Abraham. Motion passed unanimously.

Fatal Crash Review

- **January 22, 2016** – 2 vehicle/1 fatality - 82 year old male. Video reviewed. Hackett Street and W Grand Avenue, Beloit. No roadway issues. Safety equipment used. Speed in excess of 100mph, failed to stop at stop sign. Medical Examiner Irmen reports intoxication also contributing factor.
- **February 7, 2016** – 1 vehicle/1 fatality - 65 year old female. Video reviewed. McKinley Avenue and CTH Q, Beloit. No safety equipment used.
- **February 13, 2016** – 1 vehicle/1 fatality – 21 year old female. Video reviewed. S River Road and S Oakley Road, Town of Rock. No safety equipment used. ME Irmen reports victim tested positive for cocaine and ethanol.
- **February 18, 2016** – 2 vehicles/1 fatality – 33 year old male. Video unavailable. Hwy 14 and Emerald Grove Rd, Town of Bradford. Unknown if safety equipment used. Left of center. ME Irmen reports Methadone in victim's system. Capt. Maurer also reports victim was a 3rd shift employee, who had complained of tiredness to friends and family.
- **March 5, 2016** – 2 vehicles/1 fatality – 22 year old female. Video reviewed. Hwy 51 N and Black Oak Drive, Town of Fulton. Alcohol present. Charges pending blood draw results.

- **March 13, 2016** – 4 vehicles/1 fatality – 80 year old male. Video reviewed. Hwy 51 N and Cherry Street, City of Edgerton. Safety equipment used. Left of center. ME Irmen reports victim suffered a heart attack.

Old Business

As requested at the last meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee, Capt. Maurer presented the group with two years of traffic incident data for Afton Road. The data reports 602 citations have been written on Afton Road, 30 citations written at the intersection of Afton Rd and Highway 11, 18 accidents have occurred on Afton Road, and 4 accidents occurred at the intersection of Afton and Highway 11.

Ryan Mayer also reviewed 5 years of related crash data in this same area, noting the ramp at Afton and Highway 11 was in the City's jurisdiction. Ben Coopman advised an engineering consultant has been hired to review the intersection and will provide the results of this study to the committee upon its completion.

New Business

Corey Foster provided the group a WisDOT brochure detailing upcoming mobilizations. Click It or Ticket will run May 23 to June 5, 2016. Corey also noted the 2016 Governor's Conference on Highway Safety will be held August 23 through August 26, 2016 in Green Bay, WI.

Corey distributed a comprehensive report on the Anatomy of Traffic Safety for Rock County – 2010-2014. The report details characteristics of the county, along with economic, population, and crash statistics for Rock County cities and towns. Corey noted the document was available electronically if necessary.

Barb Abraham asked if any stats could be provided on crashes occurring due to the use of a cellphone. Capt. Maurer advised how difficult it is to determine that an inattentive driving crash was caused by cellphone usage without a witness.

Public Input

None

Set Next Meeting Date

The 2016, 2nd quarter meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee will be held at 9:00AM on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 at the Rock County Sheriff's Office.

Ben Coopman motioned to adjourn the meeting. Lisa Wallenkamp seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Swartout