

ROCK COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

October 13, 2010, at 9:00AM
at the Rock County Sheriff's Office Conference Room

The quarterly meeting of the Rock County Traffic Safety Commission was held on October 13, 2010, at the Sheriff's Office at 9:00AM. Present were: Capt. Jude Maurer-RCSO, Hank Brill-Co. Board, Dan Pruess-WI DOT, Barbara Abraham-Retired BTC, Madelyn Glaeden-Retired Wis. Epilepsy Assn., Coopman-Rock Co. DPW, Jeff Kuglitsch-Rock Co. Corporation Counsel, Tom Boguszewski-Retired Rock County DPW, Dennis Ryan-City of Janesville Eng'g, Jeff Berens, WI DOT, Andrea Loeffelholz, WI DOT, and Pat Swartout, RCSO

Capt. Maurer called the meeting to order at 9:00AM.

Jeff Berens made a motion to approve the minutes of July 14, 2010. Dennis Ryan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fatal accidents reviewed

- 08/07/10 – W. Hwy 59, E of N. Casey Road. Vehicle was traveling eastbound in westbound lane. A truck traveling westbound swerved into the eastbound lane to avoid vehicle at the same time the vehicle tried to return to eastbound lane. Driver was not wearing a seat belt. Alcohol was not a factor.
- 08/11/10 – W. STH 81, E of S. Avon Store Road. Eastbound vehicle veered into westbound lane striking semi at 55 mph. Victim's alcohol level .24.
- 8/17/10 – S. Garfield Ave. at E. Court Street. Motorcycle failed to stop at stop sign striking SUV. No helmet. Victim's alcohol level .17.
- 8/18/10 – Forest at Bittel. Scooter failed to yield right of way and was struck by oncoming vehicle. Uncontrolled intersection. No. Helmet. Victim's alcohol level .19.
- 8/20/10 – South STH 140 at East STH 67. Motorcycle struck vehicle in intersection as it was proceeding from a stop. Speed a contributing factor. Victim's alcohol level .13. No Helmet.
- 8/21/10 – Hwy 51/Main St., S. of Hwy 59, E of Fulton. Vehicle crossed lane of traffic, striking and entering building on NW corner, and striking another vehicle. Alcohol believed to be a factor.

Old Business

None

New Business

Andrea Loeffholz reported on the increase in fatalities from this time last year. Motorcycle accidents have increased, with alcohol and speed being the #1 factor. Pedestrian fatalities have also increased.

Discussion was held on how roundabouts have halted sever accidents.

Project I26 will not affect Rock County until 2012.

Public Input

None.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2011 at 9:00AM at the Rock County Sheriff's Office.

Barbara Abraham moved to adjourn the meeting; Madelyn Glaeden seconded. Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Swartout
LES Secretary