



MEETING MINUTES

Committee: Traffic Safety Commission
Date: Thursday, February 20, 2020
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Langlade County Forestry Department

The following discussion was held by the Committee at the meeting detailed above:

1. Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Lenzner

Traffic Safety Commission			
Representative	Designee Name	Role	Status
Sheriff Department	Brian Lenzner	Chairman	Present
WI State Patrol	Jon Pedersen	Member	Present
Emergency Management	Cassie Domel	Member	Absent
Langlade County Board	Arlene Bonacci	Member	Absent
Towns	Dave Kautza	Member	Absent
Kids Travel Safe	Sheila Rine	Member	Present
Highway Department	Brian Braun	Member	Present
Driving School	Anne Osborne	Member	Present
Antigo Police Department	Dan Duley	Member	Absent
Non- Committee Members Present			
Name	Interest	Name	Interest
Trace Frost	BOTS LEC	Jack Keiffer	DOT-NC Region
Becky Rank	Deputy Cty Clerk		

2. **Approve minutes from last meeting.** Motion by Motion by Braun, second by Pedersen to approve the previous meeting minutes of November 21, 2019. All ayes, motion carried.

3. **Old Business:**

- A. **Fatalities in Langlade County:** No new information.

- B. **USH 45 south of County Road G 11-27-2019:** Lenzner stated there was a fatality on 11-27-2019 on USH 45 South. Lenzner stated the fatality was a 4-year-old child, cause of the accident was determined to be inclement weather (slush on the roadway) and poor car tires. Child was determined to be in a safety seat. Accident had 6 injured, 1 fatality. Osborne updated the Committee on what she observed at the accident scene. Information only.

Keiffer introduced himself to the Committee, giving a brief work history. Keiffer updated the Committee on the transitional speed zone on USH 45 South of the City of Antigo. Keiffer stated this transitional speed zone and signage is within the DOT regulations. Keiffer stated if the City would like a Speed Zone Study done, the City would need to submit a formal letter requesting the Speed Zone Study to the DOT. Keiffer stated the city speed limit is not in his jurisdiction. Information only.

At the 11-21-2019 Traffic Safety Committee Meeting it was discussed extending the 35 MPH speed zone East of the Town of Polar. Keiffer stated if the Town of Polar would like to do a Speed Zone Study, the township would need to submit a formal letter to the DOT. Information only.

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Keiffer updated the Committee on upcoming construction projects within Langlade County.

4. **Dot updates-** Frost updated the Committee on CommunityMaps giving crash statistics within the State. Frost updated the Committee on new features on CommunityMaps. Discussion held on the impact to Law Enforcement and First Responders after the loss of Elcho Fire and Rescue and Troutland Fire and Rescue. Frost will email out to all Committee members Legislative Proposals of Interest to DSP/Law Enforcement.
5. **New business:**
 - A. **County road A between STH 52 and STH 55 speed limit.** County Board Supervisor Roger Buck sent a letter to Lenzner to look at reducing the speed limit between STH 52 and STH 55. Buck stated citizens have expressed safety concerns due to the increase in log trucks. Lenzner stated there have been an increase in log trucks in that area due to the timber cleanup from the July 2019 storm damage. Keffer stated other possibilities should be looked at over reduction in speed limit for example the use of a speed board, higher number of patrols. Braun stated a meeting with Forest Administrator Erik Rantala should be conducted to also include the snowmobile/ATV trails.
 - B. **Speed board by Elcho School.** Lenzner stated he received a request of the use of the speed board. Keiffer stated unfortunately the speed board is no longer in working condition. Discussion held on cost and possible funding for the County to purchase a speed board. Information only
6. **Money report: Det Sgt Doemel is the Emergency Management person. Let's start thinking for next year. Anything that makes our roads safer is a good thing.** Lenzner would like to look into using the grant funding toward the purchase of a new speed board. Information only.
7. **Adjourn:** Motion by Pedersen, second by Braun to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Minutes transcribed and submittedⁱ by:
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Recording Secretary
