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**OZAUKEE COUNTY  
TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES**

Chairperson Myers called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. at the Ozaukee County Justice Center, Room 234.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chairperson Fran Myers, Citizen, Lt. McCormick, Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department, Chief Steven Graff, Mequon Police Department, Jon Garms, Mequon Director of Public Works, Ozaukee County Coroner John Holicek, Ozaukee County Highway Commissioner Bob Dreblow, Supervisor Frederick Kaul, , David Brantner-Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Michael Panosh, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Jean Clement, Citizen.

Not present: Barbara Aagerup, Supervisor Gerald Walker, Supervisor David Albert, Trooper Robert Simpson, Ozaukee County Corporation Counsel Dennis Kenealy

Chairperson Fran Myers asked if meeting was properly noticed. Lt. McCormick advised that the meeting was properly noticed.

**GUESTS:**

Sgt. Tim Huibbregtse-Wisconsin State Patrol

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Chairperson Myers move to adopt agenda. Coroner Holicek, Chief Graff second. Lt. McCormick, Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department, Bob Dreblow, Highway Commissioner, Jon Garms, Mequon, Director of Public Works, Ozaukee County Coroner John Holicek, Ozaukee County Highway Commissioner Bob Dreblow, Supervisor Frederick Kaul, David Brantner-Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Michael Panosh, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, aye. Agenda adopted.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

04.25.07 minutes approval. Jean Clement moved to approve the minutes, Robert Dreblow second, Lt. McCormick, Chief Steven Graff, Mequon Police Department, Jon Grams, Mequon-Director of Public Works, Coroner John Holicek, Supervisor Frederick Kaul, David Brantner-Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Michael Panosh, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, aye. Minutes approved

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

Lt. McCormick advised the Commission that according to the Wisconsin Highway Safety Reporter there is a rise in motorcycle fatal crashes in the state due to the increase in motorcycles on the roadway as compared to previous years. State will be educating the public trained and on riding sober to attempt curtail these fatalities.

Supervisor Kaul stated that he read in the newspaper that Harley Davidson is designing their 2008 motorcycles to cater to women and sales have increased as more women are purchasing these motorcycles.

Lt. McCormick stated that Harley Davidson has changed its' appearance of its motorcycles in 2008; toning down the design; not being so flashy. Sales have increased because of this.

.08 BAC law in Wisconsin: For years there has been an attempt to get the standards lowered and an increase in sanctions and it's being addressed again. This is an attempt to get the drunk driving standards **lowered** as to be comparable to the .10 fines.

SB120 make seat belt violation a primary enforcement issue. AB214-cellular phones while driving. It's been a topic this committee has discussed at length for a few years now. We'll have to wait and see what happens.

July law of month: Drivers yielding to pedestrians.

Highway Commissioner Bob Dreblow advised the Commission that he received a call from Supervisor Barrows regarding the increase in crashes on CTH Y and CTH NN. Lt. McCormick advised that there have been two (2) crashes recently.

Lt. McCormick advised that several years ago the Committee looked at that intersection reviewed and it was determined that it was the position of the vehicles; that the b-pillars on vehicles caused an obstructed view. The Highway Shop painted a restricted area near the intersection so that the vehicles had to come to a **"cant" towards the intersection opening the view up**. The crashes have been dramatically reduced because of these it corrections. The two that we had recently, is a fail to yield issue.

Failure to yield is the reason for the recent crashes.

Bob Dreblow advised that at that time a "trombone arm" stop sign was looked at, but once the accidents were reviewed, it was determined that it wasn't because the vehicles did not see the sign; it was more of vehicles entering the intersection. The painted "restricted area" was determined to be implemented to channel the traffic. With the cooperation of residents in that area, brush was also moved as not to obstruct the view of the intersection.

Lt. McCormick advised that the speed in that area is 55 mph east/west bound through that area. The problem is the vehicles going north and south on CTH Y, stopping and pulling out into traffic. Without the current accident reports, he could not make an exact determination as to the problem. 12 accidents have occurred from last year at the time of this meeting to current.

Lt. McCormick will have crash statistics for that intersection for the next TSC meeting.

Jean Clement inquired as to why trees are being removed on CTH I.

Bob Dreblow advised that Cedar Sauk to STH 33 is being reconstructed. The ditches will be moved out and trees removed. A Hazard Elimination grant will be utilized to have the approaches moved 200 ft east on CTH I and STH 33 to allow the approaches on CTH I to come into a right angle. Construction should be done by November 1, 2007. State resurfacing STH 33 westbound from Saukville to west county line.

Chairperson Myers stated that she read in the Ozaukee Press moving CTH C. Highway Commissioner Bob Dreblow stated there have been discussions for about 4 years regarding development; it's just an idea. No formal proposals have been made. Supervisor Kaul stated there are citizen concerns concerning this development.

Highway Commissioner Bob Dreblow also advised the Commission that he spoke with the state concerning the repairs on the cable barriers; the contractor will be repairing; however, the barriers will not be moved.

Chairperson Myers asked about the barrels on CTH W and Highland. Highway Commissioner Bob Dreblow explained that this is for the expansion of Columbia St Mary's Ozaukee Campus hospital. Improvements of that intersection with signals and turn lanes. Monies coming from Columbia St Mary's Ozaukee Campus and New Castle.

Commission discussed the problems with traffic on STH 167 and Mequon Road. Jon Garms advised that the construction on STH 167 should be completed by November or December 2007.

Myers on-ramp to southbound I43 signals are all ways knocked over. Highway Commissioner Bob Dreblow advised that overhead signals will be installed.

#### INTERURBAN BRIDGE:

Highway Commissioner Bob Dreblow advised that one bid came in and it was rejected. Consultant and DOT to resign the bridge. Bridge will have a concrete deck, not wood as originally planned. Bridge will be pre-formed this might make the project more attractive to contractors for bids.

**FATAL ACCIDENTS:**

None.

**STATE REPORT:**

David Branter-DOT advises for the state that I43/CTH C will have permanent signals. I43/STH 60 off-ramp signal turned on to flashing red temporality, CTH W north bound from STH 60 is done.

Signals at Home Depot (CTH W) will have cameras which aid in signal changes. These cameras will default over to time mode with lighter traffic times. The cost of these cameras is 100% funded by the municipality.

Mike Panosh-DOT advised that there were only two (2) fatals year to date compared to the eleven (11) the state had last year at this time.

Trooper Simpson inquired if the grass and weeds being taken care of along the barriers. Highway Commissioner Bob Dreblow advised that their mower is down and that the contractor for the barriers has left debris in the area.

Committee discussed the "Move Over Law" and the publics awareness.

**LOCAL REPORT:**

None.

**EDUCATION:**

Move Over Law

Next meeting will be October 24<sup>th</sup>.

Motion made by Jean Clement to close meeting, Bob Dreblow second, Lt. McCormick, Ozaukee County Sheriff's Department, Chief Steven Graff, Mequon Police Department, Jon Garms, Mequon Director of Public Works, Ozaukee County Coroner John Holicek, Supervisor Frederick Kaul, David Brantner-Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Michael Panosh, Wisconsin Department of Transportation, aye. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 10:05 a.m.

Cynthia C. Mintner,  
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