



APPROVED MINUTES
Traffic Safety Commission Meeting
Tuesday August 18, 2020 at 2:00 P.M.
Community Room of the Health & Human Services Building
303 W Chapel Street
Dodgeville, Wisconsin 53533

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Any subject on this agenda may become an action item.

1	The meeting was called to order at 2:08 P.M. by Chair Hardy. The meeting was hosted in person at the Community Room and electronically through Zoom Meetings.
2	Roll Call: Highway Commissioner Hardy; Austin Durst Sheriff's Dept; Charlene Schmid, WisDOT Traffic Safety Engineer; Trace Frost, Law Enforcement Liaison; Steve Deal, Iowa County Board Supervisor; Diane Halverson, Wildlife Forever ATV; Annette Biggin, SWTC Driver's Education. Absent: Briant Russell, State Patrol; Randy Wiessinger, Law Enforcement Liaison; Greg Lee, Public Works; Joe Davis, WisDOT/BOT; Troy Maggied SWWRPC. Excused: Joe Thomas Ridgeway; Iowa County Corp Council and Health Department Director.
3	Agenda for this 08-18-2020 meeting and minutes of the 05-12-2020 meeting were approved by unanimous consent with no revisions. Commission members were asked to reserve Tuesday, November 10 th at 9:30AM as date for the next meeting.
4	ATV-UTV Route Maps. Hardy updated the committee on the status of the atv/utv map development by the Southwest Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission. At this time, all the routes have been signed on the county system with exception of two, which the department is waiting on the state sign permits for: A. The route for STH 39 at Mineral Point requires some revision of the township ordinance prior to WisDOT approving the sign permit. B. The route for STH 191 between BB and Tom's campground is still under WisDOT review. The STH 39 route from CTH QQ to the City of Mineral Point permit was approved by WisDOT. The department was waiting on sign deliveries and then would schedule them for installation, which will open the route. The maps have been updated by SWRPC and are loaded onto the county website for download/retrieval and use by the public. They will be revisited again in November with route requests.
5	Frost covered the BOTS accident history for 2020 to-date, legislative update and other information. The legislative updates are also available on the Community Maps webpage, and Frost distributed via email after the meeting. Through 2020 to-date; Wisconsin is at 332 compared to 325 a year ago. Discussed upcoming grant enforcement opportunities.
6	Durst provided a summary of the crash report for the 3 rd quarter of the year. He recapped the fatal crash on STH 23 involving a tractor implement, and three other vehicles. He stated Law enforcement has been making a presence with reduced contact during the covid19 orders. However, they are now starting to notice an increase in traffic volumes. Schmid stated the department has held off on following up on speed studies and traffic counts due to Covid19 effect, but questioned if that has subsided? Duerst commented he thought the traffic had resumed to normal driving conditions especially on 151 corridor. But thought night time driving might still be a decrease compared to pre-covid19.

7	Other Business. Duerst asked if a review of ordinances within the county could be done to research differing requirements such as speed limit, time or hours of use, etc. Hardy stated he would prepare a metric of ordinance language for review at the next meeting. Hardy asked Shmid if WisDOT had reviewed the accident or slide-off history of the Ridgeway corridor to 151. Some members of the commission feel there is an inordinate amount of slide off the roadway issues through the corridor around Ridgeway between the Intersection with CTH HHH east fo the village to interchange at MM52. Schmid stated she would review the accident history in the vicinity, compare the data to state averages, and bring the information to discuss at our next meeting.
11	Other business for discussion. None.
12	Meeting adjourned at 2:34 PM by unanimous consent. Next meeting date will be on Tuesday, November 10 th , 2020 at 9:30 A.M. in the Health & Human Services building in Dodgeville and via zoom..
Minutes by: Craig Hardy.	