

MEETING OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMISSION

HELD ON 02/23/10 AT 12:30 P.M. AT THE RHINELANDER, WI, HIGHWAY SHOP

MEMBERS PRESENT: KIRBY/CHAIRMAN, COOPER/HWY SECRETARY, JOHNSON/REGIONAL PROGRAM MGR, KEIFFER/WISDOT, WANLESS/WI STATE PATROL, FREESE/O.C. EMS, WOLK/CO BOARD SUPVR, McELDOWNEY/LEGAL

The following matters were taken up to wit:

1. Kirby called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. It was noted the meeting was properly posted and the media notified.
 2. **Motion:** McEldowney/Wolk to approve the agenda. All ayes.
 3. **Motion:** Wolk/Kirby to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All ayes.
 4. No Highway Safety Concerns
 5. Dennis Johnson introduced himself as Patti Nelles' replacement. He Reported:
 - 2009 ended with 543 traffic deaths, the lowest since 1944
 - January 2010 ended with the lowest traffic deaths on record
 - To date, 39 deaths, compared to 59 this time last year
 - Traffic Safety Laws in Legislation
 - Act 28 – Every motorist must have liability insurance
 - Act 97 – U-Turns allowed at controlled intersections. Vehicle must be in the far left lane, and be able to make the turn without backing up
 - Act 100 – Stricter penalties for OWI offenders
 - AB496 – Ban texting for all drivers. Quick Legislation was previously passed to ban texting for all commercial drivers
- Distributed:
- Train the Trainer – Teaching Safe Bicycling class brochure distributed
 - State Patrol Laws of the Month for December, January, and February
6. No Public Comments
 7. Future meetings scheduled for May 25th, August 24th, and November 16th, 2010. All meetings at 12:30 p.m. at the Rhinelander Highway Shop.
 8. **Motion:** Keiffer/Wanless to adjourn at 1:00 p.m. All ayes.

Committee Chairperson

Committee Vice-Chairperson