

MEETING OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

HELD ON 08/15/17 AT 12:30 P.M. AT THE ONEIDA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT,
RHINELANDER, WI

MEMBERS PRESENT: KIRBY/CHAIRMAN, PANOSH/WISDOT/BOTS SAFETY PROGRAM MGR, COOPER/SECRETARY, STEFONEK/COORDINATOR, GAUTHIER/RHINELANDER POLICE DEPT, McELDOWNEY/LLEGAL, FROST/WISDOT/BOTS, KEIFFER/WISDOT, WRYCHA/WISC STATE PATROL

The following matters were taken up to wit:

1. Kirby called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m. It was noted the meeting was properly posted and the media notified.
2. **Motion:** McEldowney/Gauthier to approve the agenda. All ayes.
3. **Motion:** Gauthier/McEldowney to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. All ayes.
4. Discussed Oneida County crash history and data. Keiffer displayed Community Maps on the big screen but no recent accident were pinned. Frost mentioned that, MAPS is in the process of integrating a system that would have all accident information entered by Madison on a daily, if not weekly basis, hopefully in place by the first of the year. Discussed recent accidents: Early Monday morning on 45 South by Monico, Jeep vs Semi, 3 injured, with driver extracted and air lifted out. Driver of jeep fell asleep. Keiffer said the Highway Department, along with county Sheriff's Department personnel, did a great job with traffic control and getting the road open as quickly as possible. About an hour after cleaning up that accident, a roll over near the same location with minor injuries. Discussed Lincoln County wrong way driver on USH 51 that went head on with a Motor Coach bus, resulting in fatality of driver.
5. Discussed reflective vest, bracelets, and bike lights. Kirby and Cooper distributed items at the Oneida County Fair. Wrycha suggested attending a future Lakeland Safety Days in Minocqua.
6. **Motion:** Keiffer/McEldowney to purchase 350 slap bracelets and 200 safety vests. All ayes.
7. Highway safety reports from Panosh: Wisconsin has 350 fatalities to date, compared to 347 this same time last year. Almost 1/3 of all fatals are alcohol related. National 'Drunk Driving' mobilization just started, and will run for two weeks. Governor's Conference begins on the 24th.
8. WisDOT construction reports: Keiffer reviewed the 511 website with current and ongoing construction information around the state, as well as detour information. The website also has weather related road conditions.
9. Public comments
 - Kirby mentioned that, since he is no longer the driver's education teacher at the high school, if we would like someone else to chair the committee. The committee unanimously agreed to keep him as Chair. Cooper will contact the new driver education teacher to see if he would be interested in joining committee. Cooper will also contact the county coroner and the health department for members, and the Emergency Management Director to see if an EMT would like to be added to the committee.
10. Future meetings scheduled November 21st, 2017, February 20th, 2018, May 15th, 2018, August 21st, 2018, and November 20th, 2018. All meetings are at 12:30 p.m. at the Rhinelander Highway Shop.
11. **Motion:** Keiffer/McEldowney to adjourn at 1:40 p.m. All ayes.

Committee Chairperson

Committee Vice-Chairperson