



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION

PORTAGE COUNTY LAW
ENFORCEMENT CENTER
LEC TRAINING ROOM
1500 STRONGS AVENUE
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

10:00 AM

REMOTE ATTENDANCE & COMMENT

To attend this meeting by telephone: dial 1-872-242-7813. After dialing the number, you will then be asked to enter a meeting number. Use the following meeting number: 978 985 374, then press #.

To attend this meeting by video: email snowk@co.portage.wi.gov no later than September 1st, 2023 to request an invite.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to Order a 10:00 AM (Ostrowski)

Members Present: J Check, J Ostrowski, B Beaudoin, T Kemnitz, D Kontos, C Budzinski, J Gemza, D Hicketheir, J Pavelski, D Jankowski, B Uitenbroek, B Noel, H Schultz, T Reed

Members Excused: R Stertz, C Loiselle

Members Absent: D Brugman, A Haga

Others Present: S Beduhn, K Snow, K Scott

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

CORRESPONDENCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of June 6th, 2023 Minutes

Motion by Kontos, seconded by Jankowski, to approve the June 6th, 2023 Minutes. Motion carried by voice vote with no negative votes.

REPORTS

2. Status of Highway Construction and Safety Project/Repair Proposals

- Wisconsin Department of Transportation
- Portage County Highway Department
- Municipal Projects

WISDOT (Kemnitz)

- Hwy 66 from J East to Hwy 49 - 10.5 mile pave and resurfacing project, new gravel shoulders, and new markings. Sep 5th - Nov 1st. Single lane closures with flaggers.

County Highway Department (Check)

- Cty K Project complete.
- Cty R project currently underway and will end in October.
- Cty P - east of Junction City west to County Line, Mill and Overlay. Start Sep 5th and last two weeks. Junction City east to Hwy HH, overlay. End of September.
- Planning Departments between County, City and Plover are working on a Safe Streets for All Grant. Will be looking at areas for demonstration projects for safety improvements for both biped and vehicles.

Municipal Projects (Beduhn)

- EM Copps Dr in the Business Park - Mill and Overlay. Done by Sep 9th.

3. County Highway Safety Coordinator Report

Nothing to Report (Beaudoin)

4. Crash Spot Map

- Portage County Sheriff's Office
- Stevens Point Police Department
- Plover Police Department

April 1, 2023 - June 30, 2023

- PTSO (Beaudoin) - 142 crashes, 112 property only, 30 personal injury, 0 fatalities. 44 persons injured, 0 fatalities. 12 Hit&Run, 11 property only, 1 injury. 11 involving alcohol/drug impairment.
- SPPD (Uitenbroek) - 147 crashes, 27 personal injury. 50 persons injured, 0 fatalities. 2 involving alcohol/drug impairment.
- PLPD (Noel) - 95 crashes, 82 property, 13 personal injury, 0 fatal. 13 H&R. 15 persons injured. 0 involving alcohol/drug.

5. Wisconsin DOT Traffic Safety Engineer's Report

(Kemnitz)

- Contract a Consulting engineering company to evaluate the Highway 54 & Maple Dr roundabout that is identified as a crash hot spot. Vehicles are not slowing to appropriate speed. Three options: modify entry, modify central island or modify both. Still working to identify best option.
- I 39 and Hwy HH northbound off ramp. Working on signage adjustments. Working on installing signals for the right turn lane.

6. Bureau of Transportation Safety Report

(Kontos)

- 2023 Q2 State and County Data Review and comparisons. Crashes about the same, severity is down, and zero fatalities. Majority of crashes in City of Stevens Point.
- Review of various crash flags.
- Data Quality Reminder - record contributing factor on the crash report using the multi-select boxes, not just in the narrative. If factors change, amend the report.
- Q3 and Q4 Messaging and Campaign dates.
- Community Maps updates and User Group Meeting.
- Reporting Work zone Crashes and defining work zone areas.

DISCUSSION

7. Traffic Safety Legislation

Nothing to Report

8. Emergency Medical Services Operations

Nothing to Report

9. Traffic Incident Management Operations

Nothing to Report

10. Upcoming Traffic Safety Training Opportunities

Nothing to Report

11. Public Education Programs and Opportunities

Nothing to Report

12. Traffic Safety Grant Updates

(Ostrowski)

- For 2024, might be some funding. More to come later.

13. Locations of Traffic Hazards and Recommended Improvements

Nothing to Report

14. 2024 Traffic Safety Commission Meeting Dates - Quarterly on the First Tuesday of the Third Month, at 10:00 AM

- March 5th, 2024
- June 4th, 2024
- September 3rd, 2024
- December 3rd, 2024

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION**15. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)**

- Request for special meeting attendance
- Approval of attendance of special meetings
- Special meeting attendance reports

NEXT MEETING DATE December 5th, 2023 at 10AM, LEC Training Room

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kemnitz, seconded by Gemza, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, with no negative votes. Meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM.