

Green Lake County Highway Traffic Safety Commission

April 22, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Brooks, Loudenslager, Meyer, Plagenz, Putzke, Slate, Soda, Statz, Podoll, Aslesen

Members Absent: Sargent

Visitors: Jeffrey Klingbeil and Corey Foster

The meeting was called to order by Commission Chairman Mark Putzke at 9 a.m. with eleven members present. Declaration was made that the open meeting law requirements were met and that a quorum was present. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the printed agenda was reviewed and approved following a motion from Meyers/Soda. The January 21, 2014, meeting minutes were approved unanimously via the Chair.

Correspondence:

1. Letter to Mr. Klingbeil from Anthony Kemnitz
2. Letter from Mr. Klingbeil to WisDOT
3. Letter to Chairman Putzke from Aimee Loudenslager
4. Letter to Anthony Kemnitz from Mark Putzke

Alternative Travel Plan

- a. It was suggested that all municipal ordinances be similar relative to safety and uniformity.
- b. The topic of horse-drawn carriages needs continuous action. It was suggested to make use of the Amish newsletter. Mr. Meyers witnessed an Amish buggy going down to the wrong side of the road. Sheriff Pudoll stated there continue to be problems dealing with motorists meeting buggy traffic.

Reports and Concerns

- a. Coordinator:
 1. Mr. Putzke reported relative to crashes at Sth 73/Cty Rd AW and suggested optional needs at the intersection (flashing stop signs, add a second stop sign). Motion by Slate/Meyers that Mr. Putzke draft a letter to Columbia County officials addressing this carried unanimously.
 2. Other items:
 - a. Click it or Ticket Grant received
 - b. More enforcement on Sth 23 detour
 - c. SB509 – husbandry laws
 - d. DOT/BOT – Zieth Letter
 - e. Need for uniformed gold cart ordinance
 - f. 2013 spot maps

- b. Highway Commissioner
 - 1. Ms. Brooks reported status of safe school routes in Markesan and Amish School signing.
 - 2. She further reported on county road projects such as:
 - a. Sth 23 – Green Lake to Ripon
 - b. Sth 44 – overlay Markesan to Manchester
 - c. Cty S & A
 - d. Cty D White River Bridge
 - e. Cty A (I to Tichora Road)
- c. State Patrol – New state patrolman in the area is Rick Peterke
- d. DOT/BOT – Mr. Foster informed the groups of current highway traffic statistics and fatalities.

Future Meetings and Adjournment

- a. Future meetings-Tuesday, October 20, 2014; Tuesday, January 21, 2015; Tuesday, April 22, 2014; Tuesday, July 15, 2015.
- b. The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m. following a motion by Soda/Meyers.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyle Plagenz, Secretary