

**COLUMBIA COUNTY
HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

Columbia County Law Enforcement Center
John Roche Community Room
May 9, 2014 @ 9:30 a.m.

Members: Doug Jarzynski, Pat Beghin, Mike Brouette, Chuck Miller, Penny Kiefer, Ryan Mayer, Robert Andler, Harlan Baumgartner, Pat Cadigan, Francis Schelfhout, Avis Link, Eugene Brown, Corey Foster

Others: Kirk Konkkel, Mary Cupery

Meeting called to order: 9:36a.m. by Doug Jarzynski.

Motion to approve the agenda and the previous meeting minutes was made by Harlan Baumgartner, Seconded by Pat Cadigan. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. *Update on request for review of intersection of HWY 51/16 / CTH P in the Town of Pacific for safety improvements.* Ryan Meyers of DOT briefed the commission on the planned improvements at this location and provided a drawing of the improvements to the intersection. He stated that the improvements are planned to be done in 2016. No action taken on this.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. *Discussion / review of the intersection design of certain county and township roads regarding the approach to adjoining roads.* Pat Cadigan informed the commission that county highway will be doing an assessment on all county highways. County highways will be starting to address the problems found at the intersections as they do road projects on the county highway system. Cadigan stated that he will keep the commission up to date on the projects they will be doing.
2. *Request for speed reduction and extension of no passing zone on STH 16 in the area of Johnson Road in the Town of Columbus.* Doug Jarzynski indicated he had been contacted by a person who was concerned about the traffic on hwy 16 by Johnson Road. The person indicated that they thought a speed reduction to 45 mph was needed in the area. A video was shown of the area. Per DOT they will not be lowering the speed in that area. No other action taken on this.
3. *Highway Safety Commission appointments from 05/2014 to 05/2016.*
Motion was made to confirm all the appointments to the Highway Safety Commission by Avis Link. Seconded by Harlan Baumgartner. Motion passed.
4. *STH 33, Baraboo to Portage, Corridor Study--Francis Schelfhout of State DOT.* Schelfhout stated that the state will be doing a project study on Hwy 33 from I90-94 to just east of Portage for improvements. DOT will report back on this when it is completed.

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT by Patrick Beghin

Beghin detailed that we have had no traffic fatalities in Columbia County this year.

BUREAU OF TRAFFIC SAFETY (BOTS) UPDATE:

Francis Schelfhout, the new BOTS contact, shared additional information with the commission members.

OTHER BUSINESS

DOT is looking at doing a safety improvement to the Hwy 51-60-22 intersection. DOT shared preliminary drawings of their plan with the commission. 2018 is the tentative date for the project. DOT will also be looking at the current signage in the area as well.

Pat Cadigan updated the commission on the No Passing Zone on CTH CX by the Wagon Wheel. They have the zone painted now with the spring weather.

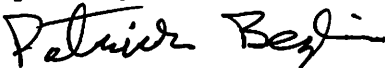
A concern about the right turn lane on Hwy 22 at CTH CSQ was brought up. Pat Cadigan indicated he will check the intersection and make sure all the pavement markings are up to date. A concern on the Allen Road part of this intersection was also discussed.

Kirk Konkel made a request to DOT for information on a number of state highways in the county on the condition of the highways and when the state was planning on making repairs. DOT will be looking to get that information.

Motion was made by Andler to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m. Seconded by Link. Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date: Friday, August 8th 2014 at 9:30 a.m. at the Columbia County Law Enforcement Center.

Respectfully submitted,



Patrick Beghin
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