

**COLUMBIA COUNTY HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

Columbia County Law Enforcement Center
John Roche Community Room
August 13, 2010 @ 9:30 a.m.

Members: Doug Jarzynski, Pat Beghin, Eugene Brown, Vern Gove, Kurt Dey, Joseph Ruf, James Grothman, Robert Andler, Andrea Loeffelholz, Dan Meister, Graham Heitz, Avis Link, Chuck Miller, Penny Kiefer, Charles Poches

Meeting called to order: 9:35 a.m. by Doug Jarzynski

Motion to approve previous meeting minutes and 08/13/10 agenda made by Brown. Seconded by Andler. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. *Update on request for review of CTH U from Old CTH U to Reuman Road in the Town of Caledonia for placement of Residential Signage. The committee was informed that the residential signage was now in place at that location.*

NEW BUSINESS

1. *Request for review of STH 33 in the Town of Caledonia from I90/94 to Sauk County line regarding safety concerns involving hydroplaning issues. The committee discussed the issue in that area. They were advised by Heitz of DOT that he will look at the crash data for that area. Dey advised the committee that DOT looked at that area when they were paving STH 33 in Sauk County, but Dey indicated that DOT did not decide to repave the area in Columbia County as well at the time. Motion to forward this issue to the state for review was made by Jarzynski. Seconded by Link. Motion carried.*
2. *Request for review of speed reduction request on Country Club Road from 55 mph to 35 mph in the Towns of Wyocena/Marcellon. The committee discussed the request to make a reduction down to the 35 mph speed. The road currently does not meet the requirements to be reduced down to 35 mph. A speed study would need to be conducted in that area to reduce the speed limit to 35mph and that the speed study would need to be at the local expense. The town can reduce the speed from 55mph to 45 mph without a speed study. Motion was made by Dey to advise the town to reduce the speed to 45 mph with 35 mph advisory signs with a golf course sign. Seconded by Kiefer. Motion carried. The Committee also indicated that the town should contact the state direct to see if the state would help in the speed study. This issue will also be placed on the next hwy Safety agenda for follow up.*
3. *Request for review of speed reduction requests on West North Shore Drive, Dietz Drive, and East North Shore Drive in the Township of Wyocena. Video of the area in question was shown to the It was discussed to reduce the speed limit from 35 mph to 25 mph zone in this area. The committee discussed that the town is able to reduce this area from the 35 mph to 25 mph without the committee approval, but that the town was looking for support on this issue from the Highway Safety Commission meeting. Motion to reduce the speed on this road from the 35 mph to the 25 mph was made by Poches. Seconded by Brown. Motion carried.*

FATAL ACCIDENT REPORT by Patrick Beghin

Beghin briefed the commission concerning the fatalities that occurred in last three months including limited information of a fatality that occurred and was investigated by Wisconsin State Patrol and we have not received a copy of that fatality report yet.

BUREAU OF TRAFFIC SAFETY (BOTS) UPDATE: Andrea Loeffelholz

Loeffelholz updated the committee on the upcoming issues within BOTS.

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY REPORT AND HIGHWAY SAFETY INPUT:

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

Motion to adjourn was made by Andler at approximately 10:27 a.m. Seconded by Dey. Motion carried.

Next Meeting Date: Friday, November 12, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. at the Columbia County Law Enforcement Center John Roche Community Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Beghin
Columbia County Emergency Management
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Approved