



APPROVED MINUTES
Traffic Safety Commission Meeting
Tuesday November 14, 2017 at 9:30 A.M.
Community Room of the Health & Human Services Building
303 W Chapel Street
Dodgeville, Wisconsin 53533

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Any subject on this agenda may become an action item.

1	Members were present. Meeting called to order at 9:35am by Chair Hardy
2	Roll call: Highway Commissioner Hardy, Austin Durst, Sheriff's Dept.; Kaivon Souri, Sheriff's Dept; Ryan Mayer, WisDOT; Thomas Forbes, Iowa County Board; Joe Thomas, Ridgeway Town Chair; Kurt Schultz, Governor's Council of Highway Safety; Annette Biggin, SWTC Driver's Education. Also present: Greg Parman Iowa County Board, Jo Hazen Lamers Bus Comapny, Terry Askevold, Jim Wenzler, Diane Halverson, Ron Retallick with Wildfire ATV Club, and Travis Disch with Pec-Valley ATVers.
3	Approve the agenda for this "11-14-2017" meeting and the minutes of the August 15, 2017 meeting. Agenda for this 11-14-2017 meeting and minutes of the 08-15-2017 meeting were approved by unanimous consent.
4	Report from committee members: request from Judy with Lamers Bus Company to address some concerns with buses being passed at stops along STH 14. Concerns expressed with regards to the USH 18/151 work zone extensions around Ridgeway. The ending location for the workzone on westbound USH 18/151 caused some issues for traffic entering 151 from CTH HH east of Ridgeway due to distances. Traffic turning westbound could not enter at times (morning and afternoon peak) due to westbound traffic accelerating and eastbound traffic decelerating when entering form CTH HHH, led to many close calls and backups. Asked WisDOT to consider different signage at the location for the 2018 season, and to reconsider ending points of the workzones. Ryan Mayer will follow up with the WisDOT construction managers.
5	Highway safety Coordinator's association ATV Route guidelines document. Chair Hardy distributed in the meeting packets a copy of a new document created by the Highway Safety Coordinator's Association with regards to considerations for adoption of ATV/UTV road routes. Hardy summarized a few portions of the guidance document and provided to members as a tool for consideration of ATV/UTV route requests of the County TSC.
6	ATV/UTV Ordinance discussion. Chair Hardy summarized that in December of 2016 the Iowa County ATV/UTV ordinance was revised, which requires new ATV/UTV routes to be first proposed to the county for consideration of adoption to the November quarterly meeting of the County Traffic Safety Commission. In addition, the ordinance now requires the Highway Department to provide all signage installations and to bill the ATV/UTV club sponsoring the routes for the signage and installation. In addition, ordinances were created, modified, or revised or the following jurisdictions in the county since the 2016 county ordinance amendment: Towns of Arena, Brigham, Moscow, and Ridgeway; Villages of Arena and Ridgeway; and Lafayette County. Discussed some highlights of all of the changes which were: Lafayette County ordinance was revised to include restrictions and penalties for open intoxicants, speed limits, and seatbelt usage in utvs; adoption of routes for Arena, Brigham, and Ridgeway; adoption and rescinding of an ordinance for Moscow due to the sale of the Countryside Lanes bowling alley at CTH F and STH 39. Discussion of the Iowa County ordinance and consideration of changes to utv seatbelt usage, open intoxicants, and hours of operation.

	<p>Motion by Souri for the TSC to recommend to the Iowa County Public Works Committee to revise the county ATV/UTV ordinance 600.18B to not allow any open intoxicants during operation of an ATV/UTV on county designated routes and trails to be consistent with Lafayette County. Motion seconded by Forbes. After further discussion a friendly amendment was offered to include a minimum municipal fee of \$200 for any citations/violations. Motion carried unanimously.</p> <p>Motion by Thomas to recommend the Iowa County Public Works Committee consider a revision to the Iowa County ATV/UTV Ordinance 600.18B to require seatbelt usage by riders, occupants, and operators of UTV's. Seconded by Biggin. Friendly amendment was offered to include a minimum municipal fee of \$200 for any citations/violations. Motion and friendly amendment approved unanimously.</p>
7	<p>ATV/UTV route request in the towns of Brigham, Moscow, and Ridgeway. Motion by Thomas to recommend adoption of the proposed routes on CTH H, HH, K, and STH 191 associated with creating a route from Hollandale to Ridgeway. Motion seconded by Biggin. Discussion of the routes and township roads involved. The proposed route for CTH K to Urness Road was recommended in 2016 by Hardy and Bennett due to some concerns with utilizing the previously proposed intersection of CTH H and CTH K near Mill Creek Road. Sight visibility at all intersections will meet or exceed the minimum required for 55 MPH speed limits for all county routes. Motion and friendly amendment approved unanimously.</p>
8	<p>ATV/UTV route requests in the Towns of Arena and Wyoming. Routes were requested from the Wildlife Forever ATV Club in the townships of Arena and Wyoming, a map of the proposed routes was distributed in the committee packets. Several members of the ATV/UTV club were in attendance to express their concerns and opinions on the routes proposed and atv/utv routes in general. In addition, contributed to the committee discussion of various routes and locations of concern. After some discussion of the various roads and areas of concern along CTH H, K, and C; the commission became concerned with safety and criteria for adoption of routes. Concerns expressed for routes on the map in Brigham and Ridgeway. The club stated they did not intend to request routes in those townships, just Arena at this time. In Arena, concerns with CTH C west of CTH CC, CTH H at Amacher Hollow Road, CTH T at Erdmann Road, CTH KK to Dane County, and CTH K along the whole route due to traffic volumes, CTH H between the CTH T intersections. Motion by Biggin to table further review of the proposed routes until the February TSC meeting with the Sheriff's office and Highway Commissioner to review the routes prior to then with any recommendations, also for the Commissioner to verify if Dane County has any adopted ATV/UTV routes which abut Iowa County. Seconded by Thomas. Motion carried unanimously; for further discussion at the February 20th 2018 meeting.</p>
9	<p>ATV/UTV bills proposed in legislature. Hardy summarized some proposed legislative bills circulating the capital which may change the county ordinances relate dot signage of atv/utv routes within municipal jurisdictions and the ability of municipalities to adopt routes not under their maintenance jurisdiction or authority if speed limits are 35 MPH or less. Hardy will update at future meetings if either of those proposals become law.</p>
10	<p>Golf cart ordinances for Avoca and Highland. The villages of Avoca and Highland had adopted golf cart ordinances which were distributed in the committee packets. The routes would result in crossings of STH 133 in Avoca and STH 80 at two locations in Highland per the ordinances.</p>
11	<p>Ridge street intersection with USH 151 interchange in Mineral Point township discussion. The township had expressed some concerns and if anything could be done with regards to traffic missing the USH 151 on ramp at Ridge street, continuing northerly on Ridge street, then missing the curve and driving over the embankment. Historically, guardrail used to be at the location along with the red diamond notices, however; traffic used to drive through the guardrail, so the township has removed it after replacing several</p>

	<p>times. The red diamonds are routinely replaced as well. Mayer with WisDOT traffic was asked to review the location. Mayer commented the intersection is unique to the region because of its design and connections. He stated WisDOT recommended to have some roadway markings enhanced and placed for direction of traffic off of Ridge street and onto the USH 151 on ramps. Also, recommended a night arrow be placed at the curve on Ridge street. Lastly, he stated a flashing beacon could also be placed at the curve to warn drivers of the change in direction, but that could also result in confusion to drivers by diverting their attention away from USH 151 signage. Review of the incidents at the location concluded the majority were late hour and alcohol related. No further action recommended at this time.</p>
12	<p>BOTS report. Robert Bott resigned his position with WisDOT. No other BOTS staff were available for the meeting from WisDOT due to a conflict with an annual conference. Hardy distributed the written report from Trace Frost with BOTS as a consultant to committee members and review of statewide and county accidents occurred.</p>
13	<p>Spot Map reports and review. Souri summarized the accident/incident history of the last quarter for the committee. In addition, we reviewed the county spot map and queried other information for the committee as well.</p>
14	<p>Committee agreed to the following Quarterly meeting schedule for 2018: 1st Quarter meeting on Tuesday February 20th 2018 2nd Quarter meeting on Tuesday May 15th 2018 3rd Quarter meeting on Tuesday August 14th 2018 4th Quarter meeting on Tuesday November 13th 2018.</p>
15	<p>Other business for discussion. Judy Hazen presented a map/drawing of a bus stop on STH 14 in the vicinity of 7558/7462. She asked for some assistance from the committee due to issues with traffic passing the bus when lights are flashing at this location. Due to traffic speeds and amount of traffic, it is difficult for the bus driver to catch a vehicle plate/tag number for reporting. Discussion of potential signage installations and procedures as to if anything could be installed to aid drivers of education of the issue. Mayer will review state protocols for installation of the black and white “Stop for School Bus Flashing Red Lights” signage, and for site visibility for school bus advance warning signs. Topic tabled for the February 2018 TSC meeting.</p>
16	<p>Motion to adjourn by Thomas, carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm. Next meeting will be on Tuesday February 20, 2018 at 9:30AM.</p>
<p>Minutes by Highway Department</p>	