JEFFERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 20th, 2023

The Jefferson County Traffic Safety Commission met on Thursday, April 20th, 2023, at 1:00 P.M. for a meeting at the Jefferson County Highway Office.

ROLL CALL OF THE HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:

Members present: Delzer, Kern, Chilsen, Cooper, Kinderman, Martin, Udovich, Wells, Wiessinger

Members absent: Milbrath, Ward

Also Present: Kelsey Perry, Highway Department

Jacob Borth, Highway Department

Aaron Peterson, State Patrol Representative Jeff Meloy, City of Watertown Police Department

Walt Christensen, Public Comment

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES:

The minutes from the January, 19th, 2023, Jefferson County Traffic Safety Commission meeting, having been distributed in advance, it was moved by Cooper and seconded by Kern to approve the minutes as printed. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Concerns regarding the Highway 18 and 89 intersection

PUBLIC COMMENT:

What is the expectation of resident's regarding traffic concerns and speeding during the morning rush hour. Since the Sheriff was not present in the meeting the Committee directed Walt to bring his comments to the Sheriff or the Sheriff's office.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

10. Traffic Accident Spot Map – Jefferson County Sheriff's Department

The Spot Map was reviewed by the Committee. 6 Crashes, 7 Fatalities from January 2023 to April 2023. See attached documents for additional details and link to Community Maps. No Motion.

11. WisDOT Southwest Region, Madison - Traffic Section

Chris Wells - No Major Updates.

12. WisDOT Bureau of Transportation Safety – Transportation Safety Report & Highway Safety Input

Randy Wiessinger presented new updates for Community Maps. Randy also suggested crash data training for law enforcement individuals that respond to crash scenes for more accurate reporting of crashes and the factors that contributed to the crash.

- Governor's Conference on Highway Safety will be August 29th-31st, 2023
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Speed Awareness Day is July 26th, 2023

13. Wisconsin State Patrol

State Patrol discussed having open forums at schools. Meeting to be schedule in the next week or 2 for further discussion and brainstorming. State Patrol also discussed how speeding trends are on the rise.

14. Village/City Police Department-Reports

Brian Udovich presented a complaint the Town of Jefferson received about bright lights on Business 26 in the January 19th meeting, this was reviewed and the lights have since been rotated away from the roadway to reduce glare.

15. Jefferson County Highway Department-Report

Construction on Highway E to begin next week. Construction on Highway F to begin in the next couple of weeks and go through early June. Construction on Highway Q to Highway 19 will also begin soon.

The next Traffic Safety Commission meeting is set for July 20th, 2023, at the Jefferson County Highway Department, at 1:00 P.M.

Motion by Kern and seconded by Udovich to adjourn at 2:00 p.m. Carried unanimously.