

Green County Traffic Safety Commission Meeting Minutes March 18, 2021

The Green County Traffic Safety Commission met at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 18, 2021, at the Green County Highway Department, Commissioner's Office located at 2813 6th Street, Monroe, WI 53566 and via Zoom.

Members Present: Chris Narveson (Chairman – Green County Highway Department Commissioner), Jeff Skatrud (Green County Sheriff), and Trace Frost (Bureau of Transportation Safety)

Members Absent: Charlene Schmid (Wisconsin Department of Transportation), Troy Maggied (SWWRPC), Craig Nolen (Law Representative), Alan Gerber (City of Monroe), Joe Davis (Bureau of Transportation Safety Regional Program Manager), Fred Kelley (Monroe Police Chief), RoAnn Warden (Green County Health Department) and Edward Witkiewicz (Wisconsin State Patrol)

Also Attending: Suzan Nast (Wisconsin Department of Transportation), Jeff Sturdevant (NGPD), Deputy Chief Trevor Long (Brodhead Police Department), Szvon Conway (Monticello Police Department), Sergeant Adam Zoch (Wisconsin State Patrol) and Trooper Dan Noble (Wisconsin State Patrol)

- 1) Call to Order: Chairman Chris Narveson called the meeting to order.
- 2) Roll Call/Sign In: Everyone introduced themselves and signed in.
- 3) Review Proposed Agenda: Agenda was approved as submitted.
- 4) The September 24, 2020 minutes was approved.
- 5) Public Comment: None.
- 6) Old Business
 - a. Request on stop lights at STH 69 intersection in the Town of New Glarus. – Jeff Sturdevant spoke of citizen complaints received regarding the timing of the lights. Charlene to review and follow-up direct with Jeff Sturdevant.
 - b. Request from Green County ATV Club regarding opening up County Trunk Highways. Specifically from Town of Decatur to Monroe. – Chris Narveson advised the Committee that Corporate Counsel is drafting an Ordinance. It will be approximately three months before the Ordinance is approved. A copy of the Ordinance will be provided to the Traffic Safety Committee once available.
 - c. Request on Reduction of Speed Limit on STH 81 to past CTH N to the West – Discussion was held and Ryan Mayer will add a speed study to the winter list permitting weather. The data will be reviewed and appropriate speed will be determined. If weather does not permit for study it will be conducted after anticipated 2020 construction project is completed. – Suzan Nast advised a speed study was not conducted. Charlene will review for next meeting.
- 7) New Business
 - a. Request from Village of Albany requesting ATV/UTV access to STH 59. – Chris Narveson advised that the Village submitted a DT1504 permit

application to the WisDOT for this request. Suzan provided WisDOT personnel contact information for the applicant to follow-up.

- b. Discussion was held on the CTH KS & CTH K intersection in the Town of Jefferson – Chris Narveson spoke of CTH S and STH 11 intersection crashes and semi traffic. Suzan advised Charlene will look into this further.
- c. Discussion of considering rumble strips and flashing lights on the stop sign at the intersection of CTH T and STH 81 (southbound). – Chris Narveson advised this location was previously brought to the Traffic Safety Committee regarding crash concerns. Jeff Skatrud and Trevor Long advised that the crash issues are resulting from failure to yield and misjudging speed of oncoming traffic. Suzan reported that Charlene has a request submitted for rumble strips or beacon lights for an interim solution. Suzan will advise Charlene that the Highway Department and Sheriff's Department is in favor of the beacon lights and not the rumble strips.
- d. Request from Bailey's Run Vineyard on reduction of speed limit on STH 39 and Klitzke Road. Chris Narveson reported that this request was previously brought to the Traffic Safety Committee. Suzan advised that a speed study is required for reduction requests. No speed study has been conducted. Suzan suggested that the Owner contact the WisDOT on options and sign examples for the TOD sign request that was previously denied. Town of New Glarus will be conducting a traffic counter on Klitzke Road and will share the results with the Committee.

8) Reports, Correspondence, and Updates

Sheriff Skatrud's Quarterly Accident Reports and Review – Presented and discussed the 2020 crash report.

Commission Members –

- a. Trace Frost provided and discussed legislative changes, year to date traffic deaths.
- b. Green County Traffic Safety Task Force Update – No update.

9) Next Meeting Date: June 17, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

10) Adjournment: The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.