

CALUMET COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

April 18, 2023

The Calumet County Traffic Safety Commission meeting was called to order on April 18, 2023, at 1:00 PM, by Chairperson Brian Glaeser.

Commission Members Present: Brian Glaeser, Sheriff Brett Bowe, Sgt. Henry Glick, Rick Olig, Mason Simmons, Cleveland Gombar, Drew Holland, Kenneth Draheim, and Joseph Piraino; Kent Katalinick was excused

Others Present: None

A motion was made by Olig, seconded by Bowe, to approve the Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Draheim, seconded by Piraino, to approve the Minutes of the October 18, 2022 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation: None

Committee Member Reports:

- A. BOTS Report: Olig reported as of 04/18/23 statewide, there have been 113 fatalities compared to 143 in 2022. Countywide there has been one fatality compared to one fatality in 2022.

The top crash locations in the county were discussed. Two locations were in the City of Appleton, one at Kensington and Calumet Streets, and the other was the diverging diamond interchange. The top crash locations as reported by the sheriff's office were a .39 mile stretch on CTH KK in the Village of Harrison, State Park Rd. and HWY 114 in the Village of Harrison, and a 1.74 mile stretch on HWY 57 north of Chilton, in the Town of Chilton.

Olig advised in Community Maps a new tab was added for the BOTS Crash Comparison Dashboard.

Olig talked about crashes where damage to government property is involved. He noted that a significant number of these crashes are on state highways and the reimbursement levels for these crashes is low. He encouraged the use of government property tags on all damage to government property, as they are used to track the damage to the crash report and invoice the insurance company/owner.

Some upcoming 2023 Traffic Safety Dates are:

- Click It or Ticket to run from 5/15 - 6/4
- Speed Awareness Day around 7/25

- Impaired Driving to run from 8/16 - 9/4
- Governor's Conference on Highway Safety is 8/28 - 8/30, at Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells

Olig presented some Legislative updates. One update is SB-150, a proposal for Ignition Interlock Restricted License (IIRL), which applies to first time OWI offenders with a blood alcohol content below 0.15. Offenders would have the option of applying for an occupational license or an IIRL and in many cases would be able to apply for the IIRL sooner than an occupational license.

Also presented was SB-120, Public hearing 3/28/23, a bill clarifying that public safety employees may bargain with municipal employers about who will be covered by a health care coverage plan selected by the municipal employer.

Olig also noted Governor Evers signed into law the Reckless Driving Impoundment bill in which a political subdivision may enact an ordinance authorizing law enforcement officers to impound vehicles wherein a person is cited for reckless driving, is the owner of the vehicle, and has outstanding forfeitures for prior reckless driving offenses.

- B. DOT Updates: Simmons reported work is being done on the 441 pedestrian walking bridge east over USH 10, to include repainting, and improvements to the fencing and guardrails.

Communications: None

Items for Action or Discussion:

- A. Work Zone Safety Awareness Week (April 17th – 21st): Glaeser indicated this is Work Zone Safety Awareness Week and talked of the importance of drivers being aware of highway workers and safe driving in work zones.
- B. HWY 32/57 South of Chilton Speed Zone Review: The agenda item led to conversation north of Chilton and we will have to revisit the complaint on HWY 57 south of Chilton. It was noted at the top of the hill north of Chilton on HWY 32/57, there is a school bus sign to warn traffic.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 18, 2023, at 1:00 PM.

A motion was made by Draheim, seconded by Olig, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Unapproved minutes.

Calumet County Sheriff's Office
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