

**Marinette County
Traffic Safety Commission**

MINUTES

Wednesday, August 12, 2009, 10:00 a.m.
2161 University Drive
Law Enforcement Center Conference Room

Members Present: Lt. Jim Albright, Randy Asman, Russ Bousley, Bruce Conover,
Dr. Dean Magnin, Mike Panosh, David Thibodeau and Tom Westlund
Excused: Rick Ahrens, Allen Brey, Mark Desotell and Brian Knapp
Others Present: Fae Olson, Secretary

1. Call to Order. Roll Call.

Chair Albright called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Approve/Amend Agenda Items.

MOTION (Bousley/Magnin) to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.
No negative vote.

3. Approve/Amend Minutes of May 13, 2009 Meeting.

MOTION (Thibodeau/Westlund) to approve the Minutes as written. Motion carried.
No negative vote.

4. Public Comment.

Dave Thibodeau inquired about signage on Hwy 41 and Kamm Road in the Town of Grover.

5. Highway Department Report.

Hwy 64 and Co T project to be completed by end of the year.

6. State Patrol Traffic Report.

None at this time.

7. Marinette Police Department Traffic Report.

None at this time.

8. School Related Traffic Report.

Tom Westlund stated the first day of school will be September 1st.

9. D.O.T. Traffic Concerns and Updates.

Randy Asman commented on the following:

- School zone speed signage on Hwy 41 in the City of Marinette completed by State.
- Speed limit signage on Hwy 41 before and after construction in the City of Peshtigo completed.
- Speed sign on Hwy 64 heading east off CP was rechecked and appropriate signage.

10. B.O.T. Information and Updates.

Mike Panosh reported there were 309 vehicle fatalities in WI so far in 2009, which is down from 340 at this same time last year. There have been 58 motorcycle fatalities so far in 2009. In 2008 Marinette County had 9 fatalities and so far in 2009 there have been 15; Oconto County has 1 fatality, 2008 they had 7; Shawano County has 7 fatalities, 2008 they had 14. Primary seat belt observation will be done in the near future.

11. Marinette County Sheriff's Department Traffic Report.

Lt. Jim Albright commented the Sheriff's Department will be involved in the "Click It or Ticket" Program with primary dates August 29th and September 4th. Directional use information handed out to members.

12. Traffic Fatalities in Marinette County.

There have been five (5) traffic fatalities since the last meeting; Speed a factor in all accidents; 2 involving motorcycles; both cases helmets were not being worn. Town of Grover will be taking over the intersection near Hwy 41 and Kamm Road. More advanced notice of speed limit, street lighting, and reflective signage has been installed near Country Meadow Road; DOT believes accidents at Country Meadow Road have been due to railroad crossing and not Hwy 41; railroad crossing at County Meadow Road is most unsafe in the State of Wisconsin.

13. Future Agenda Items.

Possible new committee member(s). Update on Hwy 64 and Co T roundabout. Update on Co T roadwork.

13. Next Meeting Date.

Wednesday, November 11, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at LE Center

14. Adjourn.

MOTION (Westlund/Magnin) to adjourn at 10:46 a.m. Motion carried. No negative vote.

Respectfully submitted:
Fae Olson

Date approved/corrected: