

Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee

December 3, 2019

Third Floor Room #3308, Taylor County Courthouse

Call Meeting to Order: Fred Ebert called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Members Present: Dave Roiger, Rick Olig, Rick Tumaniec, Jill Scheithauer, Jeff Nuernberger, Alan Diede and Robert Horenberger

Others Present: Fred Ebert and Jesse Holtz

Motion by Olig/Tumaniec and carried to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2019 meeting of the Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee.

Motion by Roiger/Scheithauer and carried to approve the agenda with 8 items.

Jesse Holtz, Taylor County Sheriff's Office, reported on a total of 49 deer related crashes, one fatality on STH 64 and a semi accident on CTH M that closed the road. All occurred September – November 2019.

Rick Olig, BOTS Law Enforcement Liaison, reported that the accident related fatalities are lower than this time last year. 536 in 2018 and 508 in 2019.

Rick Tumaniec, WISDOT Traffic Safety Engineer

- Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over starting next week
- STH 64 sidewalk on the north side by the BP gas station

Other traffic safety issues:

- ATV usage within city limits, riders can travel from their residence to the closest route
- Drivers must be 16, have insurance and a valid driver's license.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee will be March 3, 2020 at 10:30 A.M.

Adjournment: Motion by Roiger/Olig and carried to adjourn at 11:15 a.m.

Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee

September 3, 2019

Third Floor Board Room, Taylor County Courthouse

Call Meeting to Order: Ben Stanfley called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
Members Present: Ben Stanfley, Nick Synol, Nathanael Brown, Jill Scheithauer, Rick Olig and Rick Tumaniec
Others Present: None

Motion by Brown/Tumaniec and carried to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2019 meeting of the Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee.

Motion by Scheithauer/Brown and carried to approve the agenda with 9 items.

Nick Synol, Taylor County Traffic Safety Coordinator reported on a total of 81 crashes between June and September of 2019. No fatal crashes occurred. Three crashes with serious injuries and seven with minor injuries. A total of 244 crashes so far in 2019.

Rick Olig, BOTS Law Enforcement Liaison

- Next year's Governor's Conference was held August 19 & 20 in Wisconsin Dells
- Motorcycle crash numbers are up compared to previous years
- Possible OWI 12-hour mandatory hold legislation

WISDOT Traffic Safety Engineer

- STH 13 & CTH O drainage issues have been passed to Ross Krause, with WISDOT
- No Passing Zone changes have been made
- The City of Medford was contacted regarding the pavement marking issues on Ann's Way and they are working with a contractor.

Discussion involving CTH A & CTH F intersection

- Rick will check if there is any assistance for intersection reconstruction
- Traffic hazard and is not a work zone
- Poses liability issues
- Recommends a removal date and then if necessary, further legal action

There were no other traffic safety issues to discuss.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee will be December 3, 2019 at 10:30 A.M.

Adjournment: Motion by Synol/Tumaniec and carried to adjourn at 11:35 a.m.

Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee

June 4, 2019

Third Floor Board Room, Taylor County Courthouse

Call Meeting to Order: Fred Ebert called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Members Present: Fred Ebert, Dave Roiger, Alan Diede, Nick Synol, Jonathan Luck, Nathanael Brown, Robert Horenberger, and Rick Tumaniec

Others Present: Randy Weissinger WISDOT/BOTS

Motion by Roiger/Diede and carried to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2019 meeting of the Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee.

Motion by Brown/Roiger and carried to approve the agenda with 8 items.

Nick Synol, Taylor County Traffic Safety Coordinator reported on a total of 79 crashes between March and June of 2019. One fatal crash occurred on 4/8/2019 in the Town of Taft. Four crashes had serious injuries and six crashes were alcohol related. A total of 157 crashes so far in 2019.

Randy Weissinger, BOTS Law Enforcement Liaison

- The YTD fatal crashes are down 6% with a total of 192 – 204.
- Oral fluid testing for drugs, during roadside stops, in in trial.

WISDOT Traffic Safety Engineer reported that nothing needs to be noted.

Other Traffic Safety Issues:

- The drainage issues on the STH 13 & CTH O were noted.
- The pavement markings on Ann's Way doesn't match the signage.
- STH 13 from Apple to Crane – the passing zone and signs do not match.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee will be September 3, 2019 at 10:30 A.M.

Adjournment: Motion by Roiger/Synol and carried to adjourn at 11:05 a.m.

Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee

March 5, 2019

Third Floor Board Room, Taylor County Courthouse

Call Meeting to Order: Ben Stanfley called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Ben Stanfley, Dave Roiger, Jill Scheithauer, Trace Frost, Alan Diede, Brock Rizzo and Nick Synol (arrived after the meeting had adjourned)

Others Present: Steven Bachman from WISDOT Northwest Region

Motion by Scheithauer/Rizzo and carried to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2018 meeting of the Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee.

Motion by Roiger/Diede and carried to approve the agenda with 8 items.

Trace Frost, BOTS Law Enforcement Liaison

- 70 fatalities statewide so far in 2019 compared to 93 last year.
- Taylor County had 5 fatalities, in 3 crashes, in 2018. The county five-year average is 3.
- Governors' Conference, on Highway Safety, will be held August 20-22, 2019 in WI Dells.

Steven Bachman, WISDOT Northwest Region

- Reported on four projects in Taylor County
 - STH 73 Chipseal CTH M to County Line
 - STH 73 Bridge rehab – Pinewood Drive will be closed
 - STH 64 Bridge rehab – Little Black river
 - STH 97 Culvert Work with detour

Other Traffic Safety Issues:

- Commissioner Ben Stanfley presented a concern from Nathanael Brown, director at Commission on Aging, regarding the curb cutouts being kept clear so when people are walking or using wheelchairs they can safely get down to the street and back out the other side when crossing the road.
- Commissioner Stanfley presented the updated seasonal weight permit form to be used beginning in 2019.
- A question was presented regarding how to get railroad crossing exemptions for school buses. The issue will be looked into by WISDOT.

Next Committee Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Taylor County Traffic Safety Committee will be June 4, 2019 at 10:30 A.M.

Adjournment: Motion by Roiger/Diede and carried to adjourn at 10:32 a.m.