

Sawyer County
Traffic Safety Commission Meeting Minutes
August 28th, 2019
Namekagon Transit

Present: Sheriff Doug Mrotek, Dan Kontos WI DOT, Chief Deputy Joe Sajdera, Lt. Greg Ripczinski, Hayward PD Chief Joel Clapero, Sawyer County Highway Commissioner Gary Gedart, Ross baker WI DOT, Town of Hayward PD Chief Malcolm Haag, Sawyer County EM Pat Sanchez, Don Hamblin TH Public Works, Amber Marlow LCOOCC, Craig Olson Hawyard School District, Cliff Parr WSP, John McQue CH PW, Karen Melasecca Namekagon Transit, Linda Zilmer Citizen

Meeting called ay 0901

1. Introductions made
2. Review of the May 2019 minutes. Approved by Gedart, 2nd by Parr
3. New Business: None
4. Marlow and Kontos presented
5. Roundtable Discussion:
 - Sheriff Mrotek: has concerns about Highway 27 where is narrow ups south of B and morning traffic. Backs ups and takes 7 to 8 minutes to get through the light.
 - Lt. Ripczinski: received the BOTS grant and reaching out to law enforcement partners. Will be looking at data to determine focus if enough personnel to cover areas.
 - Dan: Reviewed accident data and legislature updates (attached)
 - Chief Clapero: 27th South the lights need better timing and concerns that motorists are using the "suicide" lane to pass.
 - Craig Olson: School starts next week and increase in car and bus traffic
 - Sanchez: Informed members of the issue at Tower Road and difficulty in responding to the tower during outages to the communication tower.
 - McQue: Some issues with the road construction and found wooden pole penetrated the sewers. Repaired and water seems to flow better.
 - Gedart: Atvs on T speeding. Requests more LE presence. Road work in Village of Winter on W, 3 culvert replacements on NN, Crack sealing from hayward to Seeley. Discussed new DOT mandates for the use of rumble strips when working on roads and that it needs to be more specific to long term projects.
 - Chief Sajdera: Lot of festivals coming up.
 - Melasecca: Requested Namekagon Transit be informed of any road changes at Cranberry fest.
6. No other items for discussion
7. Next meeting will be November 20, 2019 at 0900.
8. Meeting adjourned 10:05

Respectfully submitted by Pat Sanchez