

CALUMET COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING

July 19, 2022

The Calumet County Traffic Safety Commission meeting was called to order on July 19, 2022, at 1:05 PM, by Chief Deputy Brett Bowe.

Commission Members Present: Chief Deputy Brett Bowe, Brian Glaeser, Joshua Falk, Rick Olig, Sgt. Henry Glick, Kenneth Draheim, and Joseph Piraino

Others Present: Pete Stier, Mary Ames, Tony Kohl, and Joan Kohl

Election of Chair and Vice Chair:

Election of Chair – Nominations by voice vote. Brian Glaeser was nominated for Chair and there were no other nominations. Draheim moved nominations be closed and cast a ballot for Glaeser as Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

Glaeser assumed the role of Chair of this committee.

Election of Vice Chair – Nominations by voice vote. Olig nominated Bowe for Vice Chair and there were no other nominations. Draheim moved nominations be closed and cast a ballot for Bowe for Vice Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Draheim, seconded by Bowe, to approve the Minutes for the October 19, 2021 meeting. It was asked if Assembly Bill 620, the law to waive the road test for a person under 18 was still in place and Olig indicated the waiver was still there, it has not changed. There being no other discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

Public Participation:

Tony Kohl, Joan Kohl, and Mary Ames indicated they lived on CTH N between USH 10 and STH 114 and spoke about concerns they have with the unsafe passing and speeding traffic traveling southbound and northbound on this stretch of CTH N. They requested the speed limit be lowered from 55 MPH and a no passing zone be implemented similar to what is coming out of Darboy.

Committee Member Reports:

- A. Review of 2022 Fatal Crashes. Olig stated statewide to date there were 293 fatalities compared to 270 in 2021. Countywide there were about the same number of crashes with an increase in minor injuries, impaired driving, and commercial motor vehicles. Olig also stated distracted driving is still an issue, motorcycle crashes are down, and there are still a significant number of speed related crashes, as well as teen driver crashes.

Olig advised of the upcoming dates:

- Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over runs August 17 – September 5
- Child Passenger Safety Week is September 19 – September 25
- Governor’s Conference on Highway Safety is August 29 -31, at Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells
- 2022 Speed Awareness Day is July 27

- B. Community Maps Updates. Olig gave a Community Maps update regarding the addition of additional flag filters, which can be used as a search filter.
- C. Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS) Update. Olig advised legislatively we are allowed to set a speed limit for ATV’s/UTV’s lower than the posted speed limit.

Bowe noted the Calumet County Sheriff’s Office participated in Click It or Ticket as a non-participating municipality.

Falk reported DOT currently has one project and that is on STH 114 from USH 10 to the south junction of STH 114. Construction is currently in stage 3 and will go until mid-September. Stage 4 will begin September 19, 2022 in the Village of Sherwood village limits and run through October.

Communications: None

Items for Action or Discussion:

- A. Discussion on Reduction of Speed Limit on CTH N between USH 10 and STH 114/55.
- B. Discussion on No Passing Zones Installed on CTH N between USH 10 and STH 114/55. Glaeser indicated these two items coincide with each other. Glaeser stated Tony Kohl had reached out to him regarding these issues. After discussion, Draheim made a motion to leave the speed limit as is and not to install no passing zones, seconded by Piraino. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. Discussion on Placement of Rumble Strips on State Park Rd. at USH 10 and at STH 114/55. Glaeser stated he received a number of requests for the placement of rumble strips on State Park Rd. due to people not stopping at the intersections of USH 10 and STH 114 but this is not something the County has control over being that State Park Rd. is a town (Village) road. At this time, the Highway Department will verify whether there are double stop signs in both directions at both intersections and if not, they will place them there.
- D. Discussion on Possible Speed Reduction on CTH E from 55 MPH to 45 MPH to the East of Irish Rd. and to the West of CTH Y. Glaeser advised he received a request from Steve Schneider of Phil’s Pumping for a reduced speed limit on CTH E east of

Irish Rd. to the west of CTH Y due to trucks entering and leaving the business. After discussion, Draheim made a motion for truck entrance signage, seconded by Bowe. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2022 at 1:00 PM.

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

Unapproved minutes.

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