

FOREST COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: May 16th, 2019
Committee: Traffic Safety
Committee Members Present: Lukas, Shaffer, Berg
Chief Deputy: Alex Walrath
Other Appearances: Rick Olig, Tony Kemnitz, Tegan Griffith, Tom Tallier, Todd Mulvey, Bruce Kramer.

MEETING MINUTES

1. 1:00 p.m. Alex Walrath called the meeting to order.
2. Motion by Lukas to approve the agenda. Second by Berg. Carried.
3. Motion by Berg to approve the minutes from the February 2019 Traffic safety meeting. Second by Lukas. Carried.
4. DOT updates. Tony Kemnitz advised the following. a. Hwy G would be closed for bridge repairs in the summer of 2019. b. Tony stated there would be closures on the overpass on the north side of Crandon due to placing a polymer overlay on the overpass surface. c. Tony stated DOT would be putting crosswalks on Hwy 32 in Wabeno at the intersections of Cavour Ave, Cecil Ave., and Hwy H. d. Opiate walk on the 17th from Fire keeper Rd to Mole Lake. e. Tony advised Hwy 8 will be closed during the Brush run parade on August 30th 2019 from 8AM to 2 PM.
5. BOTS update. Rick stated there have been a total of 61 vehicular accidents in Forest County in 2019. 17 car versus deer, 43 property or injury accidents, and 1 fatality. Of those accident 7 involved teen drivers, and 11 were not wearing seatbelts.
6. Discussion. Bruce Kramer advised the committee that he lives in the Carter area and requested a flashing traffic light south of Carter to slow the northbound traffic on Hwy 32. Bruce also requested the removal of the passing zone between Maple St and Elliot St. Chief Deputy Walrath advised Bruce that the Sheriff's Office would provide more speed enforcement in the area.

Tom Tallier asked Kemnitz if he felt there would be any liability if Forest County put a "Danger Private Driveway" sign on a Highway. Kemnitz recommended he discuss the matter with the Forest Co. Corporation Council and work with DOT engineers on the matter.

Todd Mulvey stated the Forest Co. Potawatomi have submitted safety grants and thanks Forest County for their assistance. For future improvements to Hwy H. And the Hwy 8 intersections with Young's Lane and Kwe Da Kik.
7. Set next meeting. August 15th 2019 at 1 PM.
8. Adjournment, Motion by Berg to adjourn. Second by Shaffer. Carried.