

**RACINE COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION**

**Summary Minutes – February 9, 2023**

Public Works & Development Services Conference Room  
Ives Grove Office Complex  
14200 Washington Avenue,  
Sturtevant, WI 53177

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**Members Present:**

- Julie Anderson – Racine County Public Works and Development Services Director
  - Daniel Adams – Highway Safety Coordinator
  - Alex Valley – Racine County PWDS Engineering Manager
  - Madeline Baumeister– Racine County Deputy Medical Examiner
  - Tom Knitter – TRIAD
  - Mike Borck - WisDOT
  - Matt Johnson – Waterford Police Department
  - David Stroupe – Mount Pleasant Police Department
  - Martin Pavilonis – Racine Police Department
  - Randy Wiessinger – WisDOT/BOTS consultant
  - Gary Larsen – Caledonia Police Department
  - John Strack – RUSD Representative
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**1. Call to Order**

Julie Anderson called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

**2. Minutes of the September 8, 2022, meeting.**

**Gary Larsen moved**, seconded by Tom Knitter, to approve the September 8, 2022, minutes. **Motion carried unanimously: VOTE: 12/0**

**3. Fatalities since the last meeting**

Randy provided a list of fatalities since the last September 2022 meeting; autopsy/toxicology results were not provided by the Medical Examiner’s office at this meeting:

12/12/22 – in Caledonia, 6:15 a.m., vehicle 1 lost control and struck vehicle 2, head-on in the 6400 block of Douglas Ave. Intoxication was the main factor.

9/11/22 – in the City of Racine, 2000 block of Washington Ave. Pedestrian crossed in the middle of the roadway. Was a hit and run which is still under investigation.

10/2/22 – Village of Yorkville, no information available at this time.

10/18/22 – City of Racine. Children playing in the roadway, one struck by vehicle.

10/24/22 – Waterford, Main St. and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Possible medical event, still awaiting autopsy results. 66-year-old male crossed the center line going 25 miles an hour and struck another vehicle which was stopped; minimal damage to both vehicles.

10/30/22 – Mount Pleasant, Hwy KR and 31, 10:40 a.m. Weather was not a contributing factor.

11/4/22 – Wind Point, EB vehicle on 3 Mile Rd., failed to negotiate curve, approaching Lighthouse Dr. and struck a tree. Believed to be a medical event.

12/22/22 - City of Racine, Erie St. Hit and run, pedestrian crossing the street mid-block. This is an open investigation.

1/26/23 – Mount Pleasant, 2:42 a.m. on NB I-94 & Hwy 20. Disabled tractor trailer, vehicle 1 struck vehicle 2 from behind. Weather was a factor – snow and low visibility.

9/2/22 – Caledonia, 6 Mile Rd. and Hwy 32. Motorcycle was heading East and went around a stopped vehicle in front of them, going through a red light and was struck by northbound vehicle. Alcohol as a factor.

#### **4. Upcoming construction projects**

Mike Borck:

- STH 83 from STH 20 to I-43 to start mid-March.
- STH 20 from STH 36 to 45 to start mid-May.
- STH 38 from Milwaukee County/Racine County line to 6 Mile Rd. to start the end of July.
- Frontage Road project – Hwy 20 up to CTH K both East and West frontage roads to start May 1<sup>st</sup> or sooner.
- STH 20 from Honey Creek Rd West past Racine County line to start in the Spring.

Julie mentioned the 2023-2026 STP project listing and requested the DOT to update the projects on the Southeast projects page online on the DOT site. The Hwy 38 repaving from Milwaukee to 6 Mile Rd was not there.

Alex Valley:

- Resurfacing project on CTH V just East of I-94 between CTH K and CTH G to start in August.
- Smaller asphalt spot repairs will be taking place throughout the County, much less intrusive to traffic.
- An STP project in Rochester on CTH D, is moving forward currently.

Upcoming Roundabouts:

- CTH A & CTH J in Rochester 2024
- CTH U & 7 Mile Rd 2024
- CTH U & CTH G 2025

**5. Around-the-table**

John Strack attended a DOT meeting regarding the bridge replacement on STH 38. There are concerns about the staging and timing as this will affect the school transportation. Julie Anderson indicated that County Executive Delagrave is also involved in this project to participate with the DOT in determining the best plan of action.

Randy Wiessinger shared some 2022 fatality crash data, 598 in Wisconsin. Community maps detail was also shared and will be forwarded to all commission members via email.

Julie Anderson indicated that this is her last meeting as she will be retiring on March 10<sup>th</sup> and that Roley Behm has been named as the new Director. She requests due to staffing changes, that the Election of Officers is deferred until the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**6. Other Business**

None

**7. Adjournment**

Thomas Knitter moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:48 p.m.