

LINCOLN COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Tuesday May 17th, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.
Lincoln County Safety Conference Room,
Lower Level Conference Room,
Merrill, WI 54452

AGENDA

1. Call to Order.
 - A. Roll call Of Members Present.
 - B. Welcome Visitors.
2. Approval of Previous meeting Minutes.
3. Election of Officers
4. Review Crash Data – Merrill Police Dept.
5. Review Crash Data – Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office.
6. State Report.
7. Schedule Next regular meeting (Tuesday, August 16th, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., Lincoln County Safety Building, Lower Level Conference Room).
8. Adjournment

Distribution: Traffic Safety Committee Members- Sheriff Jaeger, Nancy Bergstrom, Chief Neff, David Jackson, Robert Lee, Dale Bergman, Bill Jelinek, Jack Keiffer, Michael Panosh, Trooper Wrycha, Dustin Bonack, ChiefDeputy Nathan Walrath.

Administrative Coordinator
Other County Board Supervisors
Department Heads
Others

News Media – Notified on _____ at _____ m. by _____
Bulletin Boards:
Courthouse – Posted on _____ at _____ m. by _____
Service Center –Posted on _____ at _____ m. by _____
Tomahawk Annex – Posted on _____ at _____ m. by _____

There may be a quorum of other Lincoln County committees present at this meeting.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Must be held in a location, which is reasonably accessible to the public.
2. Must be open to all members of the public unless the law specifically provides otherwise.

NOTICE REQUIREMENTS:

1. In addition to any requirements set forth below, notice must also be in compliance with any other specific statute.
2. Chief presiding officer or his/her designee must give notice to the official newspapers and to any member of the news media likely to give notice to the public.

MANNER OF NOTICE:

Date, time, place, and subject matter, including subject matter to be considered in a closed session, must be provided in a manner and form reasonably likely to give notice to the public.

TIME FOR NOTICE:

1. Normally, a minimum of 24 hours prior to the commencement of the meeting.
2. No less than 2 hours prior to the meeting if the presiding officer establishes there is a good cause that such notice is impossible or impractical.

EXEMPTIONS FOR COMMITTEES AND SUB-UNITS:

Legally constituted sub-units of a parent governmental body may conduct a meeting during the recess or immediately after the lawful meeting to act or deliberate upon a subject which was the subject of the meeting, provided the presiding officer publicly announces the time, place, and subject matter of the sub-unit meeting in advance of the meeting of the parent governmental body.

PROCEDURE FOR GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION:

1. Motion must be made, seconded, and carried by roll call majority vote and recorded in the minutes.
2. If motion is carried, chief presiding officer must advise those attending the meeting of the nature of the business to be conducted in a closed session, and the specific statutory exemption under which the closed session is authorized.

STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS UNDER WHICH CLOSED SESSIONS ARE PERMITTED:

1. Deliberation of judicial or quasi-judicial matters. Sec. 19.85(1)(a).
2. Considering dismissal, demotion, or discipline of any public employee or the investigation of charges against such person and the taking of formal action on any such matter; provided that the person is given actual notice of any evidentiary hearing which may be held prior to final action being taken and of any meeting at which final action is taken. The person under consideration must be advised of his/her right that the evidentiary hearing be held in open session and the notice of the meeting must state the same. Sec. 19.85(1)(b).
3. Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee. Sec. 19.85(1)(c).
4. Considering strategy for crime detection or prevention. Sec. 19.85(1)(d).
5. Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Sec. 19.85(1)(c).
6. Considering financial, medical, social, or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of specific charges, which, if discussed in public would likely have an adverse effect on the reputation of the person referred to in such data. Sec. 19.85(1)(f).
7. Conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the governmental body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. Sec. 19.85(1)(g).
8. Considering a request for advice from any applicable ethics board. Sec. 19.85(1)(h).

CLOSED SESSION RESTRICTIONS:

1. Must convene in open session before going into closed session.
2. May not convene in open session, then reconvene into closed session and thereafter reconvene in open session within twelve (12) hours unless proper notice of this sequence was given at the same time and in the same manner as the original open meeting.
3. Final approval or ratification of a collective bargaining agreement may not be given in closed session.

BALLOTS, VOTES, AND RECORDS:

1. Secret ballot is not permitted except for the election of officers of the body or unless otherwise permitted by specific statutes.
2. Except as permitted above, any member may require that the vote of each member be ascertained and recorded.
3. Motions and roll call votes must be preserved in the record and be available for public inspection.

USE OF RECORDING EQUIPMENT:

The meeting may be recorded, filmed, or photographed, provided that it does not interfere with the conduct of the meeting or the rights of the participants.

LEGAL INTERPRETATION:

1. The Wisconsin Attorney General will give advice concerning the applicability or clarification of the Open Meeting Law upon request.
2. The municipal attorney will give advice concerning the applicability or clarification of the Open Meeting Law upon request.

PENALTY:

Upon conviction, any member of a governmental body who knowingly attends a meeting held in violation of Subchapter IV, Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, or who otherwise violates the same law shall be subject to forfeiture of not less than \$25.00 nor more than 300.00 for each violation.

LINCOLN COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes of February 16, 2016 9:00 a.m.
Lincoln County Safety Building
Lower Level Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Keiffer, Dale Bergman, Chris Sukis, Dustin Bonack, Ken Neff
Mike Panosh, Brett Susa, David Jackson, Bill Jelinek, Bryan Wrycha, Lt Grant Peterson

Members Excused: Mike VanDeWeerd, Bob Lee, Nancy Bergstrom, Jeff Jaeger

Visitors:

OPEN MEETING

1. **Call to order:** Chief Deputy Walrath called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
 - A. Roll call of members present.
 - B. Welcome visitors
2. **Approval of previous meeting minutes:** Motion by John Keiffer, second by Bill Jelinek to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Unanimous vote. Motion carried.
3. **Review Crash Data:** Ken Neff commented on alcohol crashes; to include drug involved crashes due to now having more DRE enforcement.
 - A. Dave Jackson noted more activity at the Roundabout and an increase in crashes. Ken Neff commented this is mainly due to weather related issues as well as people not slowing down in the Roundabout. Jack Keiffer commented there is a study that was done in regards to crashes before and after Roundabouts; he will bring the correct data to the next meeting. He also commented the crashes are up but the number of injuries are down.
4. **Review Crash Date – Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office:** Follow up from previous meeting; Three reported Fatal crashes; State Patrol handled one Fatality Four our agency.
 - A. Jack Keiffer also suggested we look at the Fourth of July celebration And parking concerns on state Rd 107.
5. **State Report:** Jack Keiffer will have a report of upcoming projects for the next meeting.
6. **State Report: Panosh Demonstration:** Mike Panosh had a demonstration of The Wisconsin Community Maps program. A web based program for tracking traffic issues in our area. <https://transportal.cce.wisc.edu/> This is a developing web page changes will continue to come in.
7. **SCHEDULE NEXT REGULAR MEETING;** May 17, 2016 9:00 a.m. Lincoln County Safety Building, Lower Level Conference Room. Agenda items for the next meeting: MDSS Weather Forecast- Mike VanDeWeerd
8. **Bryan Wrycha** Advised Chris Sukis will be taking the place of Trooper Kris Kempen in the Lincoln county area and may be attending the Traffic Safety meetings in his absence
9. **Adjournment;** Motion by David Jelinek Second by John Keiffer to adjourn. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned

**MERRILL POLICE DEPARTMENT
TRAFFIC CRASH STATISTICS**

February 2016

	February 2015	YTD 2015	February 2016	YTD 2016
Total Crashes	17	34	18	34
Number of Occupants	40	78	45	87
Number Injured Restrained	0	2	4	7
Number Injured Unrestrained	0	0	0	1
Number Killed	0	0	0	0
Occupants Wearing Seatbelts	37	70	37	75
Seatbelt % Compliance	92%	89%	82%	86%
Citations Issued	9	21	16	24
Alcohol/Drugs Involved	0	1	1	2
Deer	0	2	0	0
Bicyclists	0	0	0	0
Pedestrians	0	0	0	0
Controlled Intersection Stop Sign	5	8	4	6
Controlled Intersection Traffic Light	1	1	2	2
Controlled Intersection Yield Sign	0	0	0	0
Controlled Intersection Other	0	0	1	1
Uncontrolled Intersection	1	5	3	6
Non-Intersection	2	6	4	7
Private Property	0	1	0	1
Parking Lot	8	13	3	9
Roundabout	0	0	1	2

ROUTE:

Chief Ken Neff
Lt. Greg Hartwig
Sheriff Jeff Jaeger
Kari Weiland

MERRILL POLICE DEPARTMENT
TRAFFIC CRASH STATISTICS
March 2016

	March 2015	YTD 2015	March 2016	YTD 2016
Total Crashes	15	49	13	47
Number of Occupants	34	112	28	115
Number Injured Restrained	3	5	6	13
Number Injured Unrestrained	2	2	0	1
Number Killed	0	0	0	0
Occupants Wearing Seatbelts	29	99	24	99
Seatbelt % Compliance	85%	88%	86%	86%
Citations Issued	20	41	10	34
Alcohol Involved	1	2	0	2
Deer	0	2	0	0
Bicyclists	0	0	0	0
Pedestrians	0	0	0	0
Controlled Intersection Stop Sign	1	9	3	9
Controlled Intersection Traffic Light	1	3	0	2
Controlled Intersection Yield Sign	0	0	0	0
Controlled Intersection Other	0	0	0	1
Uncontrolled Intersection	6	12	6	12
Non-Intersection	6	12	2	9
Private Property	0	1	0	1
Parking Lot	1	14	2	11
Roundabout	0	0	0	2

ROUTE:
Chief Ken Neff
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**MERRILL POLICE DEPARTMENT
TRAFFIC CRASH STATISTICS**

April 2016

	April 2015	YTD 2015	April 2016	YTD 2016
Total Crashes	11	60	7	54
Number of Occupants	23	135	18	133
Number Injured Restrained	1	6	0	13
Number Injured Unrestrained	0	2	1	2
Number Killed	0	0	0	0
Occupants Wearing Seatbelts	23	122	17	116
Seatbelt % Compliance	100%	90%	94%	87%
Citations Issued	6	47	4	38
Alcohol/Drugs Involved	1	3	0	2
Deer	0	2	0	0
Bicyclists	0	0	0	0
Pedestrians	0	0	0	0
Controlled Intersection Stop Sign	2	11	0	9
Controlled Intersection Traffic Light	0	2	0	2
Controlled Intersection Yield Sign	0	0	0	0
Controlled Intersection Other	0	0	0	1
Uncontrolled Intersection	1	13	1	13
Non-Intersection	4	16	4	13
Private Property	0	1	0	1
Parking Lot	4	18	1	12
Roundabout	0	0	1	3

ROUTE:

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LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TRAFFIC CRASH STATISTICS (2016)

CRASH STATISTICS	Year to date 2014	April 2015	Year to date 2015	April 2016	Year to date 2016
Total crashes	146	24	117	28	103
Property damage crashes	134	18	103	20	81
Personal injury crashes	11	6	13	8	21
Fatal crashes	0	0	1	0	1
Car vs. Deer crashes	35	9	44	6	31
Single vehicle crashes	130	22	99	25	88
Multiple vehicle crashes	25	2	18	3	19
Citations	30	6	23	5	19
DRIVER FACTORS	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Exceeding speed limit	1	0	1	1	3
Driving too fast for conditions	26	4	15	3	50
Inattentive driving	15	3	15	8	20
Fail to yield right of way	5	1	3	1	3
Operating left of center	3	1	2	0	1
Disregard traffic control	1	1	2	1	1
Failure to have control	27	7	28	7	24
Alcohol	4	2	6	0	2
HIGHWAY FACTORS	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Snow/Ice/Wet	77	4	41	0	32
MAJOR HIGHWAYS	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
USH 8	7	1	9	0	5
USH 51	40	7	26	0	18
STH 17	11	1	6	2	9
STH 64	10	0	11	2	8
STH 86	2	1	4	0	1
STH 107	7	1	3	2	5

TOWNSHIPS	Year to date 2014	April 2015	Year to date 2015	April 2016	Year to date 2016
Birch	8	0	3	1	5
Bradley	14	2	15	3	16
Corning	9	1	7	0	3
Harding	2	1	2	0	1
Harrison	5	3	5	2	3
King	6	1	5	1	6
Merrill	31	1	12	10	20
Pine River	28	3	24	3	17
Rock Falls	4	3	6	1	11
Russell	7	0	1	1	5
Schley	7	1	6	1	5
Scott	13	5	16	3	6
Skawan	6	1	3	0	0
Somo	2	0	3	0	1
Tomahawk	2	0	2	0	1
Wilson	2	1	4	1	1
City of Merrill	1	0	0	1	1
City of Tomahawk	0	1	3	0	1