Iowa County Traffic Safety Meeting Minutes May 8, 2007

Meeting called to order by Leo Klosterman at 9:34 a.m.

Present:

Leo Klosterman, Iowa County Highway Dept.
Joe Thomas, Iowa County Board Member
Briant Russell, Wisconsin State Patrol
Don Bomkamp, Iowa Co. Sheriff's Dept.
Tom Knoop, WSP/BOTS
Janet Nodorft, WSP/BOTS
Jillene Fehrman, WISDOT-Traffic-SW Region
Bart Swindall, City of Mineral Point
Ed James, City of Dodgeville
Lisa Vosberg, Iowa County Highway Dept.

Certification of open meeting by Swindall/Knoop. Carried. Approval of February minutes by Knoop/Fehrman. Carried. Approval of May agenda by Knoop/Russell. Carried.

New Business:

- Don Bomkamp reviewed the Accident Spot Map. In April, 2007, Iowa County had 24 crashes of which 18 of these crashes were non-injury and 6 of these crashes involved injuries. There were 9 injuries reported and 1 fatality. Currently for the year, Iowa County has had 142 crashes of which 108 of these crashes were non-injury and 34 of these crashes involved injuries. There were 51 injuries reported and 5 fatalities.
- Leo discussed the Hwy 18 West construction project. There is a pre-construction meeting at the Cobb Fire Station on May 17th at 9:30 a.m. Construction may start as soon as May 21, 2007.
- Leo discussed the Hwy 18 and Bennet Road project. Due to some DNR restrictions, this project has been pushed back until 2008.
- Tom discussed the fatality report. Currently the five year average of fatalities in Iowa County is 6 fatalities per year. As of April 30, 2007, Iowa County has reported 5 fatalities in 2007. Tom also gave a traffic safety legislation update.
- Janet Nodorft, WISDOT Alcohol Program Manager, was present at the meeting. Janet is currently working on a Highway Safety Plan manual for her alcohol program. She is interested in ideas for encouraging people not to drink and drive. Currently, Dodgeville does have the Road Crew that is available on Friday and Saturday evenings to try and eliminate drinking and driving. If anyone has any ideas, please direct them to Janet at 608-266-0550.

Next meeting is August 14th, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. at the Iowa County Highway Dept. .

Adjourn by Russell /Fehrman. Carried.

Recorder: L. Vosberg