

MINUTES
March 1, 2010
WCHA Training/Safety Committee Meeting
Portage County Highway Department

The meeting of the Training/Safety Committee was called to order on March 1, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. by Chairman Randy Scholz.

Committee members present: Pelock, Podgorski, Morehouse, Schofield, Scholz, Hardy Prott and Jandrain.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.
(Motion-Schofield/Second-Morehouse/Approved-Voice vote)

Motion to approve Agenda
(Motion-Hardy/Second-Podgorski/Approved-Voice vote)

Chairman Scholz opened with discussion of the Commissioners Training Agenda, reiterating that we will begin on April 7th at 12:30 p.m. when conference materials will be available for pick-up. Pelock asked if we were making notice of the D.O.T.' program that will take place on April 6th Chairman Scholz advised that it was part of the invitation. However, and as it was not part of our Agenda Chairman Scholz agreed that we will make note of the D.O.T. program so, our Agenda will carry a notation to: Please note: the D.O.T. will begin their presentation on April 6th at 12 p.m. through 4 p.m. and April 7th at 8 a.m. concluding at 12 p.m. That added, Chairman Scholz went over the Agenda, the Agenda is basically the same and is included in our minutes of January 12, 2010. Discussion ensued providing this additional information and changes: April 7th - 1:15 p.m. IMPLEMENTING NR40 FOR COUNTY OPERATIONS – Hardy will present program along with Kelly Kearns of the DNR.
2:30 p.m. PREVAILING WAGE – Pelock will present along with a representative from the State Workforce Development.
April 8th - 9:15 a.m. CDL CLARIFICATION – Pelock and a representative from the Wis. State Patrol and Tom Dahlke.

Following the conclusion of Commissioners Training there will be a luncheon for New Commissioners. At 1:00 p.m. New Commissioners Training begins and will conclude at 4:00 p.m.

At the conclusion of Commissioners Training Chairman Scholz and Secretary Podgorski will step down from their respective positions on the Safety Training Committee so the floor was opened for nominations of a new Chairman.

Steve Schofield was nominated Chairman Safety Training Committee
Motion-Podgorski/Second-Prott/Approved-Voice Vote - Steve Schofield elected Chairman. Grant Bystol, Shawano County Commissioner, has agreed to join the Safety Training Committee replacing Bob Podgorski.

Other Topics

Chairman Scholz, Bob Podgorski, and Jack Yates Acting Marquette County Commissioner, met with Tom Notbohm regarding the new guidelines for Work-zone Safety that became effective last summer. The questions/problems posed were regarding the "Throw and Go" method requiring lane closures for the patching of a pothole. We explained this is not realistic and Notbohm will investigate this further and will get back to us.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be called by the new Chairman Steve Schofield.

Motion to Adjourn Pelock / Second Hardy / Approved Voice vote
Chairman Scholz adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Podgorski
Secretary, Safety and Training Committee