

## **DRAFT**

### **Buffalo County Highway Safety**

**7/18/2019**

- Call to order 1:03 pm
- Roll Call: Jeri Baures, Norita Willadsen, Michael Schmidtkecht, Chad Hines, Bruce Fuerbringer, Randy Wiessinger, Dean Haigh, Melissa Brunner, and Josh Reed
- Last meeting's minutes approved
- BUSO report
  - 1 fatal crash this quarter on STH 25
  - Buffalo County Fair coming soon – the first weekend in August
- Emergency management: Bruce Fuerbringer
  - Flooding is primarily over
  - Heavy rain has caused some localized issues
  - Multiple county departments will be represented with two booths at the Buffalo County fair
  - NIMS command and control exercise was held in La Crosse on 6/27/19
  - There was training locally to demonstrate how to tow a disabled boat away from a dam.
  - Buffalo County is looking to contract with Menomonie Fire to provide a higher level HAZMAT response unit which is unable within the county.
- County Highway Commissioner report
  - Numerous roads ripped apart trying to stabilize them due to wet shoulders
  - Mowing operations in effect now to clear shoulders
  - CTH O between Cochrane and Buffalo City will be closed next week due to a culvert repair.
  - STHs within the county have received their final mowing for the year
- BOTS report: Randy Wiessinger
  - Fatal report for the county and statewide
  - Legislative update
    - Mandatory 12 hour hold for OWI
    - Proposed legalization of marijuana
    - Owner liability in work zones
    - OWI penalty enhancers
  - Governor's highway safety commission meeting
- DOT highway engineering: Chad Hines
  - STH 35 bridges south of Fountain City are the only things still under construction
  - Winona crossing timing improvements
  - Alma High School warning signs are pending approval
    - High school advised that they expect the cost will fall to them and they are waiting to hear what that may be prior to moving forward

- Population: Jeri Baures
  - Speed limits River Road/CTH 00 in Buffalo City
    - Issues appear to be resolved
- School Representative:
  - Alma High School is looking to install an electronic billboard
    - Needs to be permitted by the state
    - STH 35 is a scenic byway, so that requires special permits
- WI State Patrol
  - Law of the Month of June
    - Securing trailers and loads
- Next Meeting October 17<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm
- Adjourn 1:56 pm

Minutes taken by: Sgt.Haigh/WSP