

Minutes of Brice Prairie Safety Committee
Wednesday, November 28, 2018
Brice Prairie First Responders Building, W7866 Cty. Rd. ZN, Onalaska, WI

Present: Brian Tippetts, Vicki Burke, Jerri Monti, Scott Cooper, Jolene Huiss

Absent: Jim Nissen, Fritz Funk, Paula Przywojski, Dave De Boer,

Also present Pat McKnight, Special Correspondent

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chair Tippetts. Quorum of 5 present.

A motion was made by Cooper, seconded by Monti to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Cooper, seconded by Monti to approve minutes of the October 30, 2018 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The committee discussed the speed limit study on the county roads on Brice Prairie conducted by SEH for La Crosse County and reviewed and approved by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Discussion centered around the concern of some members about the varied speed limits that were still recommended for CTH Z from the corner of CTH Z and CTH ZB to the turnaround near Lytle's Landing. Members felt that the increased housing development, several new small businesses, the business incubator development, and the second Dynamic Recycling building were not figured into the increase in traffic in the speed study. A motion was made by Cooper and seconded by Huiss to support a 45 mile an hour speed limit from the corner of the intersection of Z/ZB to turnaround at end of CTH Z with the exception that the current 25 mph in the residential section of that stretch should be left at 25 mph. Motion passed with 4 yes, 0 no, and Burke abstaining.

Some committee members felt that the changing the speed limit on CTH OT through Midway from 25 MPH to 35 MPH did not take into account the homes in that section and the safety of the inhabitants. No recommendation was made by the committee.

Members discussed attending the La Crosse County Public Works and Infrastructure meeting on December 10, 2018 at 4 p.m. in room 1107 County Administration Building 212 6th. St. N. La Crosse where a resolution may be brought forward implementing the recommendations of the speed study.

Tippetts, Cooper and Nissen (written not present) reported that contacts they had made with landowners whose cooperation would be needed in a connectors plan for bike paths connecting parks and landings had gone well. All those contacted had expressed an interest in learning more.

Two items-the discussion of continuing report to the Onalaska Town Board and next steps and assignments was moved to the next meeting as Cooper had to leave resulting in loss of quorum.

The committee will meet on December 12, 2018 at 6 p.m. at the Brice Prairie First Responders Building, W7866 Cty. Rd. ZN, Onalaska, WI.

Motion by Cooper, seconded by Huiss to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Recording Secretary Vicki Burke