

Safety Committee Minutes September 3, 2008

Chairman Jere Crouse called the September meeting of the Turtle Safety Committee to order at 7:00 P.M. in the Turtle Community Center.

Roll call was taken with members Roger Fleener, Gino Casucci, Jeff London, Les Oldenburg and Chairman Crouse present. Dan DeLong joined the committee for the start of the meeting. Rich LeFeber represented our police department. Kathy Lenz and Mike McCabe were absent.

Roger Fleener, seconded by Gino Casucci, unanimously approved the agenda on a motion.

The minutes of the previous (July 08) meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Gino Casucci and second by Jeff London.

Old Business:

The June and July 08 Police Department report were handed out for the committee to review.

Mr. Rindfleisch discussed the fact that the stop sign on Townhall road coming north at the Railroad crossing could not be seen. Apparently it had been knocked down. This a dangerous spot on Townhall if a train is present. Our citizens travelling this road must be warned there is a stop sign there. Rich stated he would check into this situation. It may be best to erect a sign tall enough so it can be seen by anyone traveling north.

The Tiffany west End of Speed Limit sign has been installed on La Prairie township land. Turtle is to bill La Prairie for the cost of the sign.

There was a nice article in Turtle Topics on Florescent Lights written by Mike McCabe.

It is important to note that the Bank owner of the property on Gustafson Road (corner to County X) is liable for the cistern.

It is recommended that we have out highway Department install yellow blinking lights for our Fire Department on our property on County J so anyone going south on that highway (a county highway) can see that our Fire Department is responding. Tim Huffman will need to provide a cost estimate to see if we have enough money to cover the cost of the blinking lights.

As far as the sidewalks on Huebbe and Hart Roads, it would cost each homeowner too much to install. In Turtle we need a ditch along each road so water will drain towards Turtle Creek anyway. If sidewalks are installed, we would lose our ditches and every homeowner along these roads would be very unhappy. Hopefully any walkers along

these roads will be courteous to those of us that must drive these roads and walk single file.

New Business:

The committee feels that all swimming pools should be fenced in. It is important to note that the homeowner of the swimming pool is liable if any person drowns in his/her pool. We recommend that our Town Board take at our current ordinance and revise it as they see fit.

As far as the concern for speed on Butterfly road, the committee feels that there is enough visibility to see any school busses on this road so it should not be of concern yet. Remember the speed limit on all unmarked roads in Town of Turtle is 55 mph and our police force will do there best to ticket those that speed beyond the legal limits. Anyway is illegal to pass a stopped school bus and the driver will turn in offenders.

The committee recommends to the Planning and Zoning committee that all new subdivisions have curb and gutter. It may be best to have this request put into an ordinance so all new developers know what is required to develop land in the Town of Turtle.

Dan DeLong informed the committee that there are blockages at Walker and Colley and at Townhall and Colley. The Walker and Colley blockage is Town of Turtle responsibility whereas, the Townhall and Colley blockage may be City of Beloit responsibility. The committee will investigate both anyway.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 1, 2008

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jere Crouse, Acting Secretary
For Kathy Lenz