

# MINUTES

## KANKAKEE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Training Room, Bourbonnais Fire Department,  
1080 Armour Road, Bourbonnais, IL

**Wednesday, September 13, 2017 @ 9:30 A.M.**

### **Member in Attendance**

Dave Tyson, Village of Bourbonnais; Chief Scott O'Brien, Manteno Fire Dept; Trooper Dave Verkler, Illinois State Police; Steve Blanchette, Kankakee County Highway Dept; Sgt. Sam Miller, Kankakee Police Dept; Dave Luhrsen, BBCHS; Rick Lalumendre; Chief Dave Anderson, Bourbonnais Police Dept.; Chief Jim Travis, Bradley Fire Dept; Chief Ed St. Louis, Bourbonnais Fire Dept.

### **Others Present**

Delbert Skimerhorn and Geoff Olson, KATS.

### **Call to Order**

Chairman Tyson called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **Public Comment**

None.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Blanchette made a motion to approve the May 3, 2017 minutes, seconded by Trooper Verkler. Motion carried.

### **2016 County Highway Crash Presentation**

Mr. Blanchette gave an overall summary of the crashes that occurred on county and township highways during 2016. He noted that in some crash categories, there were an increase in crashes. He also mentioned locations where stop signs were installed or signage was increased that crashes seemed to have declined.

### **Performance Measures Update**

Mr. Olson provided an update on the traffic safety performance measure the metropolitan planning organization is required to address as part of federal legislation. He informed everyone that IDOT has finalized an updated highway safety plan that includes statewide performance goals. He explained that MPO staff will continue to seek guidance on the benefits of selecting goals or choosing to support the state goals. Additional information be presented future meetings. Also presented was the tentative timeline of upcoming meetings with the final recommendation for safety performance measures at the January 10, 2018 meeting and MPO Policy Committee approval at the January 31, 2018 meeting.

### **Hazard Mitigation Plan Update**

Mr. Skimerhorn announced the Kankakee County Hazard Mitigation Plan is due for an update and the Kankakee County Regional Planning Commission would be the committee hosting the plan update meetings.

### **Report On Hands Free Cell Enforcement Issue**

There were no updates.

### **Traffic Safety in the Media**

Mr. Lurhsen informed everyone that the state approved schools to outsource driver's education classes to private instructors.

### **New Business**

None.

### **Old Business**

Chief O'Brien stated the four-way stop sign in Deselm has reduced the number of crashes at that location.

### **Next Meeting**

The next Safety Committee meeting is tentative for November 15, 2017 at 9:30 AM.

### **Adjournment**

Chairman Tyson asked if there was any more business to discuss. The meeting was adjourned at 10:17 AM.