



Minutes for April 22, 2015

Welcome and introductions were made. Minutes from January were reviewed and a motion by Allen was made to approve, Deanna seconded. Motion was approved.

March minutes were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Deanna to approve with corrections and was seconded by Allen. Corrected minutes to say Deanna reported was Pasco so had said from a previous meeting and hazard cards were just one. (We will get with Deanna and figure out WHAT that means ☺) Minutes were approved with corrections.

A request was made if an additional column can be added to the Crash Statistics Report Data for the ages of fatalities and persons injured in crashes. Carrie will do research to find out if it is easier to run a separate report or if it is simpler to add to the existing report.

Old Business

Pithaloochee Bridge median U-turns situation has been determined to need additional information about it. It appears to be a speeding / enforcement issue.

The situation at the U-turn / yield to right turn signs is still being investigated with a possibility of redundant signage.

Deanna discussed the outreach at Wiregrass and The Safe Kids event. They gave out 100 helmets.

Bike to Work Day is May 15th, Longleaf to County Center. Health Department may participate with MPO staff. Meet at Longleaf at 7 AM.

Discussion was had about the flashing lights on US 19. This will continued to be discussed with PSO and FDOT.

New Business

Crash Data Report was distributed and discussed. Included up to the end of January. There is a 90 day delay on the analysis report. We are unable at this time to determine if we are above or below normal numbers. Discussion said there appears to be more crash data fatalities (12 since the beginning of the year). Special mention was made of intersections along US 19; Buena Vista, Bellview, possibly Alternate US 19 and Mile Stretch? NB continuous RT lane going through intersections running into SB left turning traffic. High number of crashes. David is looking into closing the intersection. This had come up in previous meetings from FHP. Bonita Road?

Enforcement- New Port Richey Police Department reported that near the Publix at Marine there is a similar pattern of crashes.

County was able to get permission to purchase traffic count data and other information. This will allow for better data reports.

New Port Richey PD said they are still understaffed and trying to keep / catch up.



Art Rowand said that Pasco Sherriff Office is attempt to partner with Traffic Ops to monitor locations and areas that have been noted as high speed. Additional enforcement will be in place. The need to work on coordination and reporting- these are current works in progress:

Starkey Road, Morris Bridge Road, Strawberry memorial (I am not sure that is right...)

A lot of calls coming into the county about speeders, not only on State Roads or high crash corridors.

May is Distracted Driving Month.

Promotion for NOT Leaving Children in Cars... no deaths so far...

Child restrain law- \$60 fine, but 3 points on license.

February 16th- Arron Cohen Act; tougher laws for people who hit and run.

4 States: California, Texas, Florida and New York have 43% of ALL pedestrian deaths in the nation.

Shady Hills Road is OPEN! Project is in final inspection phase.

Ridge Road project is getting closer. Extended deadline, possible 100 days (August?)

Innerlockin Road and Gunn Hwy (???)

May is National Bike Month

May 6th is Bike to School Day. Several schools are registered to participate: Deer Park, Double Branch, Coulissa Oaks and Veterans.

210 helmets were distributed at the Storybook Forrest event.

Upcoming Car Seat technician training

Vocal parents at Veterans School has concerns about pedestrian path closings

FDOT asks if you see something that isn't right, please let us know. Terre Verde Subdivision

Citizen concern about Suncoast and 54. This seems to be an annual issue.

With no other business and very few attendees the meeting was concluded.

Attendees

Mike Bunk, Pasco County	David Carr, FDOT	Rhonda Grice, FDOT
Allen Howell, Pasco MPO	Georgeann Hull, Safe Routes Pasco	Deanna Krautner, Pasco HD
Chris Trapnell, NPR PD	Carrie Wilson, Pasco County	Karen Maldonado, All Childrens