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OF
DODGE COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
SAFETY COMMITTEE

December 21, 2023 @ 8:00 A.M. – Fremont Maintenance Facility

The meeting of the Dodge County Safety Committee was called to order by Chief Safety Officer, Scott Huppert at 8:00 A.M. the following employees present: Scott Huppert, Chuck Bunn, Justin Burt, Jay Jacobsen, Clarence Johnson, Larry Klahn, Leon Nelson, Matt Shaw, Ernie Stockamp, Robert Tunink, John VonSeggern and Lynn Wooldrik. Absent: Larry Brune. Also present was: Jean Andrews, NIRMA Contact Person.

Motion was made by Stockamp and seconded by Burt to approve the Minutes of September 21, 2023. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

REMINDER: CHECK your receipts for sales tax! Need signature and truck equipment number on receipt. Also, **reminder to wear seat belts, gloves and eye protection.**

Reminder to put up the warning signs and to remove them upon completion of work

Reminder to use strobe lights and to **wear vests** when on roadway.

Reminder to do a walk-around on equipment parked on or off county shed property.

CLEAN UP YOUR MESSES! Restrooms, gravel, grease and oil in and around the wash bay! Do not leave your sunflower seeds in the vehicles.

ITEM #3. OLD BUSINESS:

None

ITEM #4. NEW BUSINESS:

- Accident of Gary Tienken:** On or about October 3, 2023, Gary was driving east on County Road N Blvd. between County Roads 15 & 16 when a deer crossed the road in front of him. As he slowed down to allow the deer to safely cross the road, a second deer appeared and attempted to cross the road, but collided with the bumper of pickup #6 causing the bumper to dent near the tow hook area. The investigation did indeed revealed that the dent in the bumper of Unit #6 was caused by the deer. The accident was not preventable, but the safety committee recommends that drivers use caution in the late summer and early fall when the crops are still in the farm fields.
- Incident of **Larry Klahn.** On December 13, 2023 at approximately 12:49 P.M. at Platte River Road (Old Highway 30) and County Road 14 Blvd, Klahn was

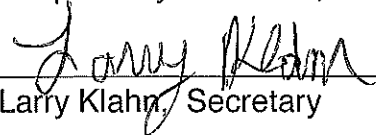
mowing the road ditch on the south side of Platte River Road. As he crossed County Road 14 Blvd going west, he heard a noise from the front side of the tractor. A 6-ft. piece of rebar with a chunk of concrete attached had slid between the frame and motor causing the fuel return Jesus clip to break. The incident was determined to not be preventable. The safety committee recommends that extra caution be used when mowing county road right-of-ways to spot potential hazards.

A request from Jean Andrews to the employees was made to indicate what weight of oil is used when changing oil and to be sure to put the filter numbers on the cost books. Another request was made to separate the number of hours each day for the different codes on the daily sheets.

Leon Nelson stated that January 4th, 2024, the fire extinguishers for all vehicles, equipment and maintenance sheds will be brought up to date.

With no further business, motion was made by **Jacobsen** and seconded by **Burt** @ 8:10 A.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Larry Klahn, Secretary