

MCAB Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 21, 2021
Zoom meeting
9:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

Members Present

Al DeMeestor
Bill Kotynski
Brian Hitchcock
Carol Heinowski
Don Lahring
Glen Merkel
Michael Rushing
Nichole Gavriloski
Paul Behmlander
Randy Whitaker
Robert Esler
Sarah Stewart

MSP-CVED Staff Present

Lt. George Bracco
MC Sgt. Jack Johnson
MC Spl/Sgt. Kevin Hogan
Mr. Abe Droste
Ms. Ashley Anderson
Ms. Beth Schafer
Ms. Jessica Kines

Members Absent

James Burg
Joe Ballor
Joshua Rhodes

Others in Attendance

Aarne Frobom
Chris Blundell
John Wallace
Delores Thomas
Elisha Wolff
Micky Blashfield
Michelle Helm
Scott Sprey
Toby Archambaugh

Welcome

The MCAB meeting was called to order at 9:34 a.m. by Ms. Jessica Kines.

Agenda and Meeting Minutes

- The agenda and meeting minutes for the November 19, 2020, meeting were approved.

Agency Reports

FMCSA-John Wallace:

- Random testing rates for 2021 remain unchanged.
- Proposed rule to add rear impact inspection to the annual and roadside inspections.
- Proposal on definition of yard rule, log as non-driving on duty, comments close February 1, 2021.
- Extended medical & CDL waivers. New waivers effective January 1 and good until February 28, 2021.
 - Medical certificates are good for more than 90 days. If they expired after September 1, 2020 they are good until February 28, 2021.
- HazMat endorsement expired December 31, 2020.

CVED Update-MC Lt. George Bracco, Mr. Abe Droste and Ms. Ashley Andersen:

- Construction of the new bypass at the Ionia West Bound Weigh Station has been completed and the Weigh Station is open.
- West Bound Fowlerville Weigh Station is in the planning and development stage to be redone along the lines of West Bound Ionia Weigh Station.
- Tire Anomaly Classification System (TACS) has been installed at the New Buffalo Scales and the Coldwater Scales.
- The TACS can:
 - Read every single tire on eighteen wheelers.
 - Unlimited number of axels.
 - Can sense under inflation.
 - Tire imbalance and mismatches.
- In January 2021 the MSP/CVED will be conducting our human trafficking initiative with Truckers Against Trafficking (TAT).

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- The MSP Officer of the Year award has been awarded to MCO Matthew Dowell.
- MSP is looking into running a recruit school at the end of the 2021 fiscal year or spring of 2022 fiscal year.
- Fatal crashes for the first quarter are down 3.3 percent for passenger vehicles and 45 percent for commercial vehicles compared to the first quarter for 2020.

Mr. Abe Droste reported that enforcement of the 2021 Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) started January 1, 2021.

Ms. Ashley Andersen reported that for the 2021 CVED renewal that over 1,400 applications have been closed/issued decals, and over 200 applications are in open status. There will be a mass email sent out to revoked carriers. MSP RCS has added a new technician, her name is Ms. Carly Wolfe.

Center for Truck Safety-Dolores Thomas:

- Moving forward with Face-book live & zoom training.
- The Center for Truck Safety has been updating the Truck Driver's guidebook and look to publish the 21st edition soon.

Secretary of State-Chris Blundell:

- March 16, 2021 there will be a new version of E-services for the IRP installed.
 - The SOS renewal system will be shut down March 11, 2021 for updates
 - IRP renewal system will be down March 12, 2021.
- IRP will be able to take e-signatures thru DocuSign or One Sign verification companies.

Treasury-Seth Martin via Jessica Kines:

- IFTA 2021 renewal started on November 1, 2020, with a due date of February 1, 2021.
- For 2021, IFTA has currently licensed 4,862 carriers.
- About 75,000 IFTA decals have been issued.

MDOT-Aarne Frobom:

Nothing to report.

Legislative Updates-MDOT-Aarne Frohom:

- Bills may be reintroduced that would allow reciprocal agreements between Michigan and adjacent states to allow log haulers to operate some distance into the other state without registering under IRP, and possibly IFTA.
- 517 - Toll Feasibility Study.

New Business

Upcoming Meeting Dates

- March 18, 2021
- May 20, 2021
- September 16, 2021
- November 18, 2021