

RESOLUTION #2016-5

Meenon Township Temporary Speed limit Ordinance

- (1). If a township road is being constructed, reconstructed, maintained or repaired, temporary speed limits may be established as set forth in Wis. Stat. s. 349.11(10).
- (2). The Meenon Township Chair, or his/her designee, is authorized, at his/her discretion, to impose mandatory temporary speed limits under the continuing authority of this section and without need of further action by this body.
- (3). Temporary speed limits shall be in accord with this section and shall be imposed by the posting of either portable or fixed temporary regulatory speed limit signs of the same face size and design as permanent regulatory speed limit signs, type R2-1, as described in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices as adopted by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.
- (4). Signs may be posted on any township road under the jurisdiction of this authority (and any township road upon which the Township performs maintenance under 80.47, Wis. Stats.) when such road is being constructed, reconstructed, maintained or repaired, but only in the immediate area of such work and of those persons engaged in performing such work.
- (5). Any temporary speed limit imposed in an area where construction, reconstruction, maintenance or repair is being performed on the shoulders or what is normally the traveled portion of the roadway, or where the road construction or maintenance workers performing such work area necessary on the shoulders or what is normally traveled portion of the roadway, shall be determined by, and at the discretion of, the Meenon Township Chair or his/her designee.
- (6). No temporary speed limit shall be imposed when construction, reconstruction, or maintenance or repair work is being performed inside the road right-of-way but not on the shoulders or the traveled portion of the road.
- (7). Any speed limits imposed under the authority of this section are temporary, and the signs imposing such limits shall be removed, covered or otherwise obscured when the road construction or maintenance workers performing construction, reconstruction, maintenance or repairs and their equipment are present on the shoulders or traveled portion of the road.
- (8). The area in which any temporary speed limit imposed shall be terminated by posting a regulatory speed limit sign informing the public of the specific speed limit outside of the area where construction, reconstruction, maintenance or repair work is being performed.
- (9). Nothing herein shall prohibit the Meenon Township Chair from posting advisory speed limit signs, of the type W13-1 as described in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, in areas of road construction, reconstruction, maintenance or repairs suggesting such speed as he or she deems appropriate to promote the safety of road construction and maintenance workers, pedestrians and road users and that such advisory signs may also be posted in conjunction with the temporary mandatory speed limit signs, as described and authorized above.

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To the Meenon Town Board members;

WHEREAS, the Meenon Township road workers work on the Meenon Township roads; and

WHEREAS, work zones pose a known hazard to highway construction and maintenance workers, pedestrians and road users; and

WHEREAS, if a road is being constructed, reconstructed, maintained or repaired, Wisconsin Statutes s. 349.11(10) authorizes the Township Chair or his/her designee to, for the safety of the road construction and maintenance workers, pedestrians and road users, to post a temporary speed limit less than the speed limit regularly imposed under their jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Meenon Township Board approves the attached Meenon Township Temporary Speed Limits Ordinance.

Respectfully submitted and recommended for adoption. Signed and dated this 17th day of October, 2016.

Christopher Sybers, Chair

Patrick Taylor, Supervisor

Mary Jo Bierman, Supervisor
