



Facts Surrounding Tyler's Vehicle Incident

The Tyler Milliken Foundation and Tyler's parents and brother wish to work with the road construction industry, Fort Bend County and Local and State Law enforcement to prevent similar incidents in the future. The following facts were discovered during formal investigative processes. We offer this information in order to clarify any misinformation regarding Tyler's tragic incident.

1. Tyler was working (delivering a "take out" food order) at the time of the incident.
2. His employer did not provide Worker's Compensation insurance for its employees, nor were the employees advised they were not covered by Worker's Compensation insurance (as required by the Texas Workers Compensation Commission).
3. The location of the vehicle incident was on Ransom Road (Williams Way Blvd) in Fort Bend County Texas.
4. A state and nationally recognized independent vehicle accident recreationist was retained to thoroughly investigate the incident. The investigator was on-site approximately 36 hours after the incident.
5. The incident occurred in a curve in a poorly maintained construction zone at approximately 7:50 PM. Lighting conditions were dark.
6. The construction contractor (Hassell Construction Company Inc.) failed to install and/or maintain existing and temporary traffic control devices as required by the approved Traffic Control Plan.
7. Fort Bend County failed to inspect the project to verify services and traffic control devices were installed and maintained by the construction company as required by the approved Traffic Control Plan.
8. The Department of Public Safety's (DPS) accident report contained factual errors regarding Tyler's speed and direction of travel. In addition, DPS failed to thoroughly investigate all contributing factors relative to the incident. Specifically DPS did not investigate the construction contractor's compliance with the approved Traffic Control Plan, and past vehicle accident history at the same location.
9. Tyler was traveling West Bound on Ransom Road at approximately 53 MPH. The posted speed limit on his route of travel was 45 MPH.
10. There was no physical evidence that Tyler was, or was not wearing a seat belt. He was ejected from the vehicle so it is suspected he was not wearing a seat belt.
11. Phone records indicate that Tyler was not talking or texting at the time of the incident.
12. Toxicology results indicated no presence of alcohol or drugs in Tyler's body.