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# Safety Forum
# 2026 Mid-Winter Business Meetings
# Meeting Report

Wednesday, January 28, 2026
Virtual
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**Tim McCarthy**
**Chair**

**Cathleen Breen**
**Vice Chair**

Our Safety Forum had an exciting and very informative presentation about cellphone use while behind the wheel of a car. New York State Trooper Jennifer Jiron presented "Driving Distractions: How Texting Impacts Safety and the Law."

Trooper Jiron talked about the illegal use of cell phones while operating a motor vehicle – including the legality, fines associated with using a cell phone, statistics of motor vehicle accidents caused by distracted drivers and more. She also offered up numerous first-hand accounts of why road safety is as important as ever. It was a very eye-opening presentation about being safe on the road.

With no other business, the forum was adjourned.