

PEDESTRIAN FATALITY REVIEW BOARD

May 17, 2016

10:00 A.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael Ryan, Chairman
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Violet Poe
Nigel Floyd
Tom Ellington
Sam Henderson

OTHERS PRESENT:

Nancy White, Bibb Health Department
David Pilgrem, AARP Age Friendly Advisory
Kevin Poss, Facilities Management
Brad Belo, MBC P&Z Planner
Gregory L. Brown, MBC P&Z Sr. Planner

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Chris Tsavatewa, Vice Chairman
Capt. Eric Walker
Lt. Brad Wolfe
Rob Ryals

GUESS PRESENT:

Dave Oedel

Chairman Michael Ryan called the meeting to order.

On motion by Mr. Nigel Floyd, seconded by Mr. Tom Ellington and passed unanimously, the minutes of April 19, 2016 were approved.

Subcommittee Reports:

Engineering:

Mr. Nigel Floyd, MBC Traffic Engineering Department, and Mr. David Fortson, MBC Engineering Department, compiled a list of projects to present to the Public Safety Committee identifying specific items to be funded by SPLOST. Commissioner Elaine Lucas recommended that the PFRB send representation to the scheduled meetings for the SPLOST Projects. This will provide the opportunity for participation, community involvement, and to make recommendations on upcoming projects to the Public Safety Committee.

Public Communications:

Mr. David Gowan, Bibb County Board of Education, Risk Management, reported the BOE and MBC Attorney's Office are finalizing the MOU for the School Zone Signage and confirmed the RFP will be finalized by the County.

Ms. Violet Poe reported Deputy Chief Stephanie Prater, Bibb County School Districts, will provide four School Resource Officers to do mini-presentations on the topics of pedestrian safety as part of the "Cross The Walk" campaign during summer camp. They will stress the importance of using crosswalks to students ages 6-15 at eight of the MBC Recreation Centers. The mini-presentations will be provided to students between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on June 7-8, 2016.

Ms. Poe's first presentation was made to 44 clients at Macon's Daybreak Shelter located at 174 Walnut Street on Monday, May 16, 2016. She provided information on using crosswalks and provided Right Star Wristbands as a reminder to use crosswalks at all times. Ms. Gaye Martel, Volunteer Coordinator of Macon's Daybreak was very appreciative of the information provided and suggested that the PFRB take a closer look at drivers who display negative driving behaviors such as speeding throughout Macon-Bibb County.

Ms. Poe will provide mini-presentations at Loaves and Fishes, Macon Rescue Mission, and the Salvation Army to be completed by the end of May. She reported that Macon Outreach has elected not to participate in the mini-presentations at this time.

Commissioner Lucas recommended to Ms. Poe to apply for financial assistance utilizing grant funds though CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) and other local agencies to purchase materials for distribution.

Age Friendly Group Report:

David Pilgrem, AARP Age Friendly Advisory, stated Augusta, GA became an Age Friendly City and AARP recently added 46 new volunteers. Mr. Pilgrem invited the Committee to attend their next meeting scheduled on June 16, 2016 stating at 10:00 a.m. at the Chamber of Commerce. Commissioner Lucas suggested to Mr. Pilgrem that he extend the invitation to the MBC Industrial Authority and MBC Land Bank Authority due to local community involvement.

Other Matters:

Mr. Floyd and Mr. Fortson provided a list of items as recommendations to present to the Commissioners which includes Sidewalks, Bike Lanes, Speed Bumps, Pedestrian Crosswalks, and Traffic Safety Devices for funding through the SPLOST Projects. Mr. Tom Ellington recommended adding Lynmore Estates to the list for sidewalk enhancements.

On motion by Mr. Ellington, seconded by Mr. Floyd and passed unanimously, MBC Engineering and Traffic Engineering Departments list of projects will be prioritized and adopted as guidelines to present to the Commissioners for SPLOST funding was approved.

Ms. Nancy White, Macon-Bibb County Health Department, provided the date of the Local Summit to be held on Tuesday, August 16, 2016 from at 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. she suggested that it be held during the PFRB scheduled meeting.

On motion by Mr. Sam Henderson, seconded by Mr. David Gowan and passed unanimously, the Local Summit will be scheduled for August 16, 2016 as part of the PFRB monthly meeting was approved.

Commissioner Lucas informed the Board that the proposal to add citizens to the PFRB was tabled. She clarified the wording will change and the additions to the PFRB would be representatives from AARP Age Friendly Advisory, MBC Planning & Zoning Commission, Middle Georgia Regional Commission and Piolet International.

Mr. Brad Belo, Macon-Bibb County Planning and Zoning Commission, provided details on PEDS, GA Walks Summit scheduled for June 17, 2016 at Middle Georgia State University. Early registration is ongoing with a discount for groups of four or more. Mr. Belo will provide additional information on events taking place within the community concerning the dates, times, and locations in an e-newsletter. Mr. Gregory Brown, Macon-Bibb County Planning and Zoning Commission, invited the Board to attend a webinar on May 18, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. located in MBC P&Z Office.

Chairman Ryan asked if there was any further business to discuss. Hearing none, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Charletta Y. Price
Recording Secretary