



Pedestrian Safety Review Board Board Meeting

August 15, 2023 | 10:00 AM
700 Poplar Street Macon, GA 31201

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A 07/18/2023 PSRB Minutes
3. Subcommittee Reports
 - A Policy and Legislation
Complete Streets Report
 - B Engineering
 - C Enforcement
 - D Public Communication
 - E Interagency Coordination
4. Old Business
5. New Business
 - A Walk Audit - Anthony Homes
6. Adjournment

**PEDESTRIAN SAFETY REVIEW BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
July 18, 2023
BOC Conference Room
10:00 A.M.**

Board Members Present:

Greg Brown, Chair, MBC Planning and Zoning
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Nigel Floyd, MBC Traffic Engineer
Henry Ficklin, MBC Executive Dir. of Community Affairs
Rob Ryals, MBC Facilities Management
Myrtle Habersham, AARP
Ron Wildman, Citizen
Michael Ryan, Citizen
Lieutenant Scott Davis, BCSO
Charise Stephens-Merriweather, MBC Small Business

Board Members Absent:

Major Brad Wolfe, BCSO
Rachel Hollar Umana, Vice Chair, Bike Walk Macon
Affairs
David Gowan, Bibb County School District

Others Present:

Sheila Griggs, Deputy Clerk
Sara Davis, MBC Asst. County Attorney
Jake McCarthy, Intern County Attorney

Non-Members Present:

Kevin Poss, MBC Facilities Management
Laura Corley, Macon Newsroom
Kaylee Pruitt, BWM

Call To Order

Chairman Greg Brown called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

On motion by Rob Ryals, seconded by Nigel Floyd, and passed unanimously, the minutes from May 16, 2023 were approved.

School Speed Zone Update

Nigel Floyd reported on three new radar locations. Commissioner Lucas suggested that awareness of radar installations needs to be something other than flashing lights.

Subcommittee Reports

- **Policy and Legislation & Complete Streets – Rachel Umana**

No reports at this time.

- **Engineering – Nigel Floyd**

Nigel Floyd reported on four streets for speed reductions that will go in front of Commission in early August. Commissioner Lucas will sponsor the legislation.

Twin Pine 35 to 30, Roux Rd. 45 to 25, Hall Rd. 35 to 30, and Tucker Rd. 45 to 35

Nigel Floyd also discussed the Housing Authority's request to have speed bumps installed on their properties (map is attached). The Housing Authority will pay for the installation and maintain the speed bumps therefore there will be no extra maintenance required of the public works department.

Jake McCarthy recommended the installation of a crosswalk on Georgia Ave in between the Barrister's Hall (1058 Georgia Ave, Macon, GA 31201) and Mercer Law School (1021 Georgia Ave, Macon, GA 31207). There is not an intersection there, but there is a small alley that he thinks is no longer an official road.

His purpose for recommending this was that many students and faculty walk to the school every day and use this area to cross the street. Cars speed down that road and they have had several close calls, so a crosswalk would be immensely beneficial.

On motion by Greg Brown and seconded by Commissioner Lucas, and passed unanimously, to accept the recommendation to add a crosswalk on Georgia Ave in between the Barrister's Hall (1058 Georgia Ave, Macon, GA 31201) and Mercer Law School (1021 Georgia Ave, Macon, GA 31207) was approved.

Myrtle Habersham recommended that the Board use resources through Macon-Bibb County Hubb to get updates to the public of things that PSRB is doing in the community.

- **Enforcement – Lt. Scott Davis**

Lt. Davis discussed some items reported on the CRASH360 Report and had no other enforcement updates.

- **Public Communications – Charise Stephens-Merriweather**

Charise Stephens-Merriweather reported that October is National Pedestrian Safety month, and this would be a great opportunity to showcase what PSRB is doing.

Charise and Greg shared some back-to-school events and the invitation to the board to attend the Youth Bash and other events. They are asking for board members to attend as many events as possible.

Myrtle Habersham invited the board to attend AARP Virtual Webinar on July 27, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. She will send invitations to the group.

Greg Brown discussed the latest fatality on Houston Road on July 6, 2023 at 11:30 p.m.; reported that a person was standing in the road and was struck by a car.

- **Interagency Coordination**

There was no report.

Old Business

- **Crash360 Profile Report**

Nigel Floyd shared recommendations from Crash360. A report was provided to the board and reviewed (attached) Nigel pointed out that most of the items identified in the report are already being worked on.

- **Transportation Safety Manager's Position Update**

Sara Davis reported that the change of the organization chart will happen all at once. All changes will be implemented at the same time in the near future. The Transportation Safety Manager's job description was provided to the board to allow them time to review it and make recommendations by the next meeting (attached). All recommendations should go to Adrianna Beavers in the attorney office.

New Business

- **SS4A (Safe Streets for All) Grant Resubmission**

Greg Brown reported that the SS4A grant submission was submitted on time and results will come December 2023.

Greg Brown informed the board that the Governor's Highway Safety Grant was denied this time. Myrtle Habersham suggested that we follow up to see if there are any ways, we could improve our efforts to get this grant.

- **Board Goals and Objectives**

Charise Stephens-Merriweather reminded the board that Mayor Miller is asking for the goals and objectives from the board. Commissioner Lucas suggested that the board use the already created legislation to get the goals and objectives from. Commissioner Lucas, Dr. Ficklin and Charise will work on this task.

Adjournment

On motion by Henry Ficklin, seconded by Nigel Floyd, and passed unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila F. Griggs, Deputy Clerk