



Pedestrian Safety Review Board Board Meeting

December 19, 2024 | 12:00 PM
543 Cherry Street, Macon GA

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A 11-19-2024 PSRB Meeting Minutes
3. Old Business
4. New Business
5. Adjournment

**MINUTES OF THE
MACON-BIBB PEDESTRIAN SAFETY REVIEW BOARD MEETING
November 19, 2024 – 10:00 AM**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Greg Brown, Chairman, MBC Planning and Zoning
Rob Ryals, MBC Facilities Management
Lieutenant Scott Davis, BCSO
Charise Stephens-Merriweather, MBC Small Business
Nigel Floyd, MBC Traffic Engineer
Ron Wildman, Citizen
Michael Ryan, Citizen
David Gowan, Bibb County School District
Myrtle Habersham, AARP

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Rachel Hollar Umana, Vice Chair, BWM
Major Brad Wolfe, BCSO
Henry Ficklin, MBC Executive Dir. Of Community Affairs

OTHERS PRESENT

Andrianna Beavers, Assistant County Attorney
Greg Boike, MGRC
Kaylee Pritt, BWM
Weston Stroud, MBC Traffic Safety Manager
Sheila Griggs, Deputy Clerk of Commission

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
Greg Brown called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A 10-15-2024 PSRB Meeting Minutes
On motion of Nigel Floyd, seconded by Myrtle Habersham, and passed unanimously, the minutes from October 15, 2024, were approved.
3. Subcommittee Reports
 - A Policy and Legislation
No Report
Complete Streets Report
Weston Stroud reported on the MLK potential lane reduction.

- a. Waiting to here back from GDOT if they will need to do public outreach. If so, the project timeline will be pushed back and this project will no longer be feasible with their funding cycle
- b. If no public outreach is necessary, then the project will start in January of 2025

B Engineering

Nigel Floyd reported that October was Pedestrian Safety Month and it was a successful month reaching about 300 people in different activities and events. He reported that there was an event at Disability Connections, which is a nonprofit organization run by people with disabilities, serving people with disabilities with a mission to attain and have access to all opportunities in life.

One request was to have audible safety signals at the Academy for the Blind. Nigel spoke about Public Right-of-Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG). He is asking the Board to consider funding to implement the idea of adding audible safety signals. Nigel will do more research and bring back information at the next meeting. The attorney mentioned that an RFP might be required depending on the cost of the devices.

Traffic Safety Manager Report

Weston Stroud reported on traffic safety.

C Enforcement

Lt. Scott Davis reported on crash data over the years. In 2023 there were 8100 crashes and year to date, in 2024 there have been 6,808. Myrtle Habersham suggested that showing where the accidents are occurring might be helpful. The Board was reminded that this information is available through Peachtree Recovery.

D Public Communication

Charise Stephens-Merriweather discussed the Georgia Office of Highway Safety Grant (GOHS). The application needs to be submitted in December.

On motion of Myrtle Habersham, seconded by David Gowan, and passed unanimously, the Board decided to submit the application for the GOHS Grant 2024.

Charise stated that she will get with the Information Team to set up a press release to inform the community of all the 2024 Outreach Activities. The Board believes that it is important to inform the community of what PSRB has done and will continue to do.

PSRB Mascot custom was delayed but will be here soon. The PSRB mascot is the Safety Bear. Members are encouraged to have at least twenty-five arm bands in their possession ready to hand out as needed.

Stephanie Agullar, Intern at Traffic Engineering, shared with the Board a new version of the PSRB website. The website is still under construction and the Board members are encouraged to view it and think of items that they would like to have added to it.

E Interagency Coordination

David Gowan reported on walk to school audits. There are a few schools interested in participating in these audits. He also reported that school speed zones have improved, bike racks will be double-sided, and he is working with schools to find out where they would like the racks placed.

4. Old Business

There was no discussion.

5. New Business

It was mentioned that there is a need to increase education in regard to motorized vehicles in non-authorized areas.

A Proposed East Macon Loop

Weston Stroud reported that the East Macon Loop project is outside the scope of work that PSRB was created to address.

6. Non-Agenda Public Comments

No comments at this time.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila F. Griggs
Deputy Clerk of Commission