

**MINUTES OF THE
MACON-BIBB FRIENDS OF ROSA PARKS SQUARE BOARD MEETING
March 13, 2025 – 12:00 PM**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Andrea Cooke, Chairman
Marshall Talley
Julia Morrison
Joshua Hale
Erin Keller
Jeremy Grissom
Susannah Maddux
Maiesha Clark
Anthony Howard
Christele Parham
Scott Mitchell

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Ivey Hall

OTHERS PRESENT

Andrianna Beavers, Assistant County
Attorney
Sheila Griggs, Deputy Clerk of Commission
Liz Fabian, CCJ

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Andrea Cooke called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

A 02/20/2025 Meeting Minutes

On motion of Scott Mitchell, seconded by Joshua Hale and carried unanimously, the minutes of February 20, 2025 were approved.

3. Old Business

Attorney Beavers handed out a document called Friends of Rosa Parks Square - Open Meetings Quick Guide. She suggested that the Board review the document and submit any questions to her.

A Wall of reflection discussion

The Board continued with discussion regarding the list of recommendations for the vision wall provided by Mr. George Muhammad. Attorney Beavers advised the Board that there is currently a policy in place that states that only posthumous recognition is allowed in Macon-Bibb, however, this can be waived by the Commissioners. Andrea Cooke did a poll of the Board members to receive input regarding the subject of not only adding posthumous recognition but providing recognition of people who are

currently living.

The Board discussed creating criteria for those to be added to the wall. It was discussed that maybe the Commissioners could develop criteria and the Board could move forward with recommendations to them according to it.

Attorney Beavers provided a brief overview of how the Commission meets and the process of getting legislation approved. Julia Morrison suggested that any name recommended to the Commission should be agreed upon by the FRPSB unanimously.

The Board continued discussion on A.I. and QR Codes that would make it easy to add and remove names as needed, having changeable names yearly of living people along with a statue of some sort.

4. New Business

Board members asked to see the park design and Andrea Cooke will find it and send it out. Andrea will invite the designer of Rosa Parks Park to the next meeting to allow Board members to ask questions and get a clear understanding of the park's design.

There was a discussion regarding inviting people to the meetings who have knowledge of the chronology of Rosa Parks Park. One suggestion was to invite former Mayor C. Jack Ellis.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila F. Griggs
Deputy Clerk of Commission