# **Meeting Minutes: BASC Monthly Meeting – Monday, June 26th,2023, 5:30 pm at the Monkey’s Wrench/HUBS Coop**

**Attendees**: David Nuttell, Larry Mason, Jennifer Colee (virtual), Vivian Terry, Morgan Andriulli, Jacob Hell, Janie Miernik (virtual),, James Moore, Chad Skaggs (virtual), Austin Jackson, Jo Beth Gleason (virtual), Anthony Rosaldo

**NOTE:**  All minutes are in the dropbox: [www.hsvbasc.com](http://www.hsvbasc.com/)

**Meeting Time:** 5:35 pm-7:05 pm

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**Announcements:**

1. **May meeting minutes** were approved. Stored in [www.hsvbasc.com](http://www.hsvbasc.com/)
2. **Next Meeting:** Monday, July 24th, 2023 at the Monkey’s Wrench/HUBS Coop
3. **This month’s cycling Community events:**

* **Bikes and Brews**- July 7th, 6:00pm, <https://fb.me/e/4mwdg8gHK>
* **Kidical Mass ride**- July 15th, 9:00am - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1107504316106598/permalink/2353106908212993/>
* **BASC/HUBS Coop Good-bye Potluck for Danny:** July 21st, 6:30pm-8:30pm
* **BASC July Monthly Meeting**- July 24th, 5:30pm, <https://fb.me/e/daFvtPo6K>
* **BASC/HUBS Coop: Chapman Back to School Bash**- July 31st, 4pm-6:30pm: BASC will be distributing bike literature and answering questions about safe cycling in Huntsville at Chapman School. Email me back (emails below) if interested or show-up based on calendar information on the HUBS Coop calendar:<https://www.huntsvilleurbanbikeshare.com/events>

**Section I. City Reports:** Past updates in excel sheet “BASC Projects\_Actions Summary” in [**hsvbasc.com → Minutes and Documents**](https://www.hsvbasc.com/owncloud/index.php/s/N2f7bzZEYm9zPR1)

**A: Planning: James Moore**

1. **General Update:** Planning is at the “Scope of Work” stage with updating the Huntsville Bike Plan with Alta. James can send us this information to BASC.
2. **Planning Status:** Grants, bike/ped infrastructure updates, planning public events, etc. **No updates.**

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1. **Planning Bike/Ped Reports: No update.**

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**B: Traffic Engineering: Jennifer Colee**

1. **TE Bike/Ped Reports: Updates.** TE has been getting more SeeClickFix tickets possibly due to summer time and so turnaround time may be a bit slower but will be worked.
   1. Wynn Dr. and Bradford intersection Bike Symbols: Called TE office May 30th
      1. An internal ticket was made and being worked.
   2. Follow-up with SeeClickFix ticket #13900975 to confirm if closed. Not completed. State was doing work on this road and cut the city’s loop, and in general it is still open and will take some time to complete. <https://seeclickfix.com/issues/13900975-traffic-signal>

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**C: Huntsville Police Department: Anthony Rosaldo**

1. **HPD Status:** training, bike/ped awareness, etc**. No update.**
2. **HPD Bike/Ped Reports: Update:** Anthony was able to get a HPD report from TE. These reports can tell us what happened in these bike incidents. The updates for the reports that were asked about on the BASC June Agenda are added below. The report given can be used from 2015 and seen for each year. Information may need to be redacted such as victim and offender. This report will be used in parallel with CoH Vision Zero.
3. Update by Larry is that Dario was able to pay for a specific police report for $25. So there is a public process to get police reports but it costs money.

| **BASC meeting asked** | **Topic** | **Notes** |
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| May 2023 | Pedestrian killed by car | Pedestrian killed by car:: Wall Traiana Hwy/Cleghorn Blvd, May 4th 2023, at 4:30am: <https://www.waff.com/2023/05/04/pedestrian-hit-killed-by-car-wall-triana-hwy/>  This information can only be provided by the State. |
| April 2023 | Hobbs Island truck vs. bike | Any further updates on Hobbs Island truck vs. bike <https://whnt.com/news/huntsville/one-transported-to-hospital-after-wreck-involving-bicycle-and-vehicle/>  Ended up being a collision. Charges are being filed. |
| June 2023 | Memorial Parkway/Mastin Lake  commercial truck vs. bike | June 7th: https://whnt.com/news/huntsville/bicyclist-critically-injured-in-crash-with-commercial-vehicle/  <https://www.waaytv.com/news/concrete-truck-hits-bicyclist-on-memorial-parkway-in-huntsville/article_b4cc7068-0565-11ee-8293-ef44dba0c41b.html>  Still under investigation. Bicyclist was trying to bike on the access road. Didn’t get the truck driver. Might get more information next month. |
| June 2023 | First degree assault due to running over a woman exercising on a bike | https://www.al.com/news/2023/06/madison-county-authorities-seek-man-they-say-ran-over-woman-on-bicycle.html  https://www.facebook.com/mcsosheriffAL/posts/pfbid02ocZPp978pppicwXkA3wCc6fCRWJgWQnGEYsp2qkUFTzNQUR6a1hKaeK7nXMrm1THl  <https://www.waff.com/video/2023/06/23/neighbors-madison-co-speak-out-after-woman-was-run-over-while-exercise-bike/>  Investigating. |

**D. Community Concerns: No Updates**

1. **SeeClickFix.com:**
2. **Others: Brought up by other methods, emails, in meetings, etc. No updates.**

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**Section II: Monthly Agenda Topics**

1. **David Nuttel’s bike Route Project:** David presented his “Huntsville Bike Routes 2023” slide, which describes his observations and recommendations of the Huntsville Bike Routes. This slidedeck has been shared on the [hsvbasc.com→ Minutes and documents folder → BASC projects → Bike routes folder](https://www.hsvbasc.com/nextcloud/index.php/s/6tb5bpZqDd45snm?path=%2FBASC%20Projects%2FBike%20Routes) and BASC Facebook and discussed on Discord. Questions and comments after the presentation:
   * People are very interested in this presentation.

* When did HSV make this bike route map? A long time ago and followed Austin, TX structures. Bike routes are being updated now by CoH with Alta.
* Wayfinding signs: we need more of them downtown.
* What can HUBS do?
  + Make a list of bike route loops based on difficulty and color coding this.
* Can the city add the bike route to Google? GIS CoH can probably do it. Vivian just researched this and the CoH can update Google Maps through official channels (not sure what is but GIS CoH would probably know). Also, Google Maps does have a “bike routes” layer that users can add to their map. The dotted green lines are probably the Huntsville bike routes. However, the legend says that they are “bike-friendly roads”, which is debatable and can lead to follow-up discussions in BASC.

1. **TIP Transportation Discussion**: <http://www.huntsvillempo.org/2024-2027-tip/>
   * General discussion about the TIP: First 10 pages are about policy so you can make comments on that. The road projects listed are kind of on the drawing board and can be updated over time.
   * MPO is asking for public comments. Email James Vandiver with these comments and then ALDOT will also have comments. BASC can discuss any further comments at the July BASC meeting. Either BASC will send a group comment or Vivian can send comments with any individual comments on one email. Would have that by the end of August.
   * Question for Planning is then when and where does the MPO post public comments?
     1. Vivian noted that this question stemmed from questioning where public comment from the “East Arsenal Connector” was stored because even after attending this public session, it doesn’t seem to show which design the consultant company used at on this section of the MPO page where this was announced: <http://www.huntsvillempo.org/arsenal-east-connector/>
2. **Rolling Coal phenomenon:** General discussion: Vivian presented a DRAFT slide deck of what is Rolling Coal and showed a video of a potential rolling coal incident in Huntsville. Slide deck described what Rolling Coal is and how in some states it is illegal. However, from the video presented, it was unclear if the incident in Huntsville was a rolling coal incident. Rolling Coal is not illegal in Alabama to Vivian’s knowledge. The slide deck can be presented again but with a different rolling coal video if wanted to post on hsvbasc.com and BASC Facebook for informational purposes. To take legal action against the Rolling Coal Incident, it was discussed further at BASC and basically, it would be difficult to prove without a video. And even with a video of an alleged rolling coal incident, one would need to show in the video the actual reportable offense which is Reckless Driving; for example, the video showing a car swerving into your lane.

**Section III: Action Item Review: Updates.** [**hsvbasc.com → Minutes and Documents**](https://www.hsvbasc.com/nextcloud/index.php/s/6tb5bpZqDd45snm)

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| Crash Analysis Studio - Strong Towns | Deep dive into Bike Fatality with Strong town methods  This is an example of a Strong Towns Crash Analysis Studio:<https://www.strongtowns.org/crash-studio> | Vivian asked for volunteers at BASC June monthly meeting. Larry has been working with Dario, Danny, Vivian, and Strong towns. Will do traffic counts, gathering about 2 hours of data.. Look at real speed. Take an hour to do the analysis.  Included now Morgan, Austin, Jo Beth (cc’ed), James Vandiver (cc’ed).  Notes about the area:  Will be part of the transit study in the next 4-5 years.  Mile west of university has a raised median. Lights do not illuminate the westbound lanes.  Streets blog. Has studied it too. 35 mph even at high peds. | Larry and Vivian started an email chain for those interested in this project and will be setting a meeting at the end of July to continue.  Vivian needs to include Jacob Hell and follow-up if James Vandiver is another contact. |

**BASC Resource List:**

Official date adoption of document: XXXXXX DRAFT (11/27/22) Printed for Nov. 2022 BASC monthly meeting

1. Becoming a BASC member:

* Complete BASC membership questionnaire (ask a BASC member about this)
* Locate BASC documents, minutes, and bylaws storage: https://www.hsvbasc.com/
  + Add yourself to the BASC email distribution list for discussion and announcements: hsvbasc.com→ “ListServ” (will need to be approved by BASC member)
  + Don't want to use email to communicate? Post in Discord (ask BASC member for access)
* Be aware of City of Huntsville department functions: https://www.huntsvilleal.gov/

2. As a citizen:

* Follow BASC Facebook for discussion and announcements: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1366468327053612
* Reference “How to bike safely” resources: Example: https://www.bikeleague.org/ridesmartvideos
* Know the biking laws of Alabama: Print bike/motorist safety guide and AL codes "How we share the road\_AL code" located in https://www.hsvbasc.com/ and”Minutes and Documents"
* Report bike/ped related road issues on Huntsville's "See Click Fix" website: https://seeclickfix.com/huntsville
  + Clean a greenway path, sidewalk, bike lane or add a bike signal at a traffic light to change it on your bike ride
* Checkout Huntsville's See and Bee Seen website:
  + https://www.huntsvilleal.gov/residents/streets/bicycling/
* Post Videos/photos of bike incidents to BASC Facebook group in order to reference in "SeeClickfix.com" tickets: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1366468327053612
* Learn about Ped/Bike infrastructure standards on NACTO: https://nacto.org/programs/#all-programs