# BASC February Meeting – Feb 1, 2021, 5:30 pm via Google Meet

Minutes: by Jamie Miernik, secretary

Attendees: Larry Mason, Jamie Miernik, Morgan Andriulli, Bruce Weddendorf, Anthony Rosado, Dario Gonzalez, Austin Jackson

**January Minutes**: Approved

**Actions:**

* **Action for all Review COH Bikeways Plan Draft- Closed:** Dario provided a spreadsheet and Larry will populate it with all the comments collected for James Moore.  
  Dario’s comments: 1) Enforcement and metrics seem to be pretty slim in the Plan.   
  2) FHWA funding section 217, the Feds use of money must be used for bikes and peds, except for the exceptions. It seems to be backward how this is being interpreted and implemented. Need better language to minimize exceptions, not maximize.   
  Larry: 3) A goal of 20% fewer fatalities is not acceptable. We need a zero fatality goal and a taskforce to work on all crashes to reduce the risks. This needs to be in this plan. An example is how poorly the west end of Governor’s House Bike Lane dumps into Bob Wallace. That was not designed with cyclist input or safety in mind.   
  4) The order of the “% E’s” is very good. Keep the same order whenever the 5 E’s are being discussed. It helps with clarity.   
  5) MPO meeting Wed Feb 24, that’s when this will be approved.  
  6) How do we get the name of the Plan changed? Everybody should write to Dennis Madsen to convince him to change the plan to “Active Transportation Plan (Superceding the 2006 Bikeways Plan)”
* **New Motion/Action inspired after the HPD report (See below) and subsequent discussion:   
  All should think about how we can get the police to take done better data when reporting on crashes, especially fatalities.** Motion that HPD present how ped/bike crashes are documented, reported, and where they are published. The point is to provide regular, useful data to engineering & planning. Tabled to figure out to go about fixing this.
* **Action: Closed. Ben** sent the location to post BASC minutes **Jamie** posted them in this dropbox: [www.hsvbasc.com](http://www.hsvbasc.com) password: seeandbeseen
* **Action continued: Jamie will coor Crash Data report**: Review Data Tom Sisco sent out regarding compiled Huntsville crash data compile a report similar to previous data/report from 2015. Current data from January 2015. Anthony, Austin, Jamie and Dario (we hope) on committee
  + Jamie will call meeting to work on data in February.
* **Action continued:** **Morgan** to schedule PSA.
* **Action continued:** **Bruce:** New bike racks for municipal building materials for 12 racks are welded; done by second week in Feb.   
  Also discussing with Erin Koshut for more racks for Research Park.  
  Larry has been talking with “Main Street AL” for more business for Bruce’s Bike rack business.
* **New Action: Jamie Send out BASC logo to BASC for review. See next page**
* **Action continued: Austin - Continued:** can include in comments to Bikeway Plan draft

City to enforce Bike Parking Ordinance and add to the Bikeway Plan Draft and include Bike Parking signage to direct cyclists to bike parking areas.

**James:** Will set up a face to face with the bldg. inspector dept  
**Larry Mason:** will bring the issue to the MPO  
**Jamie Miernik:** will send info to Larry and Frances to bring to the MPO and COH

* **Action continued: Jamie, Larry Mason**: Crossing at Oakwood and Parkway – Need sidewalks on Oakwood by the new Madison County Bldg. Now, we must ask the COH to build a sidewalk along Oakwood.

**Larry Mason** will follow up why is Complete Streets is not being followed? Guess Complete Streets is not being implemented yet.

Make comments to Bikeway Plan to purchase ROW for sidewalks along north side of Oakwood.

* Reports
  + HPD - Anthony Rosado – Reported that the man killed in the wheelchair was under the influence of Alcohol and put himself in the road when a car was coming and it was believed the driver had not time to stop.  
    Bruce spoke about Safety and how BASC should also keep safety first in mind.  
    Discussion ensued asking about lighting at the scene, since it happened at night. The location was on Bob Wallace at “Spring Branch” which means it happened on or near that narrow bridge that has no sidewalk. So, drunk or not, if dude had to get across he was in the traffic lanes to do so.  
    See New Action above.
  + Traffic – No report
  + Planning – No report. Just getting the comments for the Bikeways Plan Draft
* New Business: - None
* Community Groups – HUBS Coop got their 501(c)3. Elected officers and started SLACK as a communication tool.

Adjourned 6:40

Next Meeting – March 1, Monday, 5:30 pm virtual

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