

9:00 AM

July 28, 2023

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MEETING MINUTES

Attendees:

Members:

Jon Morrison, Chair Kristi Pier
 Lt. Laura Beck Gabriel Rose
 Bong Delrosario Patti Stevens
 Steve Friedman Nigel Samaroo
 Steve Green Jim Titus
 Matt Hendrickson Marian Vessels
 Kandese Holford John Wetmore
 Kat Midas (Acting) Antoine RJ Wright
 Brooks Phelps

Non-Members:

240-599-6421 301-367-6689 301-602-5421
 301-915-0287 330-301-6536 410-767-3000
 443-239-4153 667-228-7063 Owen Bailey
 Dominic Cataldi Brigitte Carty Jasmine Champion
 Mike Evans Jamie Fearer Kate Foster
 Seth Grimes Roy Gothie Valerie Goubeau
 Jack Keene Jon Korin Deron Lovaas
 Patrick McMahon Daniel Paschall Molly Porter
 Kevin Racine Dominic Scali

Absent Members:

Marshall Edwards
 Eli Glazier

Staff:

Nate Evans Francine Waters

I. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting began at 9:03 AM with Nate Evans welcoming attendees. Nate Evans lead a roll call of committee members with a quorum established.

II. Agenda Review and Approval of Minutes

The agenda was reviewed with one revision to allow time for Anne Arundel County to share their initiatives. Antoine RJ Wright motioned to approve the April 27, 2023 meeting minutes. Jim Titus seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

III. Anne Arundel County Bicycle Initiatives

Jon Korin, president of Bike AAA (Anne Arundel and Annapolis) presented on the numerous bicycle infrastructure projects, events and law enforcement initiatives to create a more bikeable Anne Arundel County.

IV. Old Business & Public Comment (10 min)

Antoine RJ Wright attended the Howard County Multimodal Committee to learn about new projects and the need for State Highway Administration (SHA) coordination. Howard County indicated that there is little opposition to sidewalks or bike lanes .



Jim Titus and Mike Evans revisited the request increase the angle of intercept where the bike lane meets Purple Line tracks at the intersection of MD 193 (University Boulevard) and Campus Drive.

V. MBPAC Subcommittee Reports (15 min)

The Disability Subcommittee did not provide an update.

The Eastern Shore Subcommittee noted that the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy (ESLC) started their federally-funded Eastern Shore Trail Network planning project with support from Salisbury University's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) lab.

The Legislative Subcommittee noted that a 2024 Legislative Planning Session will take place soon with state and regional advocates.

Pedestrian Subcommittee held their quarterly meeting on June 22 with 30 participants. Walk Maryland Day is on Wednesday, October 4 kicking off the events of Walktober 2024.

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP) Subcommittee noted that the Plan is on an accelerated schedule in the coming weeks to produce a draft plan for the Secretary and Governor's review. Stakeholder sessions concluded on Thursday, July 27 and a draft plan will be available for public review after Labor Day.

VI. Partner Agency Updates (10 min)

Kristi Pier from the Maryland Department of Health shared the Department is applied for Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) State Physical Activity and Nutrition (SPAN) Program funding. MDH is supporting Walk Maryland Day and will restart the Walkability Academy in the fall.

Bong Delrosario with the Maryland Department of Disabilities (MDOD) has been reviewing comprehensive and transportation plans to ensure disability access is addressed. A playground for children with disabilities has opened at Columbia's Blandair Park.

Nate Evans shared that Bikeways, Recreational Trails and Transportation Alternatives applications are being reviewed with award announcements pending for late summer/early fall.

VII. Closing Reminders and Adjournment (5 min)

Action item(s):

1. Discuss transit rail line intersection angles at a future meeting.

Jon Morrison recognized and thanked John Wetmore at his final MBPAC meeting. Jon Korin and Jon Morrison recognized and thanked Marty Baker for her years of service to MDOT and MBPAC.

Jim Titus motioned to adjourn the meeting. Antoine RJ Wright seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 10:45.



Appendix– Chat Log from the July 28, 2023 MBPAC Meeting

[8:39 AM]

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[8:54 AM]

Bong Delrosario has temporarily joined the chat.

[8:57 AM]

Lt Laura Beck (Guest) has temporarily joined the chat.

[8:58 AM]

Steve Green (Guest) has temporarily joined the chat.

[8:58 AM]

Hendrickson, Matthew (DDOT) has temporarily joined the chat.

[8:58 AM]

Kristi Pier (Guest) has temporarily joined the chat.

[8:59 AM] Hendrickson, Matthew (DDOT)

Good morning all! Wish I could be there in person but safe riding and stay cool today and this weekend!

[9:00 AM] Hendrickson, Matthew (DDOT)

I do have my giant water bottle with me in solidarity

[Friday 9:00 AM]

Valerie Goubeau - UMD (Guest) has temporarily joined the chat.

[Friday 9:00 AM] Kristi Pier (Guest)

Hi Nate--my mic doesn't work on my computer, do you know how to join linking the phone? Or should I call separately?

See the phone instructions on the agenda

[Friday 9:01 AM]

Kat Midas (Guest) has temporarily joined the chat.

[Friday 9:01 AM] Kristi Pier (Guest)

Hi--I didn't get an agenda this month, would that have come from someone else?

[Friday 9:01 AM]

steve friedman (Guest) has temporarily joined the chat.

[Friday 9:02 AM] Kristi Pier (Guest)

I found it!

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[Friday 9:22 AM] Deron Lovaas

Having trouble hearing, not sure about others

[Friday 9:22 AM] Daniel Paschall, East Coast Greenway Alliance (Guest)

Yes, same

[Friday 9:22 AM] Valerie Goubeau - UMD (Guest)

Me as well

[Friday 9:22 AM] Hendrickson, Matthew (DDOT)

Yeah, Jon's really breaking up

[Friday 9:22 AM] Francine Waters

Me too!



[Friday 9:23 AM] Antoine RJ Wright
Sorry all; WiFi here seems to be an issue

[Friday 9:25 AM] Antoine RJ Wright
Jon's email is president@bikeaa.org

[Friday 9:26 AM] Kristi Pier (Guest)
Can you email the slides later, as they are not advancing on the screen. Thanks.

[Friday 9:29 AM]
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[Friday 9:32 AM] Bong Delrosario
I'm not seeing slides

[Friday 9:32 AM] Owen Bailey
Same

[Friday 9:32 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)
@ Mr Delrosario, me neither
like 1

[Friday 9:32 AM] Kate Foster
yes, would appreciate that!

[Friday 9:33 AM] Kate Foster
my email is kate@railstotrails.org

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[Friday 9:36 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

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[Friday 9:41 AM] Antoine RJ Wright
One sec all, we are adjusting for the for the echo

[Friday 9:43 AM]
Perhaps someone there in person could pass around a phone on speakerphone to use as a microphone, if the phone has better signal than the wifi audio?

[Friday 9:45 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)
No can't hear. Please mobile users, mute yourselves.

[Friday 9:45 AM] Antoine RJ Wright
I'm in the room via cellular (tablet);having fewer issues than most, but it seems we might have just hit the room/facility capacity

[Friday 9:45 AM] Mike Evans
@ Mr Wright, if you are physically in the meeting room can you mute your device if not speaking? That might help.

[Friday 9:45 AM] Antoine RJ Wright (Guest)
I am muted

[Friday 9:46 AM] Mike Evans
Great! thanks.

[Friday 9:51 AM] Daniel Paschall, East Coast Greenway Alliance (Guest)
We will ride the new interim East Coast Greenway as a group in celebration of the WB&A Bridge once it opens!
like 1

[Friday 9:51 AM]
Valerie Goubeau - UMD (Guest) has temporarily joined the chat.

[Friday 9:52 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)
Is it too late to enter a public comment?

[Friday 9:54 AM]
Nigel (Guest) has temporarily joined the chat.



[Friday 9:55 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)
No only hearing someone else who is not muted...

[Friday 9:58 AM] Owen Bailey
Great work. Thank you Patti!

[Friday 9:59 AM]
Valerie Goubeau - UMD (Guest) no longer has access to the chat.

[Friday 9:59 AM] Francine Waters
Marian is back on and ready to report
like 1

[Friday 10:00 AM] Seth Grimes (Guest)
If you'd like to be included in discussions with advocates, please contact me at seth.grimes@waba.org.
like 1

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[Friday 10:02 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)
Connections between trails! What a great idea! Yes, please! It's great for improving point A to point B uses.

[Friday 10:06 AM] Seth Grimes (Guest)
The 2018 Complete Streets bill was highly flawed however. It mandates information rather than action, due to a crippling amendment.

[Friday 10:06 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)
Complete streets - all agencies - (but not MDTA?) - where exactly is this documented? Is it the 2018 bill Seth just mentioned?

[Friday 10:07 AM] Guest
Complete Streets improvements for MdTA should also include major upgrades to the existing US-40 Hatem Bridge Susquehanna Crossing, including coverings of the suspension joints, removal of cyclists being required to pay tolls, and additional study of how to improve other safety interventions beyond just one flashing light.

[Friday 10:08 AM] Jaime Fearer
Here's the "Arrested Mobility" report from Charles T. Brown and team: <https://arrestedmobility.com/report/>

[Friday 10:09 AM] Seth Grimes (Guest)
@Mike Evans -- [HB0744](#), passed in 2018, said "THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL... ADOPT A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY FOR STATE HIGHWAYS"; however the definition has an strike-through substitution that rendered the law toothless: "COMPLETE STREETS POLICY" MEANS A POLICY THAT ~~REQUIRES~~ PROVIDES INFORMATION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPLETE STREETS DESIGN FEATURES DURING THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND RECONSTRUCTION OF A FACILITY.

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[Friday 10:09 AM] Guest

Adding to the complete streets -- MdTA should be required to coordinate with HarfordLINK, MTA, and other applicable transit agencies to improve non-car alternatives over crossings, like increasing bus frequency and expanding to 7 days a week, to improve bike + bus access over US-40

[Friday 10:12 AM]

Gabriel Rose has temporarily joined the chat.

[Friday 10:13 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

@ Jim that sounds like a good strategy - legislative hearing on how to assign responsibility and support with funding.

[Friday 10:15 AM] Jaime Fearer

Are you able to share contact info for the Pedestrian Subcommittee? And is there a site with meeting info on it and/or an email sign-up for updates/reminders?

[Friday 10:16 AM] Owen Bailey

SO excited Chuck Mahron from Strong Towns is speaking at one of the Walkinars.
like 2

[Friday 10:16 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

Great that SHA is looking closely at pedestrian safety!
like 2

[Friday 10:17 AM] Jon Korin

Stop as Yield 2023 Bill: HB1289

[Friday 10:19 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

I can't actually find the crash data dashboard. I find its website, I click I understand about the data... can you paste the link?

[Friday 10:20 AM] Francine Waters

Hi Jaime - please send me your email address fwaters@mdot.maryland.gov

[Friday 10:20 AM] Jaime Fearer

Hi Francine - I've sent a couple emails and will follow up again. Thanks.

[Friday 10:22 AM] Francine Waters

<https://zerodeathsmd.gov/resources/crashdata/crashdashboard/>

[Friday 10:23 AM] Francine Waters

Jaime - please do



1 Like reaction.1

[Friday 10:24 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

@ Francine Waters, thank you! I found that but don't see a dashboard. Maybe my browser is creating the problem.

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[Friday 10:24 AM] Jaime Fearer

Francine, will do. And apologies, I mis-typed. You've got me on the Ped Subcommittee list, and I'm looking to also connect with the other subcommittees. Sending a note shortly - thanks!

Champion, Jasmine (FHWA) no longer has access to the chat.

Owen Bailey no longer has access to the chat.

Seth Grimes (Guest) no longer has access to the chat.

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[Friday 10:32 AM] Daniel Paschall, East Coast Greenway Alliance (Guest)
thanks John!!

[Friday 10:32 AM] Deron Lovaas

Thank you for your service!

[Friday 10:33 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

@ Kandese Holford, could I contact you offline re: a public comment issue I missed being able to mention earlier (I had the start time of the meeting wrong). If so, my email is: mne.prs@gmail.com. Thank you.

[Friday 10:33 AM] Nigel

Thank you John

like 1

[Friday 10:33 AM] Kandese Holford

Yes, my email is kholford2@mdot.Maryland.gov

like 2

[Friday 10:36 AM]

Nigel (Guest) no longer has access to the chat.

[Friday 10:37 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

Antoine good for you! It's still hard crossing the many major arteries into DC from the PG and MoCo suburbs where I live ("hairy areas"). But getting better! +1 East Coast Greenway!

[Friday 10:38 AM] Daniel Paschall, East Coast Greenway Alliance (Guest)

Yes! I would love to help map / scout / advocate for better connections to Howard County to/from the ECG!

Antoine, you have my email, and anyone else interested, feel free to reach out to me at daniel@greenway.org

[Friday 10:38 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

@ Valerie Goubeau, are you still with UMD? Could we talk? Mike Evans, mnevans@umd.edu

[Friday 10:41 AM] Guest

Also re: Howard County connections -- any legislation for a MD Trails Office, Funding, and a Plan Update should include on-road connectors to/from trails that should be prioritized for traffic calming and safety improvements, along with the trail network planning and implementation 👍 1 Like reaction.1

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[Friday 10:42 AM] Antoine RJ Wright (Guest)

Yes, HoCo did mention that a challenge and opportunity for funding was navigating the on-road connections. There's some neat headway, but more pushing/advocacy (and us getting out there) is totally needed

[Friday 10:42 AM] Valerie Goubeau

I am! Marta Woldu and I are tag-teaming bike/ped efforts with a lot of focus on micromobility and accessibility

[Friday 10:42 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

Wow Kandese, thank you, those are great things to pursue!

[Friday 10:43 AM] Daniel Paschall, East Coast Greenway Alliance (Guest)

Major thanks to Marty for all her work and support of the East Coast Greenway over the years!

[Friday 10:43 AM] Antoine RJ Wright

Thanks Mike def challenging to cross HoCo between MoCo/PGC/AA/BC... but I can say I've biked a lot and kinda have some routes

[Friday 10:43 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

@ Valerie, thanks, I will be in touch. I think you are aware of the longstanding issue of the Campus Drive/RT 193 intersection. I've been in touch with the Office of the President but haven't heard back from David Allen to my requests for the UMD DOT to lean in on the issue.

[Friday 10:43 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

Thanks Marty!

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[Friday 10:45 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

@ Valerie, OK, will do, but at this point I am asking David to lean in on the issue.

[Friday 10:45 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

Public comment was at beginning of meeting.

[Friday 10:45 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

I'm here!

[Friday 10:46 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

@ Valerie, OK, will do, but at this point I am asking David to lean in on the issue. best to contact Alexis Thompson to discuss with David (athomps7@umd.edu)

[Friday 10:47 AM]

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[Friday 10:51 AM] Daniel Paschall, East Coast Greenway Alliance (Guest)



Governor Bridge Rd, closed for many years to traffic: <https://goo.gl/maps/sSQ6tEaQDEimG3329>

Governor Bridge · Governor Bridge Rd, Davidsonville, MD 21035

★★★★☆ · Historical landmark

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[Friday 10:54 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

Everyoneerie, I would be happy for anyone at UMD DOT to respond to my emails about this matter. Most recently from about August 19, 2022.

[Friday 10:54 AM] Mike Evans (Guest)

Thank you.