



MINUTES

Traffic Safety Advisory Committee (TSAC)
Marblehead, Massachusetts

September 16, 2024

The TSAC meeting was held at 4:00 p.m. at Abbot Hall, 188 Washington Street, Marblehead and publicly via Zoom Meeting.

The following TSAC members were in attendance, by roll call vote, which constitutes a quorum:

David Kucharsky, resident	Remote
Rick Smyers, resident	Present
Gary Hebert, resident	Present
Dennis King, Police Chief	Remote
Jason Gilliland, Fire Chief	Present
Amy McHugh, Director, Department of Public Works	Present
Maggie Wheeler, Town Engineer	Present
Thatcher Kezer-Ex Officio, Town Administrator	Remote

1. Call to Order

Gary Hebert Chair called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. and announced it was being recorded.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

No meeting minutes submitted

3. Public Comment –

Concerns on new parking arrangement at Village School. It was observed that many Children are not crossing at the new cross walk. Resident thinks new parking restrictions should be removed when school is not in session.

Chief King noted that changes were made to address sight lines that were creating a safety issue

Bicycle rider does not like new bump out at the rail trail crossing at West Shore Drive By Tower School. He would like signage added to area that motorist should give 4 ft of space when passing a bike.

Town Engineer noted that Bike Plan Survey is available currently on the Marblehead web site.

4. Discuss speed feedback signs and prospective locations

7 locations were reviewed. 5 rapid flashing beacon set ups are approved for funding this year.

Atlantic and Smith – 2 reported crashes involving cyclists

Birch St @ Lafayette – 4 reported crashes

West Shore @ Jersey St. - trees in area might affect solar power

Atlantic Ave @ Barnard – 1 Crash involving pedestrian

Atlantic Ave @ Community Rd – 11 reported Crashes – trees in area

Pleasant St @ “Starbucks” - a lot of crashes non involving vulnerable users
Atlantic Ave @ Commercial – 16 Crashes no reported pedestrian crashes
West Shore Drive @ Stramskis
Pleasant St @ Bessom St.

Discussion needed on criteria and how decisions are made.

5. DPW Director updates on the status of ongoing bike masterplan, townwide sidewalk Infrastructure studies and utility projects

Pedestrian Master Plan is in final stages – bike plan has one more public engagement meeting

6. Status of recommendations made to Select Board

Stop Sign Elm and Evens Rd. – has not had Select Board Vote yet
8 Bike Racks – Logan Casey is submitting Grant request for funding
Maple Street line painting has been completed
Timing for pedestrian crossing at Maple, Tedesco and Humphrey
New sidewalk on Lafayette Street has been contracted and work is to start soon
Beach Street is under contract for consultant to study and design – improvements have been seen with traffic enforcement and notifications that have been completed recently.
Pleasant Street from Humphrey to Baldwin another intersection under review and design
Peach Highlands speeds have gone down- What is out there appears to be working
Parking issues – West at Ocean Ave is adequate, and no action needed – Heritage way is enforcement issue. Fire lanes have been installed at Lindsey, Gregory @ Waldron and Orne Street @ Beacon St.
All Grants are at risk if MBTA zoning is not passed

7. Next meeting date, potential agenda items, and TSAC assignments

October 21, 2024

8. Adjourn 5:05pm

Motion *to Adjourn* made by Jason Gilliland and Rick Smyers seconded. On a roll call vote the Committee voted as follows: Gary Hebert in favor; Ric Smyers in favor, Jason Gilliland in favor, Amy Mchugh in favor, Dennis King in favor, David Kucharsky in favor, Maggie Wheeler in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy McHugh
Secretary