

**DRAFT - MINUTES  
OF THE NEW BRAUNFELS TRANSPORTATION & TRAFFIC ADVISORY BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING OF THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2024**

**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Kirkham called the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

The following members were present: Arthur Brinkkoeter, Ernesto Rodriguez, Gary Kirkham, Michael Yoder, Michael Dietert, Garrett Mechler. The following members were absent: Ron Munyan

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A) Approval of the minutes of the November 16th, 2023  
Transportation and Traffic Advisory Board meeting.

**Mike Dietert made a motion to accept the November 16, 2023, minutes as written. Michael Yoder seconded the motion. All in favor.**

**4. CITIZENS' COMMUNICATIONS**

*This time is for citizens to address the Transportation and Traffic Advisory Board on issues and items of concerns not on this agenda. There will be no Transportation and Traffic Advisory Board action at this time.*

**None.**

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

A) Presentation on the role of the Transportation and Traffic Advisory Board as the City of New Braunfels Street Safety Action Plan Task Force.

**Carly Farmer went over the New Braunfels Street Safety Action Plan Task Force and how it will help in the safety of the city streets. She said City of New Braunfels City Council appointed the Transportation & Traffic Advisory Board to serve as the Street Safety Action Plan Task Force. Gary Kirkham asked if this would help us use more traffic calming tools. Carly will let us have more information soon.**

B) Presentation and discussion on alternative traffic calming measures on Lazy Trail, E Zink Street, and Benelli Drive.

**Carly Farmer presented and explained how we are going to look at the**

big picture and standardize the projects. After going over the items to request speed humps to control speed and all failed, she showed how striping and signage would help control traffic issues. Then she showed us examples on the items we went over months ago. They were Lazy Trail, E. Zink St., and Benelli Drive. She showed us how the striping and crosswalks and signage would help slow down the speeding problems.

After the presentations, we let the public to express their thoughts and Eric Nelson agreed on the striping on these three items. He feels it would help on the speeding complaints. Daniel also agreed on the proposal.

Art mentioned that he would like to see these items be done like Carly showed. He felt like after the striping and signage is done, then we could see if this would work and may be able to learn off of the residents if it helped. It would also help even after we implement it with the Street Safety Action Plan Task Force. Chairman asked the rest of the board and they all agreed but Garrett had a few questions. Garrett also asked if maybe we should wait and see how the task force would help. He didn't want to spend the money on the items and then find out the task force would give us better tools to use. Sarah Miller would like to see traffic calming items to be done now and not later.

## **6. INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

A) Discuss and consider approval of the 2024 calendar for the Transportation and Traffic Advisory Board meetings.

Carly Farmer presented the Transportation and Traffic Advisory Board meeting calendar but suggested changing the February meeting date. Gary made a motion to accept the calendar with the condition that the February 8th meeting be moved to February 15th, Ernesto seconded, all in favor.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Board member Dietert motioned to adjourn. Board member Yoder seconded the motion.  
The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
GARY KIRKHAM, CHAIR

**Attest:**

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CARLY FARMER, BOARD LIAISON