

**MINUTES
LAWTON ACCESS BOARD
CITY ATTORNEY'S CONFERENCE ROOM
212 SW 9th STREET
DECEMBER 14, 2021**

Mike Jones called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Notice of meeting and agenda were posted on the City Hall notice board as required by law.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Love, Kay; Young, Dana; Bonacci, Rocco; Jones, Mike

ABSENT: Polk, Ray

OTHERS PRESENT:

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: Motion by Love to approve, second by Young. AYE: Love, Bonacci, Young, Jones. NAY: None

BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Old Business
2. New Business
 - A. Review and discuss status of existing pedestrian signals at certain street intersections and consider expenditure of ADA Compliance Improvement Funds to cause those signals to be fully accessible by installing audible pedestrian signals. Take action if necessary.

The group discussed several potential locations for pedestrian crossing signals to be provided or improved. Jones informed the group that information provided by the Traffic Engineer determined the average cost to be approximately \$13,000-\$15,000 per four-way intersection to provide approved audible pedestrian signals. After considerable discussion of several near vehicle-pedestrian collisions at various intersections, Love commented that the group should decide upon an amount they would like to spend on this issue and then decide on a group of intersections to improve with new signals. The group agreed to bring this matter back at a later date for further discussion.

No action taken.

3. Comments/Discussion

Bonacci commented that he is continually impressed with the improvements being made and new sidewalks being constructed by the City of Lawton and said that his friends from other communities are also impressed with the attention being given to improving accessibility here in Lawton as compared to other larger cities.

Jones listed for the group the many sidewalk and wheelchair ramp projects currently under construction and recently constructed. He discussed the proposed addition of elevators at the McMahon Memorial Auditorium and the recently constructed wheelchair ramps at the rear of the building.

The group also discussed the ongoing need for accessible 'Family' designated restrooms to better accommodate disabled persons who rely on another person to assist them.

4. Adjournment

Motion by Love, **Second** by Young, to adjourn. **Aye:** Love, Bonacci, Young, and Jones.
Nay: None. **Motion Passed.**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.