

**BOUNDARY AREA TRANSPORTATION TEAM  
MEETING NOTES/MINUTES  
April 25, 2018**

**Voting Members in Attendance:** Clint Kimball-Boundary County; John Nelson-City of Moyie Springs; Don Davis-Kootenai Tribe of Idaho; Carol Kunzeman-SPOT; Lisa Ailport-City of Bonners Ferry.

**Non-Voting Members in Attendance:** Commissioner Walt Kirby, Chair; Renee Nelson, Secretary; Brian Scrimsher-Avista; Jen Lanaville-NLI; Dennis Weed-BEDC.

**Others in Attendance:** George Shutes-ITD; Susan Kiebert-LHTAC; Dan Coonce-LHTAC; Marty Martinez; Dianna Ellis-KNWR; Stephen Howlett; Jesse Herndon-HMH; David Suhr-DEA; Tony Butler-DEA; Megan Kautz-LHTAC; Jim Woodward; Mike Boeck.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kirby at 1:30 pm at the National Guard Armory Conference Room. Introductions from those present were made and the meeting proceeded.

1. (MSU Nelson/Kimball) The proposed Minutes from March 28, 2018 were approved as distributed.

**2. *New Business***

**Susan Kiebert and Dan Coonce-LHTAC** (Local Highway Technical Assistance Council) updated members that Megan Kautz, Resident Engineer with LHTAC would be covering District 1 along with Adam Zaragoza, Construction Engineer Assistant. LHTAC is sponsoring their first annual Local Roads Photo Contest. Check LHTAC website for details. Boundary County's Ruby Creek Br #2 is in Phase II final design and is ahead of schedule. Trout Creek Bridge on the Westside Rd is in final design, construction in FY19. The Strategic Initiatives program had many applications and was not able to fund all. January 2019 will be the approximate next round of funds. Revise or resubmit applications. Contact LHTAC with any questions. There will be a TAPS (Transportation Alternatives Program) Webinar hosted by ITD April 26, 2018 at 11:00 am Mountain Time. The next round of applications for FLAP (Federal Lands Access Program) will be approximately January 2019. Contact Dan Coonce for information.

**Susan Kiebert filled in for Bill Roberson-ITD (Idaho Transportation Department)-**

- US 95 Echo Drive to MP 515.5 will start May 2018.
- Elmira Turn bay construction will start June 2018.
- Seal coats starting June 15, 2018.
- US 95 Stage 2 Labrosse Hill to Alderson Lane-FY21 construction-design moved ahead.
- US MP 498-conduit and rock buttress-start immediately-will be restriping area.
- Speed study at City of Moyie Springs will start when load limits come off.

**David Suhr-DEA (David Evans & Associates)** updated members regarding the US 95 Stage 1 construction. Preconstruction meeting will be next week. DEA office trailer will be in the ITD Maintenance yard. Tony Butler will be the Lead Inspector at the project. Daytime and night time work. Goodfellow Brothers is the contractor. Project to end Oct. 1, 2018.

**Renee Nelson-BATT Secretary** discussed the By-Laws update regarding non-voting members that was presented to members last month. Chairman Kirby asked for a motion to accept the changes as presented. (MSU Davis/Ailport) and members were unanimous in accepting change. Secretary Nelson said she would

update By-Laws to reflect this and email update of By-Laws to members.

**Susan Kiebert-BCATT/Renee Nelson-BATT** discussed location of May meeting with members. Susan Kiebert explained there will be a Legislative Briefing Meeting regarding updates and challenges to transportation. It will be on Wednesday, May 23, 2018, time and place to be determined. All jurisdictions in District 1 will be invited to attend. BCATT (Bonner County Area Transportation Team) and BATT will not be having their regular meeting due to this special meeting. Next regularly scheduled meetings will be June.

### *3. Construction Information*

**Brian Scrimsher-Avista** mentioned a lot of new house services being connected. US 95 project has a 2500 foot relocation of the Avista gas line from Madison to Ash St.

**Jen Lanaville-Northern Lights** commented that there is a lot of new construction for homes with NLI electric services. 10 new applications in the last 2 weeks.

### *4. Jurisdictional Updates*

**City of Bonners Ferry –Lisa Ailport** informed members the city has scheduled the Armory Building for May 31<sup>st</sup>, 4 to 6pm for an Open House regarding their Transportation Plan. Bike Plan by Smart Growth will be featured at the same workshop. The Community Builders Application the city applied for was not selected but they were in the top 5. They will be resubmitting their application in August of 2018.

**City of Moyie Springs-John Nelson** shared he was completing standard maintenance currently. The city is still working on water and sewer issues.

**Boundary County-Clint Kimball** updated members that Road & Bridge is completing brushing along Deep Creek Loop from Lions Den Rd north to the US 95 junction in preparation for the paving overlay and the repair at the MP 1.1 slide area. Preconstruction work is being planned for the projects at Snow Creek and Caribou Creek Bridges on Lions Den Road. HMM Engineering is working on the design for the slide repair. Work is also being done on Mirror Lake Road to prepare it to receive the grindings from the US 95 Phase 1 project. The grindings placed on the Meadow Creek/Moyie River Road remaining gravel section survived the winter well.

**Carol Kunzeman-SPOT (Public Transportation)** informed members there will be changes coming shortly.

**Don Davis-KTOI (Kootenai Tribe of Idaho)** updated members the Tribe is working on details of maintenance for the Wildlife Detection System at Camp Nine Road. Mention was made regarding the Pacific Northwest Trail and discussion at the KVRI meeting on April 23, 2018.

**George Shutes-ITD** informed members that ITD would be pulling shoulders from Echo Drive to MP 515. MP 498 is sliding some and they may hydro seed the bottom.

**Dennis Weed-BEDC (Boundary Economic Development)** informed members he is working sewer issues-prospects.

**Dianna Ellis-KNWR (Kootenai National Wildlife Refuge)** informed members they were working on maintenance projects and culverts. The Friends of the Kootenai National Wildlife Refuge will be sending

their contribution for the Riverside FLAP project in the amount of \$2000.00 to Road & Bridge. She is working on the Refuge Road program and looking to see if there is funding that can be used for projects-possibly Lions Den slides to help Boundary County Road & Bridge. She is also working on the Cascade Creek issue.

**5. *Public Comment***

Steve Howlett asked if there was anything with a list of some of the acronyms members use. Secretary Nelson said she had a list she had started compiling and would send it to him.

With no other business the meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

S/Renee Nelson  
Renee Nelson, BATT Secretary