

**BOUNDARY AREA TRANSPORTATION TEAM  
MEETING NOTES/MINUTES  
June 27, 2018**

**Voting Members in Attendance:** Clint Kimball-Boundary County; Lisa Ailport-City of Bonners Ferry; Bill Roberson-ITD.

**Non-Voting Members in Attendance:** David Sims-City of Bonners Ferry-Acting Chairman; Renee Nelson, Secretary; Brian Scrimsher-Avista; Jen Lanaville-NLI; Dennis Weed-BEDC.

**Others in Attendance:** Susan Kiebert-LHTAC; David Suhr-DEA; Jim Woodward; Matt Hall-HMH; Ken Blockhan Jr-BC Public Library Trustee; Craig Anderson-BC Free Library District.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Sims at 1:40 pm at the Bonners Ferry Visitor Center. Introductions were made and the meeting proceeded.

1. (MSU Ailport/Kimball) The proposed Minutes from April 25, 2018 were approved as distributed.

**2. New Business**

**David Suhr-DEA (David Evans & Associates)** updated members regarding the US 95 Stage 1 construction.

- Test strip was paved today
- Guardrail above the Kootenai River Inn parking lot is being installed.
- July 2 curbing, prepped for paving
- July 3-5 project will be shut down
- July 12-13 open to traffic tentatively
- Phase 1B next-gravel path for pedestrians-end of bridge to Ash Street
- Avista has completed utility work
- There will be 1 public meeting monthly regarding the US 95 Stage 1 held the last Thursday of each month at 11:00 am at the Visitor's Center.

**Susan Kiebert-LHTAC** (Local Highway Technical Assistance Council) updated members on:

- US 95 Stage 2 Design- Construction will be 2021. Public hearing will be held July 26, 2018 at the Bonners Ferry High School from 4:00-7:00 pm. Social media, newspaper, post cards will be used to notify the public. HMH Engineering is the contracted engineer.
- LHTAC- Strategic Initiatives funds for 2018-2019 will be \$21 million. Projects need to be shovel ready. There is no match for jurisdictions. Funds will be available after January 2019. Applications will be available this fall.

**Bill Roberson-ITD** (Idaho Transportation Department) updated members on current ITD projects.

- US 2 at Moyie Springs vision cameras will installed for a 24 hr minimum to record data for turning movements at Roosevelt Rd. Peak hours/speed study data was gathered, now data will be put together by Ben Ward, ITD. Results will be presented to the City of Moyie Springs. A discussion of crash data and factor determination followed by members.
- US 2 to Montana line-FY24-mill/overlay/seal coat
- ITD Board Meeting will be August 15 & 16, 2018. Tour will be August 15th and consist of I-90 from Washington State line going east through all projects on I-90. Meeting on August 16th will be at

the ITD office in Coeur d'Alene.

- I-90 between SH41 and Northwest Boulevard-84,000 ADT (Average Daily Traffic count). KMPO (Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization) has a 2018 grant-looking at moving POE (Port of Entry) to the west - Spokane Street & Mc Guire Rd. Planning regarding the Rest Area solution is still in process.
- US 95-Alderson Ln to Madison St has Right of Way issues-ongoing
- US 95 MP 498 slide-Right of Way about ready. Starlight Road will be paved. Repair will be done in 2018. Project is in final design.
- Elmira turn bay-start paving on Thursday
- US 95-Samuels to MP 504-Illumination, seal coat, pavement markings
- US 95 Echo Drive project Pre-Construction meeting-July 28, 2018. Project to start July 9, 2018.

**Lisa Ailport-City of Bonners Ferry** updated members that the TAC (Technical Advisory Committee) for the City's Transportation Plan will be meeting on July 26, 2018, 10:00 am to Noon. This meeting will cover the Master CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) along with goals and projects. A public workshop was held on May 31, 2018 and had good response. Presentations were provided by the Idaho Smart Growth.

### **3. Construction Information**

**Brian Scrimsher-Avista** updated members regarding Avista's work on the US 95 project. Issue with a tree on Madison Street was addressed. He had been working with ITD and Right of Way documentation. Gas pipe lines can only bend so much. He has also been working with the engineer on the project phase that goes to El Paso Street and then the gas line is out of the project area. Discussion followed regarding projects now using all GPS and no staking being required.

**Jen Lanaville-Northern Lights** updated members that there is a lot of new construction for homes with NLI electric services. Working with MP 498 project and Starlight Rd.

### **4. Jurisdictional Updates**

**Boundary County-Clint Kimball** updated members that Road & Bridge/Planning & Zoning/GIS are all busy with huge workload of new construction. FHWA projects have been reviewed and site visit completed. Boundary County has received all the reimbursement for those projects. July 9, 2018 will be the start date for the Snow Creek Bridge Idaho Parks & Recreation Bridge Replacement Project. August 6, 2018 will be the start date for the Caribou Creek Bridge Idaho Parks & Recreation Bridge Replacement Project. Both bridges are on Lions Den Road. Contractor Bid is about ready to go out for bids on the Deep Creek Loop MP 1.1 Repair. Working on contract bid for the Kootenai Trail Road-Atkins Canyon repair also. Mirror Lake Road will be receiving a second layer of grindings towards the later part of July.

**Don Davis-KTOI (Kootenai Tribe of Idaho)** was unable to attend, but sent an email to Secretary Nelson with updates. The Kootenai Tribe will be opening bids for the Little Bear Road and Chiqui Road Projects on Thursday, June 21, 2019. He will give us updates when bids are accepted.

**Dianna Ellis-KNWR (Kootenai National Wildlife Refuge)** informed members per a phone call to Secretary Nelson. The Refuge is working with Boundary County and FHWA to prepare for a public meeting in August regarding the Riverside Road Improvement Project.

## **5. Public Comment**

Ken Blockhan asked about the US 95 project at Hell Roaring Creek and Round Prairie and the issue with the pavement. Matt Hall with HMM Engineering said the contractor would be looking a reprofile and paving in July. He also asked about the flooding into the Library basement and the possibility of it resulting from the US 95 work. ITD stated they would be meeting with him and Library Director Craig Anderson after the meeting today.

With no other business the meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

S/Renee Nelson  
Renee Nelson, BATT Secretary