

**BOUNDARY AREA TRANSPORTATION TEAM  
MEETING NOTES/MINUTES  
March 28, 2018**

**Voting Members in Attendance:** Clint Kimball-Boundary County; John Nelson-City of Moyie Springs; John Youngwirth-City of Bonners Ferry; William Roberson-ITD; Don Davis-Kootenai Tribe of Idaho.

**Non-Voting Members in Attendance:** Commissioner Walt Kirby, Chair; Renee Nelson, Secretary; Brian Scrimsher-Avista.

**Others in Attendance:** Susan Kiebert-LHTAC; Lisa Ailport-City of Bonners Ferry; George Eskridge; Marty Martinez; Matt Hall-HMH; Ryan Luttmann-Century West Engineering.

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

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

2. New Business

**Susan Kiebert-LHTAC** updated members that Boundary County was awarded the STP (Surface Transportation Program) Rural project for Schoolhouse Road. Boundary County also received the LRHIP (Local Rural Highway Investment Program) for chip sealing Meadow Creek Rd/Moyie River Road. Surplus Eliminator funds for those jurisdictions that were awarded projects will be available June 2018, and those jurisdictions not receiving awards can resubmit or revise applications for the next round. Reimbursements for FHWA Emergency Repairs are being processed and some Boundary County has received some reimbursements. FEMA funds seem to be taking a little longer but are en route. LHTAC in cooperation with FHWA is hosting a Bike and Pedestrian Workshop, and it is scheduled for May 15 & 16, 2018. LHTAC will be sending out notices when registration is open.

**Bill Roberson-ITD** informed members that Foreman George Shutes is refreshing the pavement markings at the MP 498 slide area. The plans for the repair to the MP 498 are in beginning stages and plans are to complete the repair in 2018. US 95, Stage 1 is in award process. Stage 2 has been bumped from FY20 to FY21. Starting in June 2018 the Elmira turn bay will be constructed by Interstate. Seal coats will start this summer also. Brief discussion followed regarding City of Moyie Springs safety study for US 2 and Roosevelt. It was explained that safety improvements are driven by data. Lighting was discussed as being a concern and what additional funding sources may be available for lighting.

**George Eskridge** presented updates on the following legislative bills:

- HB496 which moves the supervision of the ITD Director from the ITD Board to the Governor-held in committee.
- HB389 which creates one speed for all vehicles on Idaho Roads, eliminating the lower limits for trucks-did not pass.
- HB471 which prohibits any vehicle from travelling below the posted speed in the left lane on an access controlled Roadway-became LAW
- HB38 which covers Emergency vehicle coming either way-traffic must pull over and stop- became LAW.

**Renee Nelson-BATT** Secretary discussed By-Laws update regarding non-voting members and reminded members that they would be voting on this change at the next meeting in April.

### 3. Construction Information

**Brian Scrimsher** with Avista was looking for better weather. All members echoed the sentiment. Avista is working on the US 95 Ash Street to Madison relocation process. He also updated members regarding the 811 utility locate system that has the day the locate request is called in as a "dead day" and the next day starts the 48 hour waiting period. Password will be updating all concerned.

### 4. Jurisdictional Updates

**City of Bonners Ferry – John Youngwirth** mentioned that the street department was transitioning from winter to summer maintenance. **Lisa Ailport** informed members the Technical Advisory Committee for the Transportation Plan had their first meeting and received good input and a public involvement meeting is scheduled for first part of May.

**City of Moyie Springs-John Nelson** shared he was also transitioning from winter to summer maintenance. The City of Moyie Springs hosted the Governor for a Day and had great success. Susan Kiebert informed all that there was good, positive feedback from those in attendance.

**Boundary County-Clint Kimball** updated members that Road & Bridge was working on final FEMA, FHWA project reimbursements. Springs road restrictions for hauling are still in place. Brushing was being performed along Deep Creek Loop from Lions Den Rd north to the US 95 junction in preparation for the paving overlay, the repair at the MP 1.1 slide area and also for ascetic view. Summer projects scheduled are replacing the bridges at Snow Creek and Caribou Creek on Lions Den Road, repair to the Deep Creek Loop MP 1.1 slide area, Kootenai Trail-Atkins Canyon FEMA repair, preparing Moyie River Road/Meadow Creek Road for chip sealing in 2019. Discussion followed regarding the lack of SRS funding, distribution of PILT funding, new Pay for Use grader program being entered into with Caterpillar Finance and Western States Equipment Co. Rapid growth in the county was discussed and the overload to Road & Bridge, Planning & Zoning and the Mapped to keep up with it. Encroachment fees were discussed and suggestions, descriptions and comparisons were made as to how other counties are handling these issues.

**Don Davis-KTOI** updated members that bid packages will be out in 2018 for Paving Little Bear Rd and Three Moon Drive at Tribal Headquarters. At the end of Frontier Village Road, the Tribe has a private road to the left and this is scheduled to be improved in 2018. Patty Perry has resigned from the Kootenai Tribe to pursue other interests. She will remain and help with the transition for the next couple of months.

### 5. Public Comment – there was no public comment.

With no other business the meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

S/Renee Nelson  
Renee Nelson, BATT Secretary