# BOUNDARY AREA TRANSPORTATION TEAM MEETING NOTES/MINUTES July 25, 2018

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

**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.

<u>Others in Attendance</u>: Susan Kiebert-LHTAC; David Suhr-DEA; Matt Hall-HMH; Stephen Howlett; Marty Martinez; Idaho Representative Sage Dixon.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Sims at 1:35 pm at the Bonners Ferry Visitor Center. Introductions were made and the meeting proceeded.

1. (MSU Davis/Ailport) The proposed Minutes from June 27, 2018 were approved as distributed.

# 2. New Business

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

- Sue Higgins, ITD Board Secretary has sent notices that the District 1 Board Meeting will be August 16, 2018 at the District 1 Office in Coeur d'Alene starting at 8:00 am. Locals will be allowed time to speak to Board Members. Dress is business casual.
- US 95 Stage 2 Public Meeting will be held on July 26<sup>th</sup> from 4-7 pm at the Bonners Ferry High School. Post cards have been sent out.
- Strategic Initiatives has \$24 millions funds. The Child Pedestrian Safety component has \$2 million additional funds. Local jurisdictions can apply or reapply. Need to be shovel ready projects. No self performing-must be contract only.
- T2 training-if certain courses are needed, get information to Laila Kral at LHTAC

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

- Draft ITIP is out for public comment
- Funds for US 95 have been approved
- US 2 from junction to Montana Line-FY24 for mill and overlay
- US 2 turn bays still on track
- Mc Arthur Lake project is on plan and ITIP
- MUTCD (Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices) new update is Ida Shields at railroad crossings will no longer be replaced currently and will be removed by Dec. 31, 2018/early 2019. New MUTCD requirement will be a post set within 25 feet of railroad track and will have regulatory signs-stop sign/cross buck/placard all on same post. These will now be maintained by railroad not jurisdiction.
- US 2 at City of Moyie Springs-speed study data collected-present Sept. 5, 2018 at 7:00 pm City of Moyie Springs. Ben Ward will attend with data information
- US 95 Echo Drive project in progress
- US 95 MP 498 in preconstruction-contract awarded after bids received, construction this year
- Elmira turn bays are completed except for luminaries
- FY18 Seal coats on US 95-oil issue and working on solution-warranty seal coats
- \$37 Million in projects is in ITIP for Boundary County
- Left turn in yellow flash node at Alderson Lane/US 95; No pedestrian if in flash mode

**David Suhr-DEA (David Evans & Associates)-US 95 Phase** 1-updated members that 2 lanes have been paved, now in next 2 lanes of construction. Phase 1 B-common utility trench from Madison to Alderson Lane. Trees in right of way to come down. Phase 1 C will be middle of September to October.

# 3. Construction Information

**Brian Scrimsher-Avista** updated members regarding Avista's work on the US 95 project. Avista's 4 inch line down Ash Street will be next week, 600 feet of pipe. August 1, 2018 Password One Call will be implementing a change. The change will be the day you send in the locate does not count the 24 hour time period. Time will now start counting at midnight that day, then 2 full days, ending at midnight the 2<sup>nd</sup> day before work can proceed, basically from the day you send in locate you will not start work until the 4<sup>th</sup> day.

Jen Lanaville-Northern Lights updated members that they were checking on locator issues.

# 4. Jurisdictional Updates

John Nelson-City of Moyie Springs updated members he was working on tree removal on Wells Street.

**City of Bonners Ferry –Lisa Ailport** updated members the city's Technical Advisory Committee for their Transportation Plan will be meeting July 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. Transportation Plan delivery to LHTAC is set for September 30th. Looking into project with FHWA (Federal Highway Administration) for an advisory lane trial for a shared use area. City's challenge is for new street profile. Looking at signage to show navigation.

**Boundary County-Clint Kimball** updated members that the new Snow Creek Bridge is almost ready to open and was started on July 9, 2018. August 6, 2018 will be the start date for the Caribou Creek Bridge Project-Lions Den Road. Preparing for Rock Creek Culvert repair on Turner Hill Road and District Two Rd-Fry Creek repair from FEMA flooding. Kootenai Trail-Atkins Canyon repair getting ready to go to bid. Plan is to make roadway passable before winter and complete work in the spring. Mirror Lake Road will be receiving a second layer of grindings starting Monday. Will be sending out Riverside Road Improvement Project Public Meeting and Open House notices this week for meeting August 8, 2018.

**Don Davis-KTOI (Kootenai Tribe of Idaho)** updated members that Wink, Inc is the awarded Contractor for Chiqui Rd at the end of Frontier Village Rd. Project includes paving and a retaining wall. Rhonda Vogl is now the Administrative Director replacing Patty Perry, who has retired.

**David Sims-SPOT (Public Transportation)** updated members that SPOT Director, Marian Johnson is retiring. New grants were awarded in spring of 2018 and these will be staring. SPOT is still coming 2 times a week in Boundary County.

### 5. Public Comment

Stephen Howlett talked about Strategic Initiatives and Budget Surplus.

**Representative Sage Dixon** spoke about how the Strategic Initiatives funding works. Sunset Law for the Strategic Initiatives is FY19. There is Legislation working to change this to perpetual and the Sunset Law would be done away with.

With no other business the meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

S/Renee Nelson Renee Nelson, BATT Secretary