

# Upper and Lower Rattlesnake Transportation Committee

## Meeting Minutes

Date: June 11, 2019

Time: 5:30 – 7:00 PM

Location: Hal Fraser Conference Room

140 W Pine

Missoula, MT 59802

1. Introductions: *Bob Giordano (Chair) Tom Carlson (Secretary), Tom Javins, Fred Rice, Mary Louise Zapp Knapp, John Dahl, Jane Kelly and Karen Gasvoda (Office of Neighborhoods).*
2. Approval of Agenda: *Prioritized items 5, 9, 14d for discussion.*
3. Approval of [May 14, 2019](#) meeting minutes: *Approved as written.*
4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:
  - a) *Missing and poor quality striping on city streets possibly due to poor quality paint? Also, policy of not painting fog line on streets when there is a sidewalk was questioned by John.*  
*Jane will inquire of Public Works as to paint quality and schedule for striping Van Buren Street.*
  - b) *Mary Louise participated in the previous feasibility study for the upper Rattlesnake Drive bike/ped. path and has a folder of documents. The file will be passed on to Bill Ruediger for use in current effort.*
5. Bringing Plans Together (this includes a proposal to update the Rattlesnake Valley Transportation Summit Study, item #14g)
  - *The public survey was launched and as of June 10, 2019 there were 68 responses.*
  - *The survey will remain open until 10/31/19 to allow time for discussion at both the upper and lower neighborhood council general meetings and use of the candidate forum post card for marketing.*
  - *Other marketing will include posting in the city digest and Facebook page (Karen).*
  - *Becky with Parks and Recreation will also promote the survey.*
  - *Jane will create 10 posters for display at the Rattlesnake, Market and Café, Albertsons, and city trailheads in the neighborhood. Tom will post.*
  - *John will inform Missoula Bike Club.*
  - *Tom has posted the survey link on the Nextdoor Neighborhood website.*
  - *The existing requirement for name and address of the person completing the survey will be retained to help prevent multiple survey responses from one individual.*
  - *Karen will forward survey results to Bob and Ben Weiss.*

6. Mountain View Drive/Woodland Drive – make path at the west end of Mountain View a permanently pedestrian-only right-of-way or conversion to an official city “trail”
7. Speed Study on Lolo Street
8. Van Buren Street Interchange
9. Van Buren Street Construction Phase III, improve the turnoff onto Missoula Avenue:
  - *The project to fix mistakes made in the 2018 reconstruction project is out for bid.*
  - *At the February 12, 2019 meeting Ben Weiss agreed with the need to relocate the 25mph speed limit sign for southbound vehicles to match the 30mph sign for northbound vehicles. This has not been done and Karen or Jane will contact Chad Pancake of Traffic Services.*
10. Missoula Ave. one-way to Lolo and one-way to Van Buren at Richard Street
11. Removing Double Yellow Center Lines on Low Volume Streets, to Decrease Speeding and Increase Safety
12. Brainstorm ways to increase awareness of this committee
13. Identify next meeting date, place and time and prioritize discussion items:
  - *Next meeting will be September 10, 2019, 5:30 – 7:00 pm in the Hal Fraser Conference room, 140 West pine Street.*
14. The following items may be discussed:
  - a. Connecting trails, Clark Fork to Recreation Area
  - b. Bicycle and pedestrian mobility and safety – Broadway/Van Buren
  - c. Concerns for traffic during the 2018 summer reconstruction of Van Buren Street and the I-90 interchange
  - d. Alvina to Lolo Street (on Greenough Drive) bike and walkways
    - *At the February 12, 2019 meeting Ben Weiss said that he would organize a design charrette meeting to gather public input for a redesign of this street. No meeting has been planned as yet. Karen will remind Ben.*
  - e. Van Buren/Front intersection safety
  - f. Vine/Greenough trail entry safety
  - g. Updating the Rattlesnake Valley Transportation Summit Study (see item #5)
  - h. Psyllium and sustainable paving Greenough Park
  - i. Pentachlorophenol safety issue on Greenough Bridge

- j. Madison pedestrian bridge to Greenough Park connection
- k. Bulbouts and bicycle safety at Rattlesnake School
- l. Bicycle and pedestrian safety along Lincoln Hills.
- m. Lack of parking for the Syringa Park bike park and the soccer fields along Lincoln Hills Drive
- n. Winter walkway and bikeway maintenance, and transit service improvements, including snow issues at bus stops
- o. Moving of the railway yard out of its present location
- p. Need for Griz game day parking restrictions
- q. Need for roundabout at the intersection of Lolo Street and Rattlesnake Drive
- r. Driver confusion with the three-way stop at the Rattlesnake Drive/Lincolnwood intersection

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