



# **LOCKWOOD PEDESTRIAN SAFETY DISTRICT**



Lockwood Pedestrian Safety District Advisory Board  
Meeting Minutes  
June 3, 2015

Attendees: Nic Talmark, Woody Woods, Scott Taylor, Jeffrey Butts, Jolene Rieck, Chuck Strum, Patrick Klugman and Tobin Novasio

Chairman Nic Talmark called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

Public comment was open and closed with no comments.

### New Board Members

Nic indicated that the public meeting generated lead for a potential new board member. He emailed the individual and provided an application form.

### Highway 87 Path

Nic and Woody met with the County Commissioners and staff to discuss the budget for next year. They discussed the provisions of the INTERCAP loan that the County would pursue to construct the Highway 87 project. County finance would like the loan in-place prior to award of the bid.

Chuck indicated that the two easement documents have been sent to the private property owners for their signatures. Once in place, the Commissioners will need to sign off on the easement agreements. The MDT encroachment permit has been submitted and is waiting for all signatories to the document.

The group discussed the long-range budget and financing steps. Chuck will confirm with the County if the project can go to bid as early as next Thursday, June 11. He indicated that it will require a 3-week advertisement, and then the County can take up to 60 days to award the bid, which will allow all of the financing paperwork to take place.

Chuck will call Kevin and Jennifer at the County to discuss the budgets so that everyone is clear on the expectations and protocols.

### Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant

Jeffrey indicated that in his discussions with FHWA, they will be focused on connectivity, ADA and safety in this round of grant applications. Montana has approximately \$3 million to distribute. Information on the grant can be found at [http://www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/ta\\_application.shtml](http://www.mdt.mt.gov/mdt/ta_application.shtml)

The group discussed Becraft Lane as a viable candidate, as it provides connectivity to work places, the Johnson Lane interchange, commercial centers and has had documented injury and fatalities. Nic moved and Woody seconded to submit an application for Becraft Lane. Motion passed unanimously.



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The grant writing “team” will be led by Patrick at BSED. The BSED will need to coordinate the application with the Billings MPO. Chuck will start right-of-way research and will follow up with the County on contracting. Woody indicated that some ROW can be provided on Becraft to Starwood. Jeffrey will be the liaison between the grant team and MPO.

### Non-Motorized Transportation Plan

Nic called for additional corrections or clarifications to the document. Patrick provided a couple of comments. Tobin indicated that he was appreciative of the demographics portion. Woody made a motion to recommend approval of the NMTP, Tobin seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Jolene explained the approval process and schedule that was provided by City-County Planning. Jeffrey explained the outcomes of the plan as a tool to establish legitimacy and consensus on a cohesive vision. Jolene will follow up with the group to ensure representation at the meetings.

### Non-infrastructure Activities

Nic tabled the non-infrastructure activities plan until the July meeting.

### LPSD By-laws

Woody presented a draft of the advisory board’s by-laws. Jeffrey provided some changes and edits. Members are to send suggested edits to Woody for incorporation.

### Agenda items for the next meeting

Jeffrey requested time to give a presentation on the “Kids in Motion” program.

TAP Grant application

Non-infrastructure activities, including business recognition

Highway 87 project ground breaking ceremony

### Adjournment

Nic adjourned the meeting at 8:37 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Jolene Rieck, Consultant