



# YELLOWSTONE COUNTY DUI TASK FORCE

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## Yellowstone County DUI Task Force Meeting Minutes Thursday, September 15, 2016

**Present:** Monty Wallis, Keith Edgell, Sharmon Brougham, Jeannie Martin, Riley Finnegan, Roger Gordon, Sara Mahoney, Richard Gilmore, Brandon Ihde, Kevin Holland, Paul Chaon, Darla Tyler-McSherry.

**Excused:** Christina Escamilla, Kent O'Donnell.

The meeting was called to order at 12:07 PM. A motion was made to approve the August meeting minutes. Motion seconded and approved.

Members received an electronic copy of the budget update prior to the meeting. Morgan provided an overview of the current budget status. No questions were brought forward at this time.

Morgan provided a web traffic report for the month. We had a total of 51 pageviews and 39 unique views.

Sara provided a social media report. The DUI Task Force Facebook page had 355 pageviews in the past month.

The group confirmed plans for the September 23 Ales for Trails event. The volunteer work schedule is basically finalized. We will offer free Tavern Taxi vouchers. Our door prizes are four \$25 Scheels gift cards. Giveaway items include the solar-powered keychain flashlights, BAC wallet cards, and informational sheets with QR codes that scan to the MDT webpage and our videos we produced in partnership with the Montana Crime Prevention Association. Using the Drunk Driving goggles was discussed. We need to be very clear if we use them at these events that they are for educational purposes only, not to be intended as any form of measurement or assessment of an individual's level of impairment.

Officer Ihde provided an update for our NILE Rodeo involvement. On the evening of Saturday, October 22 the theme is Law Enforcement Appreciation Night. He has secured booth space for us on the concourse for all three nights-October 20-22. JJ Harrison will work our DUI prevention message into his routines. Brandon brought a shirt with the customized design and all agreed it looks great and will get our name and message out to a broader audience. He said there will be lots of exciting components to the Law Enforcement Appreciation event. We passed around a volunteer sign up sheet and Darla will also send it out via email, as our next meeting falls on the same day as the first day of the NILE. Darla will check to see if we have access to a table sized game wheel to attract people to stop and interact at our booth. She presented swag ideas and the group discussed possibilities. It was noted a larger budget is needed. A motion was made to amend the NILE event budget to a total of \$1400, which will include the barrel wrap, shirts, swag items. Motion seconded and approved.

Brandon also gave a report on the DRE conference he attended in Denver with two other officers. He shared examples of several cutting edge initiatives, such as the Colorado Department of Transportation's website focusing on driving while high, and information on Kratom, a Spice-like product that the DEA is

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pushing to move to a Schedule I classification. Much of the conference was focused on marijuana. He believes it was a very educational and worthwhile conference.

Darla shared the letter sent to the Task Force by Billings Police Department Officer Glenn Gunther, who thanked the Task Force for the RFP funds which allowed him to participate in the Denver DRE conference.

A motion was made to adjourn. Motion seconded and approved. Meeting adjourned at 12:47 PM.