



BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

City of Billings & Yellowstone County
MEETING MINUTES



Tuesday, May 22, 2018 MEETING TIME: 11:30 am
1st Floor Conference Room, Miller Building
2825 3rd Avenue North, Billings, MT 59101

Call to order: Ed Gulick, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m.

Members present: Kristi Drake, City Council; DJ Clark, County; Zac Hassler, County; Jane Van Dyk, City Council; Liana Susott, County; Amber Sundsted, City Council

Others present: Lora Mattox, Transportation Planner

Public Comment Period:

- a. **Comments on items not on the agenda and request to add items to future agendas –**
none
- b. **Comments on items on the non-public agenda items –** none

Motion. Approval of the meeting minutes of: April 24, 2018: Kristi motions to approve the minutes as presented, DJ seconds. Approved.

Old Business:

Annual BPAC Presentation to the Governing Bodies – Ed reviewed the presentation intended for the governing bodies as an update on BPAC activities. The first presentation is scheduled tonight at the Yellowstone County Board of Planning. The board is welcome to attend; the meeting begins at 6 p.m. in the first floor conference room.

New Business:

Discussion of Potential Trail Funding Mechanism – Ed opened this topic with a reminder of the loss of federal funding with the discontinuation of CTEP and the competitive nature of the Transportation Alternatives Program. Previous funding initiatives that had great success in Billings was the General Obligation Bond, this lasted over 10 years and helped match the CTEP projects. Dave Mumford, Public Works Director, has discussed with Billings TrailNet the idea of having an opt-out \$1 to \$2 contribution associated with monthly utility bills. Billings TrailNet has been meeting with council to discuss this possibility. Mr. Mumford plans to present this option to the council at a work session late summer/early fall. Question: Who will manage the funds? BPAC could be a leading voice in recommending projects. There was some discussion on including Parks and Public Works in BPAC meetings or expanding to a representative from Healthy by Design. A presentation on the Utility Billing may be available for the June meeting.

Other Business:

- **Next BPAC meeting – June 19, 2018**

Future Agenda Items:

- Skyline Trail Presentation
- Utility Billings Presentation
- Joint meeting with Traffic Control Board – July?

Adjournment