

# Upper and Lower Rattlesnake Transportation Committee

## Meeting Minutes

Date: November 1, 2016

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Rattlesnake Market and Café  
2501 Rattlesnake Dr.  
Missoula, MT 59802

Committee members: Bob Giordano—co-chair; Emily Jensen—co-chair; Tom Carlson—secretary; Robin Poole; Fred Rice; Malinda Gaudry

Others: Jane Kelly—Neighborhood Coordinator

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1. Van Buren Roundabouts Safety and Landscaping – Discussed concerns for pedestrian and biker safety with both current use and signage and for the redesigned intersections after reconstruction. Agreed to review construction plans at next meeting.
  2. Connecting Trails – Clark Fork to Recreation Area – Identified need to determine what the city has in mind for this route. Fred will contact Donna Gaukler.
  3. Transit Service Improvements – Mtn. Line no longer serves the neighborhoods west of Rattlesnake Creek. Emily will ask Mtn. Line about future plans.
  4. Bike and Walk Ways – Agenda item combined with other items.
  5. Alvina to Lolo St (on Greenough Dr) bike and walkways – Identified need for designated path and signage. Bob will contact the city.
  6. Missoula Avenue Speeding – The neighborhood has expressed their concerns to the city and some alternatives are being considered. Bob will keep in contact with residents and the city.
  7. Duncan Drive speeding and safety – Issue tabled for now.
  8. Deer on Greenough – Identified Bill Ruediger (wildlife biologist) as contact for ideas on possible mitigation measures. Tom will contact Bill.
  9. Van Buren/Front Intersection safety – Discussed continuing safety issues. Fred will contact city to get an update on options and plans.
  10. Vine/Greenough trail entry safety – City (Ben Wise) considering options to move trail entrance to improve safety. Identified need for better pavement markings and signs for crossing as possible short term action. Malinda will contact city.
  11. Psyllium and sustainable paving Greenough Park – Bob and Emily are looking into less toxic alternatives to asphalt paving that could also address tree root problem.
  12. Pentachlorophenol safety issue on Greenough Bridge – Letter was sent to city by neighborhood council last year expressing concerns. Jane will look into response and options.

13. Madison pedestrian bridge to Greenough Park Connection – Pedestrian/bike bridge to be closed during reconstruction of the Madison Street Bridge and an identified and safe substitute route is needed during the construction period. There is a bridge planning meeting scheduled for Nov. 15. Fred will look into the issue.
14. Improve the turnoff for northbound bikes from Van Buren onto Missoula Avenue--tabled
15. Bulbouts and bicycle safety at Rattlesnake School--tabled
16. Bike and Ped safety along Lincoln Hills--tabled
17. Discussion of possible Long Range Transportation Plan letter--tabled
18. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items – Concern for speeding vehicles on Monroe Street near the Greenough Park pavilion. Currently there are no speed limit signs or traffic calming devices. Jane will look into the issue and possible options.
19. Other business – The committee designated Bob Giordano and Emily Jensen as co-chairs with Tom Carlson as secretary. The committee agreed to meet every 3 months on the first Tuesday of the month. Next meeting is February 7, 2017, at 5:30pm, location to be determined by Bob. Proposed agenda item: how to communicate and share information among committee members.

Submitted by: Tom Carlson