

**TRAFFIC CONTROL BOARD  
MINUTES  
April 26, 2011**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Todd Cormier, Brent Krueger, Walt Willett, Steve Zeier, Capt Bedford, Sondra Baker

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** James Knox (excused)

**STAFF SUPPORT:** Terry Smith, John Gibson

**GUESTS:** None

**BUSINESS MEETING:**

**Call to order:** Chair Steve Zeier called the meeting to order at 12:20 pm in the conference room of the Public Works Building, 2224 Montana Avenue

**Minutes:** Motion for approval of the March minutes by Walt Willett, seconded by Sondra Baker. Motion approved on a voice vote.

**Open Public Comment:** None

**STAFF REPORTS:**

Terry reported the bid opening for reconstruction of Rimrock Road from 17<sup>th</sup> St West to Forsythia is scheduled for this afternoon, Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. He also noted utility relocation, sewer line work, and construction of a new bridge over Alkali Creek is underway on the Bench Connection project. The Bench connection project is scheduled to be completed by November, 2011, with the exception of a chip seal that will be done in 2012. Reconstruction of Bench between Target and Hilltop Road is expected to start in 2012.

Terry distributed a copy of a *Billings Gazette* article regarding a proposed land swap between the City and Billings Clinic. The City would vacate 9th Avenue North between N. 28<sup>th</sup> & N. 29<sup>th</sup> Streets, and N. 28<sup>th</sup> Street between 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 11<sup>th</sup> Avenues North in exchange for Clinic owned property south of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue North between N. 28<sup>th</sup> & N. 29<sup>th</sup>. The property acquired by the City would be available for construction of the proposed new library. Terry said the Engineering Division has had very little involvement in the negotiations and Engineering Staff has been asked for little input on the proposal.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Lane Rental. Terry reported that he had checked the City of Bozeman webpage for information on proposals in Bozeman to limit the number of times that Main Street could be closed for events. It appears this is being driven mostly by the costs the city incurs in setting up for events—not necessarily by a desire to reduce traffic impacts.

2. Complete Streets. Terry reported that a public meeting was held on April 7<sup>th</sup> to get input on the proposed Complete Streets policy that is being drafted by the Ad Hoc committee organized by the *Healthy by Design* coalition of local medical & health organizations. The committee will be review the draft policy in light of the public comments received and make modifications as necessary. A final draft will be taken before various City boards (including Traffic Control Board) and civic groups for endorsement later this spring. The goal is to take the policy to City Council for formal adoption in August.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was adjourned at 12:40 pm