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Roberts hwy 212 Improvement & Safety Committee

Committed to advocating for the Roberts community's needs and requests for a safe, functional and aesthetic result from MDT's Hwy 212 re-construction improvements.

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and Safety Committee**

Minutes for meeting #10

Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 8:30 AM
Carbon County Commissioners Office, Red Lodge

- There were 11 people (total) in attendance= 8 of 9 committee members: Michael Gebhardt (Chair), Frank Jarvenpaa, Steve Keebler, Sanford Langager, Chris White, Alex Ator, Dale Marie Muller and MarCo LaRowe along with Commissioner Bill Bullock, Commissioner Scott Blain and Commissioner Robert De Armond
- Greetings and introductions.
- 1. Frank passed out brochures of our signed letter and Montana code 61-8-309 with highlighted areas to all of the commissioners. He read the letter out loud in full.
- 2. The commissioners looked over the brochure while Alex shared some stats and resident's questions and comments from the online survey/google document app. To date, about 17 people have submitted the online survey. To date, about 25 people have returned the hand out surveys to Chris.
- 3. Scott said that he could support our #1 and # 2 key issues from the brochure, which are reducing the speed limit to 35 and removing the center lane. Robert agreed. Bill was reluctant on reducing the speed before the speed study is conducted. Scott supported our idea to privately fund the speed signs like Joliet saying that he thought they are very effective.
- 4. Mike expressed the ditch concerns and suggested curtain drains. Concerns about who would be responsible for cleaning out culvert pipes were mentioned. Over all, the commissioners requested that we be patient about the ditches, wait for MDT's proposal for the east ditches for the memorials and try out the ditches on the west side to see how they work when they are fully completed in the spring.

5. Sanford suggested returning to the idea of curb and gutter for the best aesthetics. The commissioners mentioned that it would be difficult to introduce that idea into the design at this point.

6. We requested signs for the amish. Bill reached out to Zane and signs are in the works to be installed.

7. Chris and Dale closed the discussion stressing the point that the speed reduction and the center lane validity go hand in hand. The importance of reducing the speed to 35 sooner than later will support the removal of the center lane. MDT has informed us that the center lane is only needed in areas with a speed limit of 45 or more.

- Target the next community meeting for the end of February. We will plan on having a powerpoint presentation. We are still waiting for multiple responses from MDT so we can have as much information to share with the community as possible.

- Meeting adjourned at 9:15 am