

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of the Big Sky Park District Board of Directors

Thursday, March 17, 2016

Water & Sewer District #363 Meeting Room

9:00 AM

Present: Mary Wheeler, Steve Johnson, Ciara Wolfe, Jon Olsen

Members of the Public: none

1. **Call to Order:** Mary Wheeler called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Mary Wheeler introduced and welcomed Jon Olsen as the new Board member.

2. **Approval of December, 2015 Minutes:** Steve Johnson moved to approve the minutes as presented; Ciara Wolfe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Old Business:

a) Status Report from BSCC: Ciara Wolfe updated the board that BSCC is not involved in the pond project, beyond working to find a safe route for a trail along Little Coyote Rd. She shared that BSCC is proceeding with engineering and design on a tunnel under Hwy 64 and plans to ask BSRAD for construction costs in the upcoming application. She also shared the provided cost of the Master Parks Plan. Steve Johnson confirmed that he got e-mails from both Counties regarding our insurance and that we do not need our own D&O Insurance, the Parks District Board is covered under County insurance. Mary asked that these e-mails please be printed and included in the minutes binder.

b) Grant Writing: Ciara shared that there are a couple grants out there for both the tunnel and the Master Parks Plan. The Board decided to move forward with hiring either Nittany Grant Works or Thurd Sector Consulting to provide a list of eligible grants for both of these projects along with a bid for the cost to write these grants. Ciara will be in contact with both and provide the cost to the other board members for approval before hiring.

c) Insurance: Steve Johnson reported that he canceled the D & O Insurance and informed BSRAD that the Parks District would not have this budgeted expense in the future.

4. New Business

a) Board Vacancies: Steve Young will not be renewing his term. Mary Wheeler will be renewing her term. We have one Madison County seat available to fill.

b) Election of Officers: Mary Wheeler offered to serve as Chair, Steve Johnson offered to serve as Vice Chair & Treasure, Ciara Wolfe offered to serve as Secretary. Jon Olsen moved to elect the slated officers and Steve Johnson seconded. The motion moved unanimously.

5. Announcements

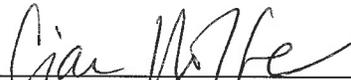
a) Steve Johnson said after receiving the proposal from the grant writer with identified grants the parks District would qualify for in addition to a bid for writing the grants, he would be responsible for writing the Resort Tax Application by May 1. If no grants are available for the Master Parks Plan, the Parks District would agree to ask for \$26,000 from BSRAD to pay half the fees and Ciara Wolfe would ask BSCC Board to pay the other half.

6. Date of next meeting: June 2, 2016 9 am

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 AM



Mary Wheeler, Chair



Ciara Wolfe, Secretary