

Big Sky Park District Board of Directors Meeting Minutes June 18th 2013

Water & Sewer District #363 Lower Meeting Room

In attendance: Mary Wheeler, Steve Johnson, Steve Young, Jessie Wiese. From the public Matt Dobson from the Big Sky Weekly.

1. **Public Comment – No public comment**
2. **Call to Order: Mary Wheeler called the meeting to order at 9:05**
3. **Approval of March 14, 2013 Minutes: Steve Johnson made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes, Steve Young seconded.**

4. Old Business:

a.) Bank Account with Gallatin County, Tax ID Number, etc.

Steve Johnson reported that he spoke with Jen Blossom, Jim Buchanan's assistant and she gave him two options. 1. Gallatin County would do the banking for us and they would control all components OR 2. We do it ourselves as an independent entity – we would then need to figure out how to separate counties. Steve J noted that the Fire Dept. manages their accounts.

b.) Insurance; We need to have a bank account set up prior to depositing monies we received for insurance. Mary Wheeler commented that we will need a revised quote at that time due to the elapsed time.

c.) Resort Tax Request: The Park District request from Resort Tax was approved for \$2,000 in June. This money was approved for insurance and for administrative costs.

d.) Newspaper article giving status to community: Jessie reported that she spoke with the papers about a newspaper article but that they were more interested in getting something in the paper when there was more news. Mary suggested trying to get into the paper that we have a Madison County vacancy and that we received resort tax funding.

e.) Logo, letterhead: Steve Johnson presented the logo from Pruitt designs and Jessie Wiese suggested changing the word "Big Sky" for "Trails Recreation Parks". Steve Johnson did not agree.

f.) Funding Sources for potential application: Jessie Wiese commented that she would make a spreadsheet for the next meeting. Steve Young commented that a goal setting session would be good and that we should consider discussing signage at that time.

g.) Forest Service easement status: Jessie Wiese reported that she has received a couple of emails from the Forest Service and other partners on this project and has been present on a conference call. The Forest Service is currently working hard to address all comments from the public comment period. The Gallatin Collaborative is also still in the works – it was suggested that the park district stay involved with this and check their website.

5. **New Business:**

a.) **Nomination & Election of Officers:** Mary Wheeler reported that the March meeting was the renewal meeting for the board. Steve Young made a motion to re-elect Mary Wheeler as the Chair, Steve Johnson as the vice chair and Jessie Wiese as the secretary/treasurer. Jessie Wiese seconded.

b.) **Annual Budget Submission to County Commissions:** July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014: Mary Wheeler reported that we need to submit a budget it to the county and Mary said we need to send the Resort Tax budget to the county as our budget for the year. Steve Johnson was requested to do this.

6. **Date of Next Meeting:** September 12, 2013

7. **Announcements :** no announcements

8. **Adjournment:** The meeting was Adjourned at 10:22 am.

Mary Wheeler, Chair Mary Wheeler Jessie Wiese, Secretary JW