

***Our vision is to be the best resource for business assistance, through collaborations and partnerships, for all communities within and surrounding Glacier County.***

Glacier County Regional Port Authority  
August 2024 Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday August 15,2024  
Village Restaurant

- I. Present –Rod C., John O., Mike Schultz, Skye Gillam Absent/Excused – Ken Hoyt, Neal Bartleson, Tom McKay, Kim Stoltz, Tony Sitzman

II. Call to Order – Meeting called to order by Rod. at 5:24 pm

A. Skye moved, seconded by John, to approve the August agenda. Motion carried.

B. Motion to accept July,2024 minutes by John. Second Rod- Motion carried.

C. Mike moved, seconded by John, to approve the 2024 year end financials. Motion carried.

D. Skye moved, seconded by John, to accept the 2025 preliminary budget. Motion carried.

E. Mike moved, John seconded to approve July 2024 expense budget with the corrected amount of \$64,775

F. Motion by Mike and seconded by Skye to remove “bills to present” from future agenda items as they are reflected in the budget report. Motion carried

G. Correspondence-

Letters sent to 2024 scholarship recipients requesting payment address for schools they will be attending for payment. Return was received from Peyton Milendar. Rod will follow up for Lateesha Gobert

III. Old Business

A. New logos (3) were ordered from Barbie Alvastad of Shelby-they will be completed this week she advised

B. Motion made by John, seconded by Mike to spend \$2332 for half of the Cut Bank billboard to be installed east of Cut Bank. Future plans will be made for another billboard for Glacier County to be installed on Skye Gillam property south of Browning. Motion carried

C. Rod will type an explanation letter to Glacier County businesses asking for volunteer participation in the GCPA proposed “Business of the Month” promotion. Businesses randomly drawn will featured as the business of the month with a \$100 gift card for their business to be given away and used in their business courtesy of the GCPA. Motion made by Mike, seconded by Skye to initiate this promotion. Motion carried

D. Motion made by Mike, seconded by John to put the GCPA cell phone in suspension until such time the phone is again required. Cost will go from \$113/month to \$28/month

IV. New Business

A. The new meeting place for the Browning meetings will now be the Glacier County Satellite office. Motion made by John, seconded by Mike . Motion carried

B. Cut Bank chamber has declined our offer to share office space with them –Cut Bank meetings will remain in our current location

- C. Motion made BY Mike, seconded by John to renew appointment for Tony Sitzman as Glacier County representative to GCPA for a 4 yr term. Motion carried
- D. Motion made by John seconded by Skye to renew appointment for Ken Hoyt as Browning representative to GCPA for a 4 yr term. Motion carried
- E. Motion made by Mike seconded by John to renew appointment of Tom McKay as Browning representative to GCPA for a 4 yr term. Motion carried
- F. Officer elections-tabled until September meeting
- G. Tash Wisemiller-Rural Community Development Initiative Grant tabled until further information is gathered.
- H. Strategic planning session to be initiated and discussed at Jan. 2025 meeting

VI. Activity Reports

Browning-Open house /registration schedule for BCC

East Glacier Park-

Babb/St Mary-

Cut Bank-Fun days at airport August 16-18

Fun Fest sponsored by Marketplace on Main scheduled Sept 14

Sweetgrass-Annual meeting August 27-Location to be announced

VII. Public Comment – none

VIII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned by ROD at 8:30pm. The next meeting will take place September 19 at Glacier County Satellite office-Browning 2pm

***The mission of the Glacier County Regional Port Authority is to promote, stimulate, and advance the general welfare, commerce, economic development, and prosperity of its region.***