

Glacier County Regional Port Authority  
Tentative November Board Meeting Minutes  
November 19, 2020, GCRPA Office & Zoom, Cut Bank, MT

- I. Roll Call
  - A. Present: Tom McKay, Mike Wineman, Tony Sitzmann, Pat Murphy, Michael Schultz, Neal Bartleson, Fred Greco, Skye Gilham
  - B. Absent and Excused: Ken Hoyt
  - C. Guests: Sarah Converse, Sean McGuire, Corey Hageman, JR Myers, Nathan St. Goddard, Sanford Stone, Doug Loring
- II. Call to Order – Meeting called to order by Fred at 2:00 p.m.
  - A. Mike W moved, seconded by Tom to approve the November agenda. Motion carried.
  - B. Tony moved, seconded by Mike W to approve the October minutes. Motion carried.
  - C. Mike S moved, seconded by Tom to accept the October financials. Motion carried.
  - D. Pat moved, seconded by Neal to approve the current budget. Motion carried.
  - E. Bills to present – No bills were presented. Brenda announced that a holiday advertisement had been approved to purchase for the Pioneer Press.
  - F. Correspondence was received by Cut Bank Trails. No action was taken.
- III. Economic Development Fund Application and Presentation by Nathan St. Goddard of Johnson’s of St. Mary. Vote to be taken during December meeting.
- IV. Old Business
  - A. McCauley Overpass
    1. Further communication has taken place with Butch Gillespie, who feels he has the information that he needs to proceed with legislation. Butch will keep us updated.
  - B. 501c3 update – all information with Secretary of State is complete, and a rough draft of IRS Form 1023 has begun.
  - C. Eastern Corridor and Struggling Businesses – 3<sup>rd</sup> Round of Business Stabilization Funding has been communicated. However, new applications will not be accepted – recipients of first and second round are automatically eligible. As with Rounds 1 & 2, funding must be utilized by December 31, 2020.
- V. New Business
  - A. Folklore Coffee EDF Application
    1. Additional revenue information included, at Board’s request
    2. Pat moved, seconded by Mike W to approve the \$2000 Economic Development Award. Discussion from Skye, making certain before awarding that the Rose Petal and Folklore are indeed two separate entities. Motion carried.
  - B. Glacier Historical Museum – first quarterly loan payment received
- VI. Strategic Planning Session – covered in IV – B and IV – C
- VII. Activity Reports
  - A. Browning Community – In conjunction with BCC, a parade of lights is in planning stages for 12/17/20, as long as COVID guidelines are followed. We will be kept up to date.
  - B. Cut Bank Area Chamber of Commerce – Parade of Lights on Friday – judges still needed. Trees being sold and refreshments served at the Rose Petal. Small Business Saturday on November 28, with a reminder to support our local businesses.
  - C. Sweetgrass Development – Hired and introduced new employees, Sean McGuire and Corey Hageman. Explanation of Business Stabilization Round 3.
  - D. GFDA – N/A

- VIII. Public Comment
  - A. Update from Fred on health situation
  - B. Christmas Market at the Central Avenue Dance Studio, featuring Doug Loring's products, along with other local vendors.
- IX. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned by Fred at 2:46. Next meeting to take place on December 17 at 2:00 p.m. Venue contingent on COVID19 regulations.

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