

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
Tentative February Board Meeting Agenda
February 16, 2023, 2:00 p.m., GCRPA Office, Cut Bank, MT and via Zoom

- I. Roll Call
- II. Call to Order
 - A. February Agenda
 - B. January Minutes
 - C. December Financials, January Financials
 - D. Current Budget
 - E. Bills to Present
 - F. Correspondence
- III. Old Business
 - A. Board Applications received for Vacant positions
 - 1. Action on six (6) applications received
 - B. Human Rights Bureau Case No. 00220154, Port Authority Case No. CV-22-81-GF-BMM-JTJ Updates
 - C. Loan Application Draft
 - D. Special District Insurance Coverage Update – Email correspondence with Leavitt on 2/13/23. They are continuing their search for companies who represent Port Authorities.
 - E. Economic Development Day – Helena – Brenda did not attend. Covered City Council and County Commission Meeting instead.
 - F. Other Old Business
- IV. New Business
 - A. Discuss Reimagining Rural Montana – Cut Bank Community Involvement Expo on April 27, 2023.
 - 1. History of other communities that have come together to help their small towns thrive with their eligible projects.
 - 2. Cut Bank Reimagining Rural request
 - B. Northern Transit Interlocal matching grant funds – discuss
 - C. Other New Business
- V. Strategic Planning Session
 - A. Study Board positions, new and current, for dates of when positions will expire. Our organizations must be more prepared in the future.
 - B. EDF request for February postponed until March meeting. Two presentations can be scheduled if Board allows.
- VI. Activity Reports
 - A. Browning – BCC is offering HISET prep classes for testing in the spring. The contact for prep classes is Gordon Bennett at Gordon.b@bfcc.edu. The contact for test registration is Cheryl Madman at cmadman@bfcc.edu. BCC will be holding a career fair on April 13, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
 - B. East Glacier Park – The Blackfeet Business Pitch-In Night will take place on April 12, 2023 from 5:30-8:00p.m. at the Peak Restaurant.

- C. Babb/St. Mary – The Cattle Baron had a successful weekend of Valentine dining and live music on 2/10-11, and will be open again on Valentine’s Day.
 - D. Cut Bank – The District GBB/BBB Tournament will be in CB February 16-18. The Cut Bank Creek Brewery & Simple Eats will extend business hours for tournament. Northwest Distributors, LLC has opened at Marketplace on Main for UPS/FedEx shipping and receiving, as well as other services. The Cut Bank Area Chamber of Commerce is planning their annual banquet for April 29, and is looking for nomination for Citizen of the Year. Nominations are due by March 8. The chamber will hold their annual meeting on February 15 at noon. The next First Friday Event is March 3.
 - E. Sweetgrass Development – Protecting economic development interests at the MT Legislative Session, Economic Development Day with preceding networking reception, attending MACo conference, moving forward with EPA on clean-up of Glacier Hotel. Sweetgrass had their Q1 Board Meeting on January 26.
- VII. Public Comment – Please keep to three minutes. Should you require more, please email glacierportauthority@gmail.com
- VIII. Adjournment – The next meeting will take place on March 16, 2023, 2:00 p.m. at the Medicine Spring Library on the BCC Campus in Browning, MT, and via Zoom.

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.