

Glacier County Regional Port Authority  
Tentative Annual Meeting Minutes  
June 17, 2021, Leo's Elkhorn Eatery, East Glacier Park, MT

- I. Roll Call
  - A. Present: Mike Wineman, Pat Murphy, Tony Sitzmann, Skye Gilham (arrived late), Ken Hoyt.
  - B. Absent/excused: Tom McKay, John Overcast, Neal Bartleson, Fred Greco
  - C. Guests: Carole Schutt, Corey Hageman, Sean McGuire, Sarah Converse, Shane Broesder, Vicky Hoyt
- II. Call to Order – Meeting called to order by Tony at 4:03
  - A. Pat moved, seconded by Mike to approve June agenda. Motion carried.
  - B. Mike moved, seconded by Pat to approve May minutes. Motion carried.
  - C. Pat moved, seconded by Mike to approve May financials. Motion carried.
  - D. Ken moved, seconded by Pat to approve the current budget. Motion carried.
  - E. Bills to present from HP.com for printer ink, and from Pay.gov (IRS) for the 501(c)(3) application fee.
  - F. Correspondence – a note of appreciation was read from scholarship recipient, Grace Rooney.
- III. Old Business
  - A. McCauley Overpass update. Tabled until signage can be provided more cost effectively.
  - B. 501(c)(3) Application has been submitted.
  - C. Announcement of scholarship winners
  - D. Business 101 Training – Business Development with Sweetgrass Development, NACDC, and Glacier County Regional Port Authority
    1. June 24<sup>th</sup> session at Glacier Peaks Hotel Conference room is full. Another session has been added on July 14<sup>th</sup> and is also full.
- IV. New Business
  - A. Annual Election of Officers – Pat motioned to freeze nominations on Chair and Secretary/Treasurer, and to appoint Mike Wineman to Vice Chair. Ken seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.
  - B. Simple Projected Budget – tabled until final June numbers, as well as cost of memorial signage.
  - C. Executive Director Evaluation – Evaluations were provided with stamped envelopes to send back to Chairman Fred Greco
- V. Strategic Planning – Training session on August 19<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-5:00 in lieu of meeting.
- VI. Activity Reports
  - A. Browning Community – Potholes, water issues are being repaired. Encampment will begin on July 6 for the Celebration of Healing. We all look forward to 2022 Native American Indian Days.
  - B. Cut Bank Area Chamber of Commerce – Banquet has been cancelled. The “Public Drug” buyers are very motivated and waiting on results from the Mercantile building.
  - C. Sweetgrass Development – Quarterly Board Meeting on Wednesday, June 23 at 2:00. Department of Commerce Director Osterman will be present to speak and answer questions. Sean McGuire and Corey Hageman introduced to group. Shelby won the \$1000 prize for the community who turned in the most surveys from Sweetgrass Development. ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) grants upcoming for those looking for

gap financing. Sean thanked the Glacier County Regional Port Authority for the website ideas, in building a new site for Sweetgrass Development.

- D. GFDA – NA
- VII. Public Comment – Discussion as to what Glacier County’s plans might be for the ARPA funds. The Montana Association of Counties currently has the allocations. Deadline to commit funds is 2024 and 2026 to allocate funds.
- VIII. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 4:50 by Tony.
  - A. Next meeting will take place on July 22, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. at the GCRPA office in Cut Bank.

***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.***