Annual Meeting Minutes

Beaverhead Trails Coalition

Law Enforcement Annex

January 23rd, 2020

BOD members present: Craig Simonsen, vice-president; Joyce Connors, treasurer; Ed Mooney; Dan Pence; Pam Laursen

BTC Director present: Absent

BTC members and guests present: Betty Mooney; Michael Mhoon; Bob Pfister

Convened at 5:30 pm by Craig;

1. **Approve previous meeting minutes**

* November 21st : Motion to approve the minutes by Bob, Betty Mooney seconds. No abstentions or opposition. Approved.
* December 19th: Motion to approve the minutes by Bob, Betty Mooney seconds. No abstentions or opposition. Approved.

1. **Treasurer report**

* **Joyce’s report for December 2019**

Total bank accounts: $50,955.42

Unrestricted: $13,430 (General: $7,208.61 - Kendeda: $6,221.53)

Restricted: $37,525

Land: $612,734

Total assets: $663,689.67

December Income: $ 1,685.00 (Membership, donations)

December Expense: $ 3,400.20

Net income: $ -1,715.20

2019 Income: $116,301

2019 Expense: $48,011

2019 Net Income: $68,290 (what we paid for the last piece of land)

* **Membership count as per January 23rd :**

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| total membership: | | | 91 | total members: | | 119\* |
|  | Patrons: | 37 | | |  | |  |
|  | Businesses: | 3 | | |  | |  |
|  | Family: | 28 | | |  | |  |
|  | Single: | 23 | | |  | |  |

*\*Note: a family membership counts for 2 members*

Note: Memberships dropped compared to December (100 memberships for 131 members) because many people have not renewed yet.

1. **Grant Updates**

**Steele Reese Foundation:**applied for another $15,000 to put towards the HT project. Can be unrestricted and used for anything pertaining to the project.

**State Farm:**National and local funding directed towards Safety... auto and roadway safety. This one was submitted late October, and we asked for $25,000. Noble Av middle and south section. Waiting to hear back. Will hear by the end of March

**United Way:**asking for funds for WSB and Pigtail Trail maintenance

*Project 1 - Pigtail:* $1030 for bridge paint and signs sealer. (note: Joyce already has a five-gallon container to paint the bridge. Last time we actually hired someone to do the painting, because it's some caustic stuff and over a waterway.). Parke Scott might donate the gravel?

*Project 2 - WSB:* $330/year for 3-4 years. It would be used for the lunch meeting in the Fall, ending meeting in the Spring, printing expenses, and prizes for the kids.

\* Due Jan. 31 – Celine will still be out of town so the application might have to be signed by Dan D and dropped off at the United Way office. Joyce will get Dan’s signature after final changes and get a copy to United Way.

**BCBS:**BCBS is now open. It's first come first serve, so I'll get started on this one as well. Kathleen is pretty sure it will be similar as last year, except it will be updated with our progress and new goals. She needs to know an amount to ask for, we are going to ask for organizational expenses, as they are one of the few funders that will do as such.

Motion to ask for$10,000 for organizational expenses by Michael Mhoon, seconded by Ed Mooney. All in favor. Approved.

**Cinnabar:**Cinnabar is now open, due March 31. I believe we were going to ask for funding for fencing on HT land?

**AARP Liveable Communities Grant** - we will apply for this one again for Noble Ave. With showing the progress that was made this summer, it increases the likelihood of funding, being close to the end. The only hitch is the project would have to be done by Nov. of 2020. Due date April 17th. Ed and Kathleen partner on this one. Subject to funds received from State Farm

1. **Election of board members**

Notice was sent to the Tribune, and posted on our website and social media. A link to the “Policy on Board Of Directors” was attached to all meeting announcements.

Election of board members: two positions are opened: Joyce’s and Pat’s

*Reminders:*

*Craig and Dan P elected in January 2019*

*Ed, Pam and Dan D re-elected in January 2018*

Ed Mooney nominated Joyce Connors and Pat Carrick, Michael Mhoon seconded. Joyce and Pat were reelected to the board.

1. **Noble avenue**

* Update from Ed on bidding process: Contractor meeting was yesterday. Five contractors attended from Hamilton, Belgrade, Kalispell, and Dillon. Ed met with Mike Beka at the golf course about the ditch, etc.
* Bids open on February 7, 2020 at 2:00 pm at the courthouse.

1. **High Trails**

* Celine was asked permission to shed hunt on our land – Replied it was ok as long as done on or near existing trails.
* Powerlines reported by Larry Skiles update: Joyce tried to contact Larry without success. Neither she nor Ed could find the problem.

1. **Other business**

* **Cornell Park:** Dan had a teleconference call. We will need to have it appraised for the transfer to take place. We do not have funding for the survey or appraisal or plat review, so two things: Zach Owen from Beaverhead Watershed Committee will look and see if he can find any funding and we will look into funding, too. Hopefully, it would be for the appraisal and rehabilitation. Dan and I talked about contacting LOR, since it's on a waterway.

We have not asked Tim Speyer about using Raven Perch’s funds.

* **Earth Day:** April 25th. BTC clean-up team and table. We need volunteers.
* **Wednesday Work Days** will start in April
* **Selway Park:** Park needs a work evening for replanting and weeding; Joyce and Mike put the new sign up and installed the old one on the back of it. Joyce has table, it will need to be cemented. We need to order a bike rack.
* Ask about Feb 27th – Mt Nonprofit Association Seminar – ask Board
* Craig reported on Meeting with Corinne Wellborn regarding Grazing Lease.

Grazing lease is due on February 10th - $3,500 - $10/day late fee

* Our partner, Future West, is inviting anyone interested in becoming a community catalyst to its workshop at Fairmont Hot Springs, Feb 13 – 14: “How to be a Community Catalyst – Creating Place Based Solutions to Community Challenges in the High Divide.”

BTC's president, Dan Downey, is featured as a guest speaker.

1. **Next meeting**

Tentatively Thursday February 20th – 5:30pm at Sheriff’s annex. Room is reserved. Adjourn

Meeting over at 6:50 pm

Adjourned