Beaverhead Trails Coalition

Monthly Meeting Minutes July 22nd, 2021

Opening

The regular meeting of the Beaverhead Trails Coalition was called to order at 5:30pm on July 22nd, 2021 at the Dillon Sherriff's annex room by Pres. Dan Downey.

Present

BOD members present: Ed Mooney, Adrienne Bull, Craig Simonsen, Pam Laursen, Dan Pence, and Dan Downey

BTC Director present: Breanne Smith

BTC members and guests present: Bill Laursen, Pete Wakeman, and Pat Carrick

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the July meeting were motioned by Bill and seconded by Dan Pence to be approved.

Treasurer Report

Joyce's report for May 2021

Total bank accounts: \$ 55,640.12 Unrestricted: \$ 33,915.61 Restricted: \$ 21,102.96 Land: \$ 710,234.25 Total assets: \$ 765,874.37

May Income: \$ 996.05 (Membership, donations)

<u>May Expense:</u> \$ 739.00 (Payroll, supplies) Net income: \$ 257.05 (YTD: \$ 10,595)

Membership count as per August 1st:

total membership: 118 total members: 138*

Patrons: 67

Businesses: 6

Family: 20

Single: 25

*Note: a family membership counts for 2 members

Grant Updates

Received

- Montana Chapter AARP gave \$2350 for signage
- Steele-Reese gave \$5000 to Noble Avenue

Applied for

- Quadratec \$3500 for Arborist work will hear from them soon
- Union Pacific application was submitted for \$8000

Town and Country Jars: Still going on

State Farm rejected

FWP will take care of the septic at Cornell Park

Pronghorn Pursuit Run (August 7)

- The race is being advertised on Facebook and runner's websites
- They need a few more volunteers for the course and registration the afternoon before the race (at Patagonia).
- 14 registrants so far
- It was noted that some trail maintenance may need to be done before the race

Pigtail Connector: The bridge was stained, and need to stain additional sign

High Trails

- The BOD unanimously agreed to not renew the grazing lease with Ben Pauley.
 An official letter was sent to him asking for an action plan to remedy deficiencies within 30 days of receipt.
- New bench site: There has been a recommendation to name it Blacktail Overlook. The BOD will consider this.

Noble Avenue: Ed did some maintenance on the north end

Walking School Bus

- Jamie Flynn is interested in coordinating again
- A luncheon for volunteers will be held in August
- Todd Hazelbaker offered to paint the crossings since this did not happen in June

Other Business

- It was suggested the BOD consider dedicating a bench or trail in memory of Mike Connors
- It was suggested to investigate a digital counter for the trailhead since hikers often do not register. It would be good to have a more accurate count of trail usage.
- It was suggested that MYC students could be asked to participate in a couple of work days in the fall (September, October).

Next Meeting

August 26th, 2021 – 5:30pm at the Sherriff's annex

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm by Pres. Dan Downey. Note: The Sherriff's annex conference room has been reserved for every meeting (3rd Thursday of each month) until the end of the year.

Minutes submitted by Pam Laursen, secretary