

Blue Water Task Force Board of Directors Meeting
March 29, 2006, 3:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Jon Holtzman called the meeting to order at 3:05. Also present were directors Mindy Nowakowski, Ron Edwards, Mary Jane McGarity, and Kevin Germain, and Executive Director Katie Alvin. Absent were Eric Becker, Brad Parsch, and Caroline Henley.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Mindy moved and Mary Jane seconded to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously. Mindy suggested that in future minutes we include a list absent members of the board, and be sure to have a motion for adjournment.

Financial Report: The financial report was given by Katie and acknowledged by the board. Account Balance & Transactions Report and Budget Update are attached.

3. **Guests:**

- a. Kathy Gallagher: Groundwater Study Proposal (summary attached): The board discussed the proposal at length but felt that it was too short notice to put in front of the Resort Tax Board this year. Specific tasks to complete before sponsoring the project include:
 1. Get more information about other similar studies and the expected products from such studies
 2. Work on creating a community consensus around the need for such a study
 3. Possibly divide the project into smaller chunks
 4. Look for other partner sponsors, like Water/Sewer District or Water Quality District, if one is createdThe board tabled the discussion until these tasks can be completed.

4. **Old Business:**

- a. TMDL update:
 - i. *No subcontractor progress reports*
 - ii. **ACTION ITEM:** Discuss flow measurement bids: Ron moved and Mindy seconded to approve the bid with Confluence if we can get the cost within \$10,000. Otherwise we'll go with MSU. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Fundraising & Volunteer engagement: Sketch out a plan: The board tabled this discussion for the next meeting.
 - i. Discuss existing environmental programs in the area
 - ii. Go over structure ideas
 - iii. Outreach event: Realtor education?
 - iv. Fundraising opportunities
- c. Sampling Schedule: The Task Force will do another sampling day on June 16 in conjunction with the Whitewater Festival.

5. **New Business:**

- a. Gallatin River Whitewater Festival, June 16-17: FYI they will be taking donations for the Task Force. We will have a booth at the Friday evening event and all day on Saturday.
- b. Resort Tax application: Mindy and Mary Jane will help Katie with the application.
- c. Katie's schedule & leave: Katie requested to travel to Denver for a family illness. She can work remotely. The board was willing to allow for the request.

6. **Open Discussion:** None

7. **Adjournment:** Mary Jane moved and Mindy seconded to adjourn at 4:50. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Katie Alvin

Approved by: _____

Date: _____