

Blue Water Task Force Board of Directors Meeting
June 22, 2007 9:00 AM
Geyser

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Jon Holtzman at 9:05 a.m. Also in attendance were directors Mindy Nowakowski, Mary Jane McGarity, Eric Becker, Sue Barton, Ron Edwards; and Executive Director, Kristin Gardner. Absent were Caroline Henley and Kevin Germain.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Mary Jane moved and Mindy seconded to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Financial Report**
 - a. Accept unaudited monthly reports: Mary Jane moved and Mindy seconded to approve the unaudited monthly reports. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Resort Tax allocations: Kristin reported on the Big Sky Resort Tax allocations to the Blue Water Task Force (BWTF). BWTF received \$67,230 in allocations, which includes all of the operating expenses (\$33,730) plus half of the \$67K in match applied for (\$33,730).
4. **Old Business**
 - a. Kevin's Resignation/Board Membership: Kevin Germain resigned from the board and recommended he be replaced by Simon Trautman from Moonlight. Mindy moved and Sue seconded to approve Simon Trautman, Jack Crowther, and Paul Wagner for new positions on the board. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Fundraising update: Jon has not followed through with our major donors. He will continue to pursue with the Yellowstone Club foundation.
 - c. Flow project update
 - i. New subcontract with Confluence: Kristin reported that she has been working closely with Confluence and Pete Schade to negotiate a new contract with Confluence for the flow project. Jon suggested that we do a press release on the flow project. Mary Jane suggested that we have an informational booth at the reception following the BSOA Annual Meeting on Friday, August 31.
 - d. TMDL update
 - i. Phase 3: Mary Jane moved and Sue seconded to execute a new contract for Phase 3 of the TMDL project with the DEQ. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **New Business**
 - a. Junior Leadership Program groundwater service project with BWTF: Kristin reported that she is working with the Junior Leadership Program of

Camp Big Sky to collect groundwater samples throughout the summer. Each participant (8- 5th thru 9th graders) is expected to collect water samples and perform groundwater surveys at 10 wells with an incentive to collect samples from private wells. She spent Thursday morning with the group and performed a few demonstrations and experiments on the topic of groundwater, groundwater movement and its potential contamination.

- b. Kristin requests permission for the following events:
 - i. Montana Watershed Coordination Council (MWCC) Fundraising Workshop – August 1, 2007: Sue moved and Mary Jane seconded permission for Kristin to participate in the MWCC Fundraising Workshop. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Interpretive trail along the Middle Fork/ Community Park: Kristin reported that she has met with the Assistant Director about collaboration with BSI and BSOA for development of an interpretive trail on the trail along the middle fork of the new community park. She will collaborate with BSI to obtain funding for the interpretive trail. Potential topics include: watershed connections, water quality, and riparian and benthic habitat.
- d. New office contact info:
 - 50 Meadow Village Drive, Suite 201 (Across from Post Office)
 - (406) 993-2519

6. Upcoming Events

- a. Float Trip - Friday June 22 10:00 am at Geyser
- b. Kristin's Leave: June 25 - July 13.
- c. Next Board meeting date: Wednesday, July 25th at 4pm.
- d. County Fair: August 11

7. **Open Discussion:** Jon suggested that he and Kristin meet when she is back from her leave to work on a public outreach plan.

8. **Adjournment:** Mary Jane moved and Mindy seconded to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.