

**Blue Water Task Force Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012 4 PM**  
**Big Sky Water and Sewer District**  
**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order:** BWTF Vice Chair Jack Crowther called the meeting to order at 4:15 pm. Also in attendance were directors Nancy Sheil and Ron Edwards. Absent were directors Sue Barton, Eric Becker, Jon Holtzman, Mike Richter, and San Schwalbe. In addition, Big Sky Watershed Corps Member, Alicia DeGroot was in attendance.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Ron moved and Nancy seconded to approve the minutes from 08-14-12. Jon and Sue voted to approve via email. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Financial Report:** Ron moved and Nancy seconded to approve the financial report from 09-26-12. Jon and Sue voted to approve via email. Motion carried unanimously. Ron asked Kristin to update her contract for the next board meeting.
4. **New Business**
  - a. Annual Report (Kristin): Kristin is going to set up a meeting with Outlaw to design and produce an annual report. Ron suggested contacting BSOA to see who produces their annual report to get another bid. Kristin working on obtaining two bids for the annual report before the next board meeting.
5. **Old Business**
  - a. River Cleanup (Kristin): The cleanup this Saturday will focus on turnouts and fishing access points between Spanish and Porcupine Creeks. Alicia solicited prize donations from the Hungry Moose, Milkie's, and Simms.
  - b. Big Sky Watershed Corps Program (Kristin): The BWTF was officially accepted into the 2012-2013 BSWC program. Alicia's term will run from October 1<sup>st</sup> – August 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. Stormwater Garden Update (Kristin): The irrigation for the stormwater garden was installed earlier in the month. Kristin is going to meet with San to develop a budget. As soon as a budget is developed, Kristin and San will present the garden to the school board and Alicia and Kristin will begin working on a plant donation program.
  - d. September water quality sampling event (Alicia): Alicia collected water quality data on 9/13/12. No red flags were seen in the data.
  - e. 2011-2012 Macroinvertebrate report (Alicia): Rhithron completed a report for the 2011-2012 Macroinvertebrate collection. Macroinvertebrates were collected in September and April at the following sites: Park, Up, Down2, West (only March), and Beaver Creek (only September). Macroinvertebrate populations suggested mild nutrient enrichment and sediment deposition at Down2 and sediment deposition at West.
  - f. Watershed Restoration Plan Public Information Piece (Kristin): Karen expects to have completed a first draft of the WRP pamphlet by October 11<sup>th</sup>.

Kristin and Karen will work on a first round of edits and then send it out to the board.

- g. Snowmaking Study Update (Ron): Ray has completed a first draft of the final report for the pilot snowmaking study.

## **6. Upcoming Events**

- a. Upper Gallatin River Cleanup September 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30pm at Big Sky Community Park Pavilion
- b. October 11-12 Montana American Water Resources Association Annual Meeting at Fairmont Hot Springs
- c. October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm Missouri Headwaters Partnership Annual Potluck at Twin Bridges High School
- d. Stormwater Garden Dig Day (October weekend)
- e. Next board meeting date: Kristin will send out a meetomatic to schedule the next board meeting.

## **7. Open Discussion**

## **8. Adjournment**