

Blue Water Task Force Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, April 2nd, 2012 4 PM
Big Sky Water and Sewer District
MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Jon Holtzman called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm. Also in attendance were directors Jack Crowther, San Schwalbe, Eric Becker, and Ron Edwards. Absent was director Nancy Sheil and Mike Richter. Big Sky Watershed Corps Member, Alicia DeGroot attended the meeting.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Jack made a motion to approve the minutes from March 5th, 2013 and Ron seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Financial Report:** Ron made a motion to approve the financial report and Jack seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **New Business**
 - a. Total Nitrogen Monitoring (Kristin): The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (MTDEQ) has changed the nitrogen criteria being used to judge impairment of streams. Nitrate nitrogen is no longer being used – only total nitrogen. This means that the BWTF should monitor for total nitrogen during the summer to be able to compare to state standards. Total nitrogen will have to be analyzed by an outside laboratory adding costs to the BWTF community water quality monitoring program. In addition to total nitrogen, the MTDEQ grant manager, Ann McCauley, suggested that we test for nitrate for comparison to historical data and have the nitrate samples analyzed at an outside laboratory to satisfy MTDEQ quality control guidelines. She also suggested testing for total phosphorous since it can contribute to algal growth. Kristin has applied for MTDEQ assistance to cover the extra cost and will add money to the resort tax application.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. Resort Tax Application (Kristin): The board decided to add money to fund Phase 1 of the stormwater garden. Kristin will update the application.
 - b. Annual Meeting (Kristin)
 - i. Location: Kristin will check school and community calendars for the last week of May, first week of June. Kristin will ask about food and beverage at the WMPAC and AV rental.
 - ii. Date: TBD
 - c. Big Sky Golf Course Restoration Plan (Kristin) Mike Rotar and Jeff Dunn from Atkins should have a proposal for a restoration plan for the Big Sky Golf Course
 - d. Water Quality Sampling Event (Alicia/Eric): Water quality sampling event went well – no red flags in the data.
 - e. Stormwater Garden (Kristin/San/Alicia)
 - i. Fundraisers
 - a. Mother's Day Sale (Kristin/Alicia/San): To date, we have 38 flower orders and orders are still trickling in. Should know final orders by the end of the week.

- b. Plant donation program (Alicia/San): Alicia and San have been working on a plant donation program. San will have a few trees set aside at the nursery. Alan McClain and Will Henslee have agreed to participate. No luck with the Bozeman nurseries. Ron suggested that we ask the construction firm to be hired to construct the new school to provide assistance with heavy machinery work.
- f. Fly Fishing Festival (Jon/Jack/Kristin): There was a meeting for the fly-fishing festival at 9 this morning. The film festival will kick off with the F3T fly-fishing film tour at the Lone Peak Theater followed on Sunday afternoon with a festival in Town Center. The festival will close with a dinner fundraiser for the BWTF on Sunday night.

2. Upcoming Events

- a. April 3rd: Resort Tax Applications Due
 - b. May 1st: YCCF applications due
 - c. Wednesday, May 8th 1pm: Resort Tax Q&A at Big Sky Chapel
 - d. May 9th: Pickup delivery day for Mother's day sale
 - e. Mid-May TBD: Golf course maintenance crew workshop
 - f. Wednesday June 12th 1pm: Resort Tax Appropriations at Big Sky Chapel
 - g. August 3rd/4th: Fly Fishing Festival
 - h. Next board meeting date: Wednesday, May 1st at 4pm.
- 3. Open Discussion:** Jon suggested that Kristin send a note to the board regarding the substantial increase in memberships with Jon and San's personal notes.
- 4. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.