

Blue Water Task Force Board of Directors Meeting
July 10th, 2014, 4pm
Big Sky Water and Sewer District
MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Jon Holtzman called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm. Other directors in attendance included Ron Bowlin, Ron Edwards, Mike Richter, Jack Crowther, and Nancy Sheil. Absent were directors Eric Becker and San Schwalbe. Also in attendance were BWTF staff, Kristin and Andrea, and Big Sky Watershed Corps member, Brandin Krempasky.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Ron made a motion and Mike seconded to approve the minutes from May 28th 2014. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **Financial Report:** Kristin presented the financial report. Ron made a motion and Jack seconded to approve the financial reports. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **New Business**
 - a. Organizational Documents
 - i. 2014-2015 Workplan (Kristin): Kristin presented the draft 2014-2015 workplan. Jack made a motion to accept the workplan and Mike seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
 - ii. 2014-2015 Budget (Kristin): Kristin presented the draft 2014-2015 budget. Ron E. made a motion to accept the workplan and Ron B. seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
 - iii. 2014-2015 Fundraising plan (Andrea): Andrea presented the draft 2014-2015 fundraising. Ron made a motion to accept the fundraising plan with the date changed to 2014-2015 and Jack seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
 - iv. Kristin's contract (Kristin): Kristin presented a draft 2014-2015 contract for her work with the BWTF. Jack made a motion to accept the contract and Ron seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. PBR (Kristin): The BWTF will be recipients of a 50/50 raffle at PBR on July 30th and 31st. Two to three volunteers are needed to sell raffle tickets starting at 5 pm until the rodeo starts at 7:30 pm. Jon volunteered for one night.
 - c. Stormwater drains (Kristin): Mike Richter witnessed someone dumping their hot tub water into a storm drain up at the Lake Condos. Kristin will research other options for emptying hot tubs as well as developing a storm drain stenciling projects with children. Nancy stated that the EPA has literature on storm drain projects. Jon suggested getting data on the pollutants in stormwater.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. Brewery BWTF FFF specialized beer/silipints (Andrea): Andrea presented the new BWTF Riparian Red beer and silipints. The beer will be sold at the Fly Fishing Festival and the brewery.
 - b. West Fork Nitrogen Reduction Project
 - i. West Fork Nitrogen Reduction Plan Draft (Kristin): Kristin reviewed a draft copy of the West Fork Nitrogen Reduction strategies that have been submitted to the DEQ for acceptance as

part of the current contract. The board suggested the following changes: 1) adding working with septic companies to promote maintenance schedules, 2) adding talking with HOA's about their landscaping requirements, 3) organizing a dog poop cleanup day, and, 4) correcting a few of grammatical errors. Kristin will make the suggested changes.

- a. Big Sky Golf Course consultant updates (Kristin): Kristin, Sam, and Jon met with Jeff Dunn from RESPEC to review their recommendations for vegetation enhancement on the Upper West Fork. Sam offered to do a lot of the ground work in house. Kristin, Ron, Jon, and Sam met with AE2S on June 25th. They had numerous recommendations for improving wastewater management. Kristin will follow up with them next week with a conference call. HKM has not started their examination for potential upgrades to the irrigation system or plant improvements but will start with a site visit in a couple of weeks. Kristin met with MTDEQ 319 Grant manager, Ann McCauley, and she suggested only applying for 319 funds for the vegetation enhancement work on the Upper West Fork but to also include the other projects as potential match to show that the community is working together on the nitrogen problem.
- c. Big Sky Fishing Festival (Andrea/Kristin)
 - i. Overview
 - a. Banquet: Sat July 26th 6:30 pm at the Riverhouse. Tickets are \$75. Jack recruited Carol McClerkin to make a painting of a fisherman and the Gallatin landscape.
 - b. Outdoor Event: July 27th 12 to 4 pm at Town Center Park. Vendors will include Eastslope Outdoors, Gallatin Riverguides, Grizzly Outfitters, Yellowstone Park Foundation, Montanans for Healthy Rivers, Yellow Dog, Sweetgrass Rods, Montana Living, Invasive Species Action Network, and the BWTF. Other events include casting clinics, competitions, river tours, and live music.
 - c. F3T Film: July 27th 5/ 8 pm showing at Lone Peak Cinema.
 - d. Wastewater Solutions Forum (Jon/Ron): The forum held its first meeting in a year and a half on July 2nd. There was good attendance. There was agreement that the group should keep meeting quarterly and work on updating objectives and future project focus.

6. Upcoming Events

- a. Wednesday, July 16th, 1pm: Meeting with Gallatin National Forest in Bozeman at district office.
- b. Wednesday, July 16th and 23rd: Big Sky Farmer's Market Booth 4pm set up. Market is from 5 to 8 pm in Town Center.
- c. July 22nd 11am - 2pm: Trout Friendly Landscaping Workshop at the Lone Peak Brewery.

- d. July 26 & 27th: Big Sky Fly Fishing Festival
- e. July 28th: Montana DEQ 319 Grants Due
- f. July 30th-31st: PBR – BWTF raffle
- g. July 31st: Big Sky Watershed Corps applications due
- h. August 5th&7th: BWTF educational program on rivers for Camp Moonlight
- i. August 11th: Presentation for the Gallatin Canyon Women’s Club
- j. Next board meeting date:

7. Open Discussion

8. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 6 pm.