



Big Sky Community Corporation

Friday, March 27, 2009 - 1:00 PM

	Agenda	Presenter	Action
1	Community Forum	John Leeper, Chair	--
2	Call to Order	John Leeper, Chair	--
3	February 13, 2009 Minutes	John Leeper, Chair	Approve
4	Financials as of 02/28/2009 a. IRS Update (MJ)	Clare Nixon, Treasurer	Accept
5	Chairman's Report a. Park Construction i. Contractor Selection b. Resort Tax Grant Applications i. Public Services (Annual) ii. Community Park Improvements iii. Pedestrian Tunnel Engineering iv. Parks and Recreation v. Operations (for discussion)	John Leeper, Chair Trever McSpadden John Leeper, Chair	Approve Motion/ Approve Motion/ Approve
6	Reports a. Parks (Lyndsey Kiland) b. Trails i. USFS Easement c. Historic Crail Ranch (Al Lockwood) d. Camp Big Sky (Katie Coleman) e. Tennis (Jacquie Persons) f. Softball (Eric Ladd) g. Arts Council (Park Related Updates) h. Others as present i. Contract Staff Report (Mary Jane)	Program Chairs as Present Steve Johnson	
7	Other		
8	Adjourn		

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Big Sky Community Corporation Board of Directors met on March 27, 2009 at 1:00 PM at the BSOA office in Big Sky. Directors in attendance included: John Leeper, Will Brunner, Clare Nixon, Trever McSpadden, Eric Ladd, Jon Ayres and Leslie Piercy. Jamy Patterson was not able to be in attendance. Committee Chairs in attendance were Steve Johnson (Trails), Katie Coleman (Camp Big Sky), and Jason Meyers (Disc Golf Course). Mary Jane McGarity (Executive Director of the BSCC), Krista Mach and Robin Hicks represented contract staff from the BSOA. Guests present were Justin Houser of Morrison Maierle (M-M) Engineering in Bozeman.

1. Community Forum: The community was offered the opportunity to comment during the community forum. There were no comments from the public.
2. Call to Order: John Leeper called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM.
3. February 13, 2009 Meeting Minutes: BSCC Secretary Trever McSpadden read the motions from the 11th Annual Meeting of the BSCC held on February 13, 2009. Clare Nixon made a motion to approve the February 13, 2009 minutes, seconded by Leslie Piercy. Motion unanimously carried.
4. Financials
Mary Jane reviewed the new report that will be part of the financials which illustrates all accounts. Mary Jane reported that a new CD was set up and that the money from BSOA for \$25,000.00 was booked. Motion by Leslie Piercy to approve the audited February 2009 financials; seconded by Eric Ladd. Motion unanimously carried.
5. Chairman's Report
 - a. Park Construction: Justin Houser, M-M Project Manager and Trever McSpadden, Park Construction Team Chair, gave a presentation on the Phase I Big Sky Community Park Construction final design and construction bid effort. The discussion detailed the process that recently concluded to select a recommended contractor for board approval. BSCC received 6 bids: 4 for the entire project and 2 partial bids. The park construction committee met on March 25th to review bids and focused on price, experience and location. With price and location relatively comparable for the 4 complete bids, the experience cited by Langlas/SIME (recently completed construction

of Cobb Field in Billings and MSU football field) gave them an advantage, they narrowed it down to 2 bids and then took a vote of the committee. The Langlas/SIME team was recommended to the board for selection. Trever McSpadden made a motion to accept the Langlas/SIME bid and to direct staff to move forward with contract negotiations as appropriate. Eric Ladd seconded. Discussion - Jon Ayres asked who the other companies were. Langlas, Boles Construction, Knife River and W Construction were the four complete bidders. Boles and Langlas were the 2 lowest bidders. They were all qualified but Langlas has built parks before and Boles has not. John Leeper asked Eric Ladd, Clare Nixon, Will Brunner and Leslie Piercy their opinion and they all supported the process. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Resort Tax Grant Applications

Staff presented the various grant requests suggested by BSCC program chairs and members of the Board for discussion including: Trash & Toilets; Pedestrian Tunnel Engineering; Parks and Recreation; and Phase I Improvements at the Community Park. Discussion followed. Jon Ayres suggested funding the park and then the tunnel. Trever McSpadden said that we need operations and maintenance as a first priority. Clare Nixon suggested shelving the pedestrian tunnel for a year and to focus on the park improvements as a priority. More discussion followed on whether the park improvements could be further phased. John Leeper suggested submitting all grant requests and allow the BSRAD Board to decide priorities for funding. Eric suggested that BSCC should ask Resort Tax for the full cost of the park improvements (less what has been earmarked to date via fundraising) and Trever McSpadden and Clare Nixon agreed. Eric Ladd suggested not spending any more money over in the park and save it all for Phase 1. Eric Ladd thought MDT could help with the tunnel project as it is a pedestrian safety issue.

Leslie Piercy made a motion to authorize staff to write and submit the following BSRAD grant applications for the 2009/2010 funding year:

1. Public Service (parks and trails maintenance) in an estimated amount of \$75,000.00
2. Community Park improvements in an estimated amount of \$1,410,000.00
3. Pedestrian Tunnel Engineering in an estimated amount of \$150,000.00

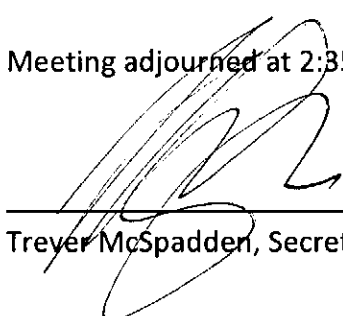
Trever McSpadden seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Reports

- a. Parks-Krista Mach reported that they had a meeting on March 25th and are going to do a 4th of July fundraiser with activities ongoing throughout the day.
- b. Trails-Steve Johnson-Trails Program has been busy with a variety of projects. Kircher Park work will resume in the spring. The Rotary Club has expressed interest to do a picnic area at Kircher Park. The Fuel reduction project at the Ousel Falls is complete with an article going in the papers soon. Mindy Nowakowski and been working on trails inventory and recording easements. The trail maps are being redesigned for this summer and will include a topo map with website references. Sponsorships are being solicited from local businesses and Trails Program hopes to include more area trails on the map. Maintenance on the Spur Road Trail is going to be a lot of work this spring. The trail to Ophir School needs to be rebuilt and the Yellow Mule trail needs work. Steve Johnson said that the trails committee is working on getting a trail to the mountain. Steve Johnson also noted that the BSCC will not be providing formal comment on the North Fork/Forest Service easement issue. Mary Jane McGarity said that the BSOA will also not be providing comment.
- c. Historic Crail Ranch- Summer Schedule is posted on the website. They are working on an archive project and their next step is to complete a physical inventory of ranch assets so a maintenance and repair schedule can be developed and funded.
- d. Camp Big Sky- Kate Coleman said that she is working on Camp Big Sky classes and the camp will run from June 22, 2009 to August 27, 2009. Mary Jane McGarity said that Liberty Mutual would not insure the camp for workers compensation so we had to go with State Fund. Big Sky Lift is considering a tuition offset grant to keep costs flat this year.
- e. Tennis- Mary Jane said that the Tennis Program applied for the USTA program grant for \$10,000. No word yet on the status of award.
- f. Softball- Eric Ladd said there will be a softball meeting next month and softball would start playing June 1, 2009 and they would be playing Sunday through Wednesday nights. The BSCC fundraiser is going to be July 10, 2009 at the 320 Ranch and we still need auction items from Tennis, Camp Big Sky and Arts Council.

- g. Arts Council- Leslie Piercy said they have all their Thursday evening concerts booked and are negotiating the headliner. The Chili Cook off is tentatively scheduled for the mountain this year.
7. Other John Leeper asked about the PBR in the park and Eric Ladd said this does not look good because it costs \$170,000 just to get the bleachers set up. Mary Jane talked about the Resort Tax and getting letters of support for the park from other businesses. Jason Meyers from disc golf said that they are ready to get going. We need to order the baskets so they here on time. The disc golf is going to have a league night on Sunday nights.
8. Adjourn - Eric Ladd made a motion, seconded by Will Brunner to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35pm



Trever McSpadden, Secretary