

Glacier County Regional Port Authority
Tentative March Board Meeting Minutes
March 19, 2020 GCRPA Office and Conference Call, Cut Bank, MT

- I. Roll Call
 - A. Present – Tom McKay, Ken Hoyt, Mike Wineman, Tony Sitzmann, Michael Schultz, Neal Bartleson, Fred Greco, Skye Gilham. Absent/Excused: Pat Murphy
 - B. Guests: Sarah Converse, JR Myers
- II. Call to Order – Meeting called to order by Fred at 2:00
 - A. Tom moved, seconded by Neal to accept the March agenda. Motion carried.
 - B. Tony moved, seconded by Tom to accept February's minutes. Motion carried.
 - C. Tony moved, seconded by Mike W to accept February's financials. Motion carried.
 - D. Mike S moved, seconded by Neal to approve the current budget. Motion carried.
 - E. A bill was presented from an attorney for two hours of time.
 - F. No correspondence
- III. Presentation by EDF Applicant – Douglas Loring of U Bet Betsy dba Natural Warrior
 - A. Vote to take place during April meeting
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Vote on EDF Application – Glacier Historical Museum. Tony moved, seconded by Neal to table the proposal. The museum board will be notified.
 - B. Big Sky Spray Foam, LLC – loan update. GCRPA will continue to take measures to recuperate the loss regarding the defaulted loan.
 - C. Supporting Success Scholarship – application delivered to Browning and Cut Bank High Schools, can be downloaded online, and is advertised in Glacier Reporter and Pioneer Press. With the COVID19 crisis, two weeks will be added to the due date.
 - D. Policies & Procedures – tabled
 - E. Memorial Project – Brenda will begin making contact regarding McCauley Overpass.
- V. New Business
 - A. Rich Gannon – Barbara Wold presentation – tabled
 - B. Discover Cut Bank – Mike W moved, seconded by Neal to continue the advertisement at the quoted price of \$375. A new ad will be created.
 - C. Update on EDF and Loan Applications awaiting presentation – It was encouraged by Board to encourage applicants to present their proposals, keeping in mind the current financial climate.
- VI. Strategic Planning – tabled
- VII. Activity Reports
 - A. Browning Community – none
 - B. Cut Bank Area Chamber of Commerce – JR Myers introduced as Chamber representative to the Port Authority.
 - C. NCMEDD – Sarah reported, regarding COVID19 crisis, national information coming out regarding communities, non-profits, etc. A conference call will take place to discern information that is being presented compared to information that is accurate. The SBA disaster loan program, although available, is a cumbersome process. Sarah encouraged everyone to communicate and share only accurate information, i.e. from Montana Economic Developers Association, buy gift certificates, check on neighbors, and wash hands.
 - D. GFDA – none

- VIII. Public Comment – JR reported that Glacier Community Health Center has separate entrances for those who are sick as opposed to well. An additional COVID19 testing site will be available at the former dental office on Central and 2nd St. as soon as possible.
- IX. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned by Fred at 3:20. Next meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2:00 p.m. at the Glacier County Satellite Office in Browning.

The mission of Glacier County Port Authority is to promote, stimulate, and advance the general welfare, commerce, economic development, and prosperity of its region.