

Musselshell Valley Community Foundation (MVCF)
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Monthly Board Meeting December 12, 2016
City Office, Roundup, MT

Board members present for the MVCF board meeting: Monty Sealey, Bill Milton, Kelly Gebhardt, Linda Picchioni, Darcy Dutton, Mike Morgan and Jay Newell. Absent: Roberta Hagstrom and Mark Rosebush.

The meeting was opened at 6:06 pm by President Kelly Gebhardt.

Guests: Nicole Borner

There were additions to the agenda by Bill M on Roundup Reach under board planning.

The date was incorrect on the previous minutes. So noted. A **motion** to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected was made by Sealey; Milton 2nd; motion carried.

Several people have been approached about becoming board members of MVCF. Nicole Borner expressed a willingness to serve on this board. She is also a county commissioner. Milton made a **motion** to place her name into nomination to be a board member of MVCF. Picchioni 2nd the motion; Gebhardt called for further nominations three times and then called for a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report: Jay presented the Treasurer's Report and Check Writer Report. Sealey asked for clarification on the Stage account. Jay reviewed our 10 page treasurer's report. Jay requested that we update our Quickbooks program. This will cost approximately \$75.00. Sealey **motioned** to pay the bills and accept the Treasurer's report. Dutton Seconded. Motion carried.

Swimmer's Forever was not present to give a report, they are meeting this week.

Grants Committee: There is \$10,403.85 to give out in grants in 2017. The first round of grants is due February 1st. Advertising of the grants will be in January. Dutton takes care of this.

Membership committee: Jay will get a recognition ad to the newspaper before the end of the month. We discussed the website. We will try to put our web address on agenda's etc. We were asked to look at the website. Discussion was held on how to acknowledge MVCF donors who also give to other organizations under the MVCF umbrella. Can all donations be combined? A **motion** was made by Sealey and Morgan 2nd to address recognizing cumulative giving to MVCF and the organizations it sponsors. Discussion on acknowledging MVCF members with an asterisk and when would this take place. It was decided that the membership committee will look into addressing this issue and bring a recommendation to the board this coming year.

RIDE: The committee is in the process of securing sponsors for the coming year.

A & C: no current report.

COMMUNITY STAGE: The chain hoist was purchased and building of the hoist housing will commence when the weather is warmer. They are looking at ways to place a barrier on the west end of the stage to prevent wind blowing through during performances. Borner recommended that this be addressed with a possible advertising grant that is available and could be applied for along with the county and city of park signage. She will look into the details and discuss with Sealey and Morgan.

MCRT: No report till late spring.

RCP: Volunteer hours for the 4th quarter will be gathered in January.

SEARCH & FIND: The committee to search and find a part time contracted employee to further the endeavors of the MVCF is developing a work plan and hopes to hire by April. MCF contribution and requirements was attached to the agenda; please review. Milton stated that a significant donor and some board members are pledging for the match of \$5,000.00. If you are interested, please contact Bill M. soon. Milton mentioned he was contacted by Blgs Comm. Foundation that they recently hired a part time employee who lives in Musselshell County.

Work Plan: Jay reviewed the work plan with the board. Most board members have returned or updated their Conflict of Interest notification.

Board Planning: Musselshell Watershed Coalition is requesting us to write a letter in support of a project that will clean up the run off from the old Jeffries Mine and the tipple. Questions were raised about the source of the funding for this project. Monty volunteered to write the letter on our behalf. It needs to be done by Thursday and given to Laura Nowlin.

Milton will be gone the next 3 months. Picchioni will help Gebhardt with the agenda.

Gebhardt adjourned the meeting at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda Picchioni - Secretary