

Beaverhead Trails Coalition Board of Directors Meeting
August 24th, 2023, 5:30 – 7:00pm

BTC Board Members Present: Dan Downey, Ed Mooney, Celine Beaucamp Stout, Pam Laursen, Joyce Connors, Alan Weltzien (telecommuted)

BTC Members Present: Cliff Stout, Bill Laursen, Larry Skiles, Stephen Sievert

BTC Executive Director Present: Brandon Parker

1. Call Meeting to Order 5:30
2. Review/Approve Minutes from the June 22nd, 2023, meeting, and July 20th meeting.
 - a. June minutes: minutes approved; motion carried.
 - b. July minutes: minutes approved; motion carried.
3. Phone call with Jill Nagle
 - a. End of the Grazing Lease on the High Trails Property
 - i. We need to send a letter 30 days in advance of the grazing lease expiring. The lease expires October 14th. Letter to be sent by September 14th.
 1. In the letter, give Ben Pauley until October 31 to remove livestock and equipment from the property. Afterwards, anything left will be considered abandoned.
 - b. Conflict of Interest Forms
 - i. Board of directors to sign.
4. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Joyce gave the report.
 - b. The financial report will be located at the end of the minutes.
5. Grants Update
 - a. OnX Grant: Deadline August 31st. Dan, Joyce, and Brandon are working on the grant. Brandon will submit.
 - b. T Mobile Grant: \$50,000 available to smaller communities. Deadline Sept. 30th. Brandon will start working on the grant in September.
 - c. TA Grant for Normal St. Bridge: We did not receive the grant. They funded 13 of 36 applications for capital improvements. Most applications were much larger and dealt with sidewalks and ADA projects.

- i. Ed spoke with Temple Sloan. Sending a check for \$7,500 for Normal St. Bridge Project.
 - d. High Stakes Foundation: They mailed us \$2,900 for operating expenses.
 - e. United Way: We are getting \$750 quarterly, \$3,000 total.
 - f. Kendeda Fund: Sent us \$10,000 for the Land Bridge Fence.
 - g. Wilderness Society: Sent us \$5,000 for the Land Bridge Fence.
 - h. Great Harvest: Bake days in early November for Skihi connector.
 - i. Steel Rheese Foundation: Investigate for Normal St. Bridge Project.
 - j. Murdock Foundation: Brandon will investigate.
 - k. RTP and Stewardship: We need to look forward to it. Ed and Joyce will investigate the differences and report back.

- 6. Project Reports
 - a. High Trails
 - i. Report on Weeds from meeting with Pat Fosse
 - 1. Need a weed mitigation plan, Brandon will ask her.
 - ii. Emberstone LLC Land sale
 - 1. They are selling 5 acres near our High Trails trailhead for \$50,000/acre next year.
 - 2. The easement for the parking lot and portion of the trail is with the county, not BTC.
 - 3. The easement will not change if they sell the property. We have no interest in pursuing the property.
 - b. Benches
 - i. Michael Mhoon's Bench
 - 1. Check with Michael for the location this week. Possibly in town. May place at corner of Skihi Trail and Beaver Pride. Brandon to report back at the next meeting.
 - ii. Tim and Cathy's Bench
 - 1. We have the site and materials.
 - iii. Steve and Gretchen Burke's Bench
 - 1. Check for location. Reach out to them this week to find location. Suggested off the edge of cliff trail towards the equipment but lower. Antelope Junction is also possible.

- c. In-Town Trails
 - i. Normal St Bridge: Will still need \$80,000 to replace the bridge
 - ii. Noble Skihi Project: Bike lane and sign installation. Miller poured the concrete today for the connection from Skihi to Beaver Pride.
 - iii. Park St.: R.E. Miller has signs for Park St. ready to install.

- 7. Discussion
 - a. Steve: New Trailhead, Steve would like to investigate the plan and use manure for regenerative farming.
 - b. Steve will look into other funding opportunities -Federal.
 - c. Bill- Great Harvest Bake Day discussion. We need to make sure we are helpful on our days.

- 8. Board Action Items
 - a. Ed moves to not pursue Emberstone LLC. land purchase. Joyce seconds. Motion Passed

- 9. Other Items Not on the Agenda
 - a. Hwy 41 crossing going in fall.
 - b. October event for Noble Ave dedication- Add to agenda for September meeting to decide date. Invite Beaverhead Chamber, United Way, Union Pacific.

- 10. Executive Directors Report
 - a. Volunteer Hours
 - i. 381 volunteer hours ytd.
 - ii. We have had a great turnout for several workdays. Just Serve has been a great resource for volunteer recruitment.
 - b. Pronghorn Pursuit Trail Run
 - i. The race went smoothly. We had 38 people sign up and 34 runners compete. There was a lot of positive feedback.
 - c. Schedule
 - i. Geologic Hike with Dr. Thomas from UMW August 26th on the High Trails.

11. Adjournment
- a. Next meeting September 21
 - b. Adjourned at 7:05

JULY		2023 FINANCIAL REPORT					
BALANCE SHEET							
General Funds:	Unrestricted		33,674.09				
	Sponsorships		2,750.00				
	Sponsorships - HT		50.65				
			<u>36,474.74</u>				
	Restricted Funds		24,878.73				
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	Current Assets			61,353.47			
Land:	High Trails		676,367.00				
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	Total Land			676,367.00			
				<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	737,720.47		
MONTHLY PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT:							
Income	Memberships			100.00			
	United Way 2023	TH Feasibility					
	Sponsorships						
	Events	Race		411.00			
	Kendeda Fund	Fence		10,000.00			
	Donations			1,550.00			
				<u>12,061.00</u>			
Expenses	Supplies - Operations			511.02	Mostly double bench \$499.80		
	Printing - Operations			313.90	New Trifold Maps		
	Outside Contracted Services			557.10	Cement cutting on Noble/Skihi was \$422.10		
	Office			23.48			
	Payroll Expenses			<u>1,409.48</u>			
				<u>2,814.98</u>			
				<u>NET PROFIT</u>	9,246.02		
I can't report on the race yet as there are some expenses still out.							