

Bigfork Steering Committee Minutes
August 14, 2008
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Community Forum
(draft)

In attendance: Craig Wagner, Pat Wagner, Gary Ridderhoff, Edd Blackler, Elna Darrow, George Darrow, John Bourquin, Bruce Solberg, Steve Zabaro, , Paul Rana, Joe Brennemen, Katrin Frye, Sue Hanson, Sharon Hunter, James Hunter, Sally Janover

Chairman Craig Wagner called the meeting to order at 12:26

Agenda: The motion was made to adopt the agenda. (m/sc Darrow, E./Hanson) Passed

Minutes: The minutes were approved as emailed. (m/sc Zabaro/Darrow,E.) Passed

Treasurer's Report: Balance remains the same as last month.

Resort Tax Committee: There was a meeting with Susan Ockert from the Department of Commerce from Helena on Tuesday August 12, 2007. Our maps still need to be refined. Our problem with boundaries is tourism dollars vs retiree dollars and getting a balance to have a voting district and a have enough citizens to administrate and control where the tax is applied.

Lake County Planning: They are on vacation. Their next meetings will be in September... September 5, 2008 and September 19, 2008 at Saddlehorn Discovery Tower at 9:00 am.

Vision Committee: On Hiatus

Stormwater Committee: Sue Hanson reported that Bigfork has to be extremely aware of stormwater problems so as not to pollute our Flathead Lake. There will be a workshop with Flathead Lakers, September 27, 2008 (site to be determined). This committee is now overseeing that stormwater must be mitigated along with improvements within our village. We all need to work together so we are all going forward in the same direction. They will soon be painting (with approved safe paint) around storm drains cautionary warning signs about runoff. The Executive Summary of the Preliminary Engineering Report is now on the www.bigforksteering.org web site, and the full report is at UPS and the library.

Chairman's Report: Craig noted that next month will be Officer Election time in the Bigfork Steering Committee. He asked Steve Zabaro to activate the nominating committee from last year. Anyone else wanting to serve please call 837-1037 and we will put you in touch with Steve. Anyone else willing to serve on the Bigfork Steering Committee please call the same number and we will put you in touch with Steve also. We would encourage more participation from the communities as we would like to have all represented and not just a few. We are actively searching for more people to serve this community and surrounding areas so that we can continue to preserve the "Village".

Community Business: Joe Brennemen reported on the good work of the Stormwater committee. The initial review of the preliminary report that came from the Engineering Firm disclosed some deficiencies to complete the report. The engineering firm has taken procedures to correct this situation. Joe also reported any additional sidewalks and

building plans will need to mitigate Stormwater and be in touch with the Stormwater committee before proceeding.

Joe next addressed the liability insurance problem of the BSC. The county attorney feels we are not covered by the BLUAC umbrella so therefore we need to look for funds so we are covered.

Joe's project of townships is being looked at by several people in the legislature very closely.

Old Business: Pat did a cost study, of post office boxes to help our vendors send when we change treasurers: UPS 3 months 36.00, USPS 38.00 a year. A motion was made to acquire a Post Office Box in USPS for our vendors to send bills. (m/sc Hanson/Darrow, G.) Passed

Pat will do this and who keeps keys to be determined later.

New Business: None

Announcements: Next week the meeting will be the BLUAC and the BSC Executive Board meeting at Woods Bay Marina to have an educational meeting with the USBG Leed rating systems to become familiar with their programs. 9:00 am August 21, 2008.

Our next meeting for the BSC is yet to be determined will probably be set on August 21, 2008. Meeting was adjourned at 1:04 pm

Pat Wagner, Secretary.