

Gardiner Resort Area District
Minutes of Regular Meeting – 12/13/16

Chair Demaree called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. All members present, including the administrative manager and the following members of the public: Robert Kopeland, Anne Foster, Dennis McIntosh, Joseph Gross, Mary Strickroth, Jenny Golding, Zondra Skertich, Paul Condon and Doug MacCartney.

Chair Demaree explained the procedure for this meeting and recapped the November meeting (question/answer session) when presentations were made by all groups applying for appropriations. Motions will be made by board members, discussions held and votes taken on each project individually. Contracts for this appropriation cycle will run from January 1st to December 31st of 2017.

Treasurer Parks reported on funds available to appropriate, \$291,042.00. He stated that one application was withdrawn (Spay/Neuter). Chair Demaree opened up options to bid to the board members.

Director Laubach moved to fully fund the application from the Gateway Hose Company for Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus' in the amount of \$63,480.00. Director Dawson seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Director Dawson moved to fully fund the application from GGCC Community Center for the Entry Way Renovation in the amount of \$33,276.00. Treasurer Parks seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Vice Chair Dalling moved to fully fund the application from the Gardiner Water District for the Hydrant project in the amount of \$53,400.00. Director Laubach seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Treasurer Parks moved to fully fund the application from GGCC for the Community Center Hazmat Abatement in the amount of \$107,450.00. Director Dawson seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Chair Demaree updated the board that \$33,436.00 was available at this point.

Director Dawson moved to fully fund the application from Bear Creek Council for the Bear Aware Trash Bins in the amount of \$15,044.00. Director Laubach seconded the motion. A discussion was held; Chair Demaree moved to table this application until later in the process. Vice Chair Dalling seconded. All voted in favor; none opposed.

Chair Demaree moved to fully fund the application from Electric Peak Arts Council for the Youth Initiative in the amount of \$1,950.00. Vice Chair Dalling seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Vice Chair Dalling moved to fully fund the application from Electric Peak Arts Council for Shakespeare in the Parks in the amount of \$1,300.00. Director Dawson seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Chair Demaree updated the board that \$30,186.00 was available at this point.

Vice Chair Dalling moved to fully fund the application from Electric Peak Arts Council for Stage Curtains in the amount of \$5,589.00. Treasurer Parks seconded the motion. Discussion was held with board members commenting they had all been to performances recently and that the curtains are definitely needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Chair Demaree updated the board that \$24,597.00 was available at this point.

Treasurer Parks requested time to ask questions regarding the GGCC application for the Community Center Renovation. The GGCC was asked to provide additional details and to possibly break this project down into smaller parts. The GGCC provided a statement with priorities itemized into grant writing, exterior work and windows. A discussion was held regarding how priorities were determined.

Vice Chair Dalling moved to fully fund the 2nd option of the application from Bear Creek Council for Bear Aware Trash Bins in the amount of \$12,514.00. Director Dawson seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Chair Demaree updated the board that \$12,083.00 was available at this point.

Vice Chair Dalling moved to fully fund the application from GGCC for Step 1: Grant Writing in the amount of \$12,083.00. Director Laubach seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Director Laubach moved to approve all appropriations made at tonight's meeting, in the amount of \$291,042.00. Vice Chair Dalling seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Chair Demaree thanked everyone for coming and stated we would try to get contracts in place by January 1, 2017. Chair Demaree asked for public comments. "Thank you" was the resounding comment!

In other business, Treasurer Parks moved to approve the November meeting minutes. Vice Chair Dalling seconded the motion. No discussion was needed; all voted in favor; none opposed. Motion passed.

Treasurer Parks reviewed the district's 2016 budget and remaining available funds. He presented a draft of the 2017 Operating Budget for the district and moved for approval. Director Laubach seconded the motion. A discussion was held concerning hiring an accountant to perform annual year-end procedures and to provide auditing services to the district. All voted in favor of the 2017 budget, none opposed. Motion passed.

Chair Demaree asked for any additional public comments. A discussion was held concerning random audits of businesses and how valuable or not this would be for the district. Chair Demaree updated the board on upcoming ballot considerations at the Montana state level. Treasurer Parks commented that "enforcement audits" may become necessary in the future.

The next regular meeting of the board will be held on January 17th at 7:00 PM at the Gardiner Chamber office. Treasurer Parks moved to adjourn the meeting at 7: 57 PM. Director Laubach seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

