



Great Falls Tourism Business Improvement District Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 25 | 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM | Great Falls Area Chamber of Commerce Lower
Level Video Conference Center, 100 1st Ave N, Great Falls, Montana

TBID Signature: _____

Board: Scott Shull, Sandra Thares, Robert Dompier, Malissa Hollan, David Buckingham, Laurie Price, Becky Miller

Staff: Rebecca Engum, Vanessa D Hayden

Guests: Becky Rammel, Susan Shannon, Michael Henneberg, Jenn Rowell, Scott Lettre

10:04 | 1. Call to Order – Scott Shull

10:04 | 2. Public Comment – Scott Shull

Opportunity for public comment related to items on the agenda

No public comment.

10:05 | 3. Approve/Reject 9-20-2018 Minutes – Scott Shull

TBID ACTION TAKEN

Motion made to approve 9-20-2018 minutes. Seconded. No discussion. All in favor. None opposed. The motion passed.

10:06 | 4. September Finance Report – David Buckingham

Accept/reject finance report as presented.

TBID ACTION TAKEN

Motion made to accept finance report as presented. Seconded. No discussion. All in favor. None opposed. The motion passed.

10:07 | 5. Close Account and Deposit Funds into Operations Account – Rebecca Engum

Approve/deny closing US Bank account and deposit balance into First Interstate Bank Operating Checking Account.

TBID ACTION TAKEN

Motion made to keep US Bank account open. Seconded. Discussion about the need to ensure funds are FDIC insured. All in favor. None opposed. The motion passed.

10:17 | 6. Transfer funds into Operations Account – Rebecca Engum

Mission

To passionately promote Great Falls Montana as a preferred destination for travelers, tourists and conventions to visit, stay, experience, and return.

Approve/deny transferring \$100,000 from Prairie Mountain Bank to First Interstate Bank Operating Checking Account.

TBID ACTION TAKEN

Motion made to approve transferring \$50,000 from Prairie Mountain Bank to First Interstate Bank Operating Checking Account. Seconded. Discussion about the need to ensure funds are FDIC insured and the ease of making payments as needed from other accounts. All in favor. None opposed. The motion passed.

10:20 | 7. Great Falls Figure Skating Club – Rebecca Engum

Approve/deny \$1,000 for social media promotion for the 2nd Annual Winter Warm Up Figure Skating Competition December 8, 2018.

TBID ACTION TAKEN

Motion made to approve \$1,000 for social media promotion for the 2nd Annual Winter Warm Up Figure Skating Competition December 8, 2018. Seconded. Discussion about the benefit of winter sports and figure skating coming back into Great Falls. All in favor. None opposed. The motion passed.

10:25 | 8. Great Falls Public School Athletic Department – Rebecca Engum

Approve/deny \$8,750 for sponsorship of AA Dual Wrestling January 19, 2019; District 10C Girls & Boys Basketball Tournament February 13-16; Eastern AA Divisional Boys & Girls Basketball Tournament February 28-March 2; State AA Tennis May 16-17 all in 2019.

TBID ACTION TAKEN

Motion made to approve \$8,750 for sponsorship of AA Dual Wrestling January 19, 2019; District 10C Girls & Boys Basketball Tournament February 13-16; Eastern AA Divisional Boys & Girls Basketball Tournament February 28-March 2; State AA Tennis May 16-17 all in 2019. Seconded. Discussion on venues selected and demand on rooms during targeted dates. All in favor. None opposed. The motion passed.

10:30 | 9. Golden Triangle Gymnastics – Jacob Bash

Approve/deny \$5,000 sponsorship of Rocky Mountain Cup Gymnastics Meet February 8-10, 2019.

TBID ACTION TAKEN

Motion made to approve \$5,000 sponsorship of Rocky Mountain Cup Gymnastics Meet February 8-10, 2019. Seconded. Discussion about Gymnastics Teams committed and the reality of hitting attendee projections, growth and changes in the industry, the sport locally, and the costs associated with developing and hosting tournaments. All in favor. None opposed. The motion passed.

10:35 | 10. Work Session: Montana ExpoPark Draft Confidential Plan – Rebecca Engum

Take action as necessary.

Plan and next steps reviewed. No action taken.

12:05 | 11. Public Comment – Scott Shull

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Opportunity for public comment related to Tourism in Great Falls, Montana

No public comment.

12:05 | 12. Adjourn – Scott Shull

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