



## Board Meeting Agenda

March 9th, 2022 | 9:00am

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### I. Open Meeting

#### A. Roll Call

[00:00:01](#) Sarah Blechta began the meeting at 9:00 am; all board members present.

#### B. Public Comment

JeNelle Johnson share public comment prior to the meeting.  

[00:00:18](#) Al Malinowski with the Post Office LLC shared they received notice of full funding by USPS and therefore will most likely no need Resort Tax funding. The Post Office will continue to be a contract post office currently, however Al shared the work everyone is doing to achieve federal designation. Board members discussed efforts and process of federal designation and shared appreciation for everyone's hard work.

#### C. Consent Agenda: Action

a. Approval of Minutes: February 9th, 2022

b. Finance Report: January 2022

[00:05:31](#) Motion: to approve Consent Agenda: Kevin Germain

Seconded: Grace Young

[00:05:42](#) Daniel Bierschwale discussed collections for January 2022 as the second largest month for total collections. Daniel also explained how recreational marijuana is taxable and the District is currently working with Kim Beatty to legally collect taxes on recreational sales. Daniel and board members discussed the proposed Gallatin County tax and possible exemptions.

[00:10:08](#) **Vote:** Passed Unanimously

## D. Regular Agenda

### 1. Old Business

#### a. Executive Report: Discussion

[00:10:21](#) Daniel Bierschwale updated the board on recent renovations. Daniel congratulated Sarah Blechta and Steve Johnson who are running unopposed.

[00:11:16](#) Daniel Bierschwale explained that 100 businesses have still not registered and BKBH may send legal notices to businesses who have not completed registration.

[00:12:04](#) TIGER Grant bids have been extended to March 22<sup>nd</sup>; Board Members discussed community priorities and possible collaborative funding solutions including Madison and Gallatin counties, Resort Tax, and possible Federal transportation funding.

### 2. New Business (*Agenda items were moved to different times and order*)

#### a. FY21 Annual Report: Discussion

[00:22:01](#) The FY21 Annual Report can be viewed here: <https://resorttax.org/investing-in-big-sky/>

#### b. Our Big Sky Implementation: Discussion

[00:24:18](#) Daniel Bierschwale reviewed the Our Big Sky Plan and the 2022 update. Ciara Wolfe and Daniel Bierschwale discussed community collaboration and requested organizations contact and work with the coordinators for initiatives.

#### c. WIA ED Introduction: Discussion

[00:31:21](#) MaryBeth Morand, Executive Director of WIA, explained “Women in Action” changed their name to “Wellness In Action” and gave updates on organizational changes.

#### d. FY23 LOI Overview: Discussion

[00:41:02](#) Sarah Blechta discussed Letters of Interest (LOIs) submitted by applicants prior to project applications.

[00:43:07](#) Daniel Bierschwale explained the budgeted amount from last years application projections, interlocal agreements, and 1% for Infrastructure commitments.

[00:48:34](#) Kevin Germain discussed impact areas and investment types. Kevin explained that while housing is partially an employer issue, housing tied to employment limits people’s ability to advance or change careers, or have a family. Steve Johnson discussed capital investments and bonding. Ciara Wolfe discussed successful housing programs at other locations such as Aspen.

[00:53:39](#) Daniel Bierschwale explained that all applicants are registered now and discussed aggregate data regarding wages.

[00:54:38](#) Ciara Wolfe discussed collaborative workspaces which will house 9 non-profits beginning summer 2022.

Sarah Blechta and Ciara Wolfe discussed administration funding.

[01:03:45](#) Kevin Germain expressed concerns with long-term operational funding. Board members discussed information they would like to have for project review meetings.

[01:06:33](#) Sarah Blechta reviewed and explained sponsor scores.

[01:08:19](#) Board members discussed questions and clarifications they want from sponsors.

[01:20:36](#) Ciara Wolfe asked about in person review meetings and board members agreed to a blended in person and virtual review meetings.

#### E. Public Comment

[01:25:57](#) Whitney Montgomery of BSCO discussed plans for BASE open houses and memberships. BASE will officially open on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

[01:26:59](#) Motion to Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted,

*S Johnson*

[S Johnson \(Apr 21, 2022 10:15 MDT\)](#)

Steve Johnson, Secretary & Treasurer

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**BSRAD BOARD & STAFF:** Sarah Blechta, Chair | Ciara Wolfe, Vice Chair | Steve Johnson, Secretary & Treasurer | Kevin Germain, Director | Grace Young, Director | Daniel Bierschwale, Executive Director | Kristin Drain, Finance & Compliance Manager | Jenny Muscat, Operations Manager | Sara Huger, Administrative Assistant

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