



Board Meeting Minutes

August 9th, 2023 | 9:00am

Big Sky Resort Area District

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August's Board meeting was held on Wednesday, August 9th at 9:00am at the Resort Tax office (11 Lone Peak Drive, Suite #204) and through Zoom.

I. Open Meeting

A. Roll Call

[00:02:06](#) Sarah Blechta called the meeting to order. Kevin Germain, Steve Johnson, Grace Young, and Sarah Blechta present. Ciara Wolfe was not present.

B. Public Comment: *None*

C. Consent Agenda: *Action*

a. Approval of Minutes: July 12, 2023

b. Finance Report: May 2023

[00:03:08](#) **Motion**: to approve Consent Agenda: Grace Young

Second: Steve Johnson

[00:04:40](#) **Vote**: Motion Passed Unanimously

D. Regular Agenda

1. Old Business

a. Finalize Subcommittees & Meetings: *Action*

[00:04:58](#) Following up from previous meetings, Daniel Bierschwale reviewed subcommittee items and their members. Kevin Germain suggested a transit/transportation subcommittee. Board members reviewed and agreed to subcommittee appointments.

[00:07:15](#) **Motion**: to approve subcommittee representation as follows: Elevate Big Sky: Grace Young; Wellness District: Sarah Blechta; School District: TBD; Library District: TBD; Incorporation Exploration: Sarah Blechta; Application: Ciara Wolfe & Steve Johnson; Reserve Strategies: Grace Young & Steve Johnson; Joint County: Kevin Germain; Strategic Investments: Kevin Germain & Steve Johnson; Transit & Transportation: Kevin Germain & Grace Young; Kevin Germain

Second: Steve Johnson

[00:07:56](#) **Vote**: Motion Passed Unanimously

2. New Business

a. Opportunity Fund Application Review: Action

- Zero-Waste Event Recycling & Composting Outreach

[00:08:15](#) Big Sky Snow gave an overview of their 'Zero-Waste Event Recycling & Composting Outreach' project request.

[00:10:05](#) **Motion:** fund 'Zero-Waste Event Recycling & Composting Outreach' project for \$7,750: Grace Young

Second: Steve Johnson

[00:13:32](#) Vote: Motion Passed Unanimously

- Big Sky Landscaping Partnership-Phase 1

[00:13:51](#) The Gallatin River Task Force, on behalf of the The Big Sky Landscape Partnership (BSLP), a collaboration between the Gallatin River Task Force, Grow Wild, Big Sky Sustainability Network Organization, and the Big Sky Fire Department, gave an overview of the 'Big Sky Landscaping Partnership-Phase 1' project request.

[00:15:56](#) Sarah Blechta asked about a partnership agreement and details. Board members discussed.

[00:17:25](#) **Motion:** to fund 'Big Sky Landscaping Partnership-Phase 1' project for \$25,000: Kevin Germain

Second: Steve Johnson

[00:17:57](#) Grace Young asked about HOA requirements and partnerships. Board members discussed partnerships and planning boards.

[00:21:23](#) **Vote:** Motion Passed Unanimously

b. RiverView Update: Discussion

[00:21:44](#) David O'Connor with the Big Sky Community Housing Trust shared progress report on RiverView project. Board members ask David questions.

E. Public Comment

[00:32:28](#) Whitney Montgomery of Big Sky Community Organization (BSCO) gave an update related to Big Sky Owners Association covenants and thanked Daniel Bierschwale and the board for their support with the BSCO housing project.

[00:33:43](#) Motion to adjourn open session.

II. Closed Meeting: Confidential Employee Reviews

Respectfully Submitted,

S Johnson

[S Johnson \(Nov 8, 2023 15:55 MST\)](#)

Steve Johnson, Secretary & Treasurer

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, Deputy Director | Tammy Estensen, Communications & Community Engagement Manager | Sara Huger, Office Manager

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