

Madison County Housing Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

Friday, October 28, 2022, 9 a.m.

Courtroom, 2nd Floor, County Administrative Building

Virginia City, Montana

Attendees: Les Gilman, Cindy Gockel, Martha Klaumann, David O'Connor

Absent: Jaime Edmundson, Mary Oliver, Ray Shaw, Mary Beth Walsh

Others In Attendance: Commissioner John Heckler, Jackie Haines (Northern Rocky Mountain Economic Development District), Kelly Sullivan (ED Headwaters RC&D), Scott Hazelton (Senior Planner Hyalite Engineers), Hannah Brook (Madison County Grant Writer), and Bill Todd Candidate for Commissioner District 3.

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Les Gilman and was recorded by IT Department.

Minutes: Cindy moved and Martha seconded to approve the September minutes. Motion carried.

Guests: Guests introduce themselves

Bills: None presented.

Old Business

Madison County Housing and Transportation Needs Assessment: The Board of Commissioners has approved Scope Release 4 (SR4) Existing Capacity for Housing Summary Document proposed by Hyalite Engineers. Commissioners also approved using county discretionary funds to pay for it if grant funding proposals are not fulfilled. Scott Hazelton will work with Jackie and Kelly on the grant proposals. Cindy mentioned the 2019 Housing Study done in Madison County. A copy of the most recent proposal was requested by Cindy. Scott will forward to the Housing Advisory Board.

New Business

Funding Sources for Housing and Transportation Needs Assessment: Jackie and Kelly have been and will continue to work with Hannah on funding sources. There are several grant options to fund the second phase.

Rewriting the Rural Narrative August 16th: Martha reported that this webinar was session full of very good information about rural housing. Providing senior-friendly housing (patio homes, ADUs, assisted living etc.) encourages seniors to move to a smaller, more easily accessible home and frees up larger homes for the local workforce. The sources of income for seniors including Social security, Medicare and investments can be a benefit for the community. This was sponsored by MSU Extension. There will be follow up sessions focusing on rural housing available October 2022-February 2023.

Big Sky Community Housing Trust: Dave and others involved may be able to give the Housing Advisory Board guidance moving forward. A meeting of champions across the county was suggested after the housing assessment data is collected. Big Sky Community Housing Trust is funded by about 50% resort tax (capital investment), about 50% philanthropic funding, and some Federal funding. One time donations were given to establish start-up funding.

Dave stated that there are about 12 housing trusts in Montana. One Valley Community Foundation is a nonprofit for nonprofits. They could provide advice and education for the Housing Advisory Board.

Upcoming Meetings: Due to conflicts with the holidays, the Housing Advisory Board will be meeting on the following dates:

November 18th (3rd Friday)

December 16th (3rd Friday)

We will then return to the 4th Friday in January 2023 (January 27th.)

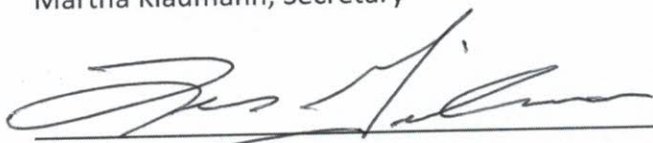
Opportunity for Public Comment for items not on the agenda: None

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 am.

Next meeting: Friday, November 18, 2022 at 9 am at the 2nd Floor Courtroom, County Administrative Building, Virginia City.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Klaumann, Secretary



Approved by Vice Chair Les Gilman