

Madison County Housing Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

Friday, March 24, 2023, 9 a.m.

Public Meeting Room, 1stFloor, County Administrative Building

Virginia City, Montana

Attendees: Dawn Conklin, Jaime Edmundson, Martha Klaumann, David O'Connor, Mary Beth Walsh

Absent: Mary Oliver, Ray Shaw

Guest: Jordan High Twin Bridges City Council, Scott Hazelton Hyalite Engineers, Cindy Gockel, Jazelle High

Meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Beth Walsh and was recorded by IT Department. A quorum was established and guests introduced.

Minutes: Dawn moved to approve February minutes. Dave seconded and motion passed.

Bills: None

Old Business

Madison County Housing Needs Assessment: Scott sent preliminary report of the Housing Needs Assessment to Board members. Brief comments were given about the community stakeholders meetings. The Virginia City stakeholders meeting scheduled for later today will complete the report. Jaime will send contact for Harrison area stakeholders. Scott will ask for written comments from them. Scott wants more feedback before the hardstop date of April 7th. He will do a short presentation at our April meeting.

Twin Bridges Workforce Housing Project: Jordan High has talked to the Lott family about the railroad ground as they owned the ground at one time and their ranch adjoins the property. They support the project but are concerned about the impacts on their ranching business, primarily water. There is confusion about ownership of property which will be clarified. Jordan plans to develop a group to move forward with this project. Dave has written a letter of support for this housing project from the Housing Advisory Board. Mary Beth will share with Jordan when he wants it. Dave suggested Jordan create a Community Land Trust. Dawn is happy to meet with him regarding that.

New Business

Big Sky Community Housing Needs Update 0922: Dave reported that he and Kevin Germain asked that the Big Sky Housing Needs Update 0922 be added to the Madison County Housing Needs Assessment. Our Board supports that. Scott has added it as an appendix.

Montana Housing Partnership Conference May 15-17, 2023: Dawn will be at this conference and if we had a one-page flyer about the Housing Advisory Board, she would have it at her table to share with others. Jaime will create this. We have money budgeted to cover expenses for another person to attend. Early bird registration ends April 7th.

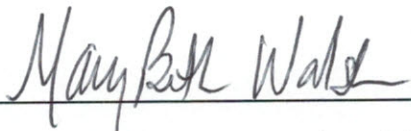
Public Comment: None

Next Meeting: Friday, April 28, 2023 at 9 am

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 9:48 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Klaumann, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Mary Beth Walsh", is written over a horizontal line.

Approved by Chair Mary Beth Walsh