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General Membership Meeting Agenda

August 21, 2019, 2019 at Noon at GN Lodge Room

- **Call to Order & Welcome:** President Marko Manoukian
- **Review Minutes/Financial Transactions:** Review/approve minutes from May 30, 2019 and financials as presented. Hi-Line Retirement Center and Villa Theatre loans are paid off.
- **Old Business/Ongoing Business:**
 - **MBIDD:**
 - **MBIDD Subdivision Violations** – Conditions of approval beyond plat notes and plat narrative?
 - **Lease Available** - Handley's vacating lease September 15th (originally August 1st). Have had ads in PCNEWS and Super Shopper. Currently in SS til 9/11.
 - **Store Front Beautification Grant Program** – 1 application submitted, plus 3 interests
 - **St. Mary's Rehabilitation Project** – applying for 2 \$50,000 grants from the MT Dept. of Ag Growth in Agriculture Program.
- **New Business:**
 - **Governor's Office of Economic Development** – 2 interns working on whitepaper of rural MT success stories met with a small Malta group.
 - **Villa Theatre** – David Adams inquired about a loan for improvements to reopen theatre.
 - **Cooperatives Meeting** – Michael Peters, Montana Cooperative Development Specialist with Bear Paw Development explained cooperatives and how they can work for businesses such as day cares, youth centers and other small businesses. The group requested that PhillCo consider forming a steering committee to further discuss a day care cooperative option.
 - **Hi-Line Packing** – Jim Dumas has completed the property purchase. PhillCo will be assisting in applying for Big Sky Economic Development Trust Fund job creation grant.
 - **Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 16th at Noon at the GN Lodge Room**
 - **Other**
- **Guest Speaker: Jim Dumas, Hi-Line Packing**
- **WHAT'S NEW IN AND AROUND PHILLIPS COUNTY:**
 - **Albertsons Community Appreciation Picnic** – August 21st
 - **Malta Middle School/High School Open House** – August 27th
 - **56th Annual Saco Fun Days** – August 30th & 31st
 - **PCMS Iron Man Classic weekend** – August 31st, Sept 1st & 2nd
 - **Malta Area Chamber Farmer's Market** – Tuesday evenings through Sept 4th
 - **Suicide Survivor's Class** – 11AM at Malta Senior Center from August 12th through September 16th. Sponsored by Phillips County Mental Health - LAC
- **Adjourn**



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General Membership Meeting Minutes

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Minutes from the previous meeting were read. Gary K. made a motion to approve as written, seconded by Logan L. Motion carried.

Financials were reviewed. Motion made by Logan L. to approve, seconded by Carly B. Motion carried.

MBIDD Subdivision Violations: Pam met with Casey Burke to discuss the violations that were noted in a 2018 commissioners meeting. They reviewed the planning file and discussed with Lynnel LaBrie. Pam has not found a record of these violations. No resolutions were issued by the county commissioners and all conditions of approval are in the Plat notes. Commissioners state there is an agreement noting the aforementioned violations between the county and the city but Pam has not yet found such agreement. Pam did however obtain a copy of the sanitary approval granted in 2003 for extension of water and sewer that expired in 2006 without that work having been done.

Mike L. asked if Motorsports has responded to PhillCo's most recent letter proposing restricted access to the racetrack. Pam reported they have not.

Hi-Line Packing. Jim Dumas was present to discuss his plans for the re-opening of the Hi-Line Meat Packing Plant. He will utilize PhillCo to help with advertising and hiring employees. In addition, Pam is helping him to apply for a Big Sky Economic Development Grant. Jim plans to have the plant open at the end of October, beginning with 5 employees and hoping to grow to 20. At full capacity they will be processing 50-60 beef per week. A trained journeyman butcher will make approximately \$20/hour. He will begin selling wholesale meat as soon as he becomes FDA approved. He will not be processing wild game at this time.

The owner of the Villa Theatre has contacted Pam about a loan to rehabilitate the Villa Theatre. Pam asked him to put together a proposal for PhillCo to discuss.

Handley's will be vacating their lease of and MBIDD rental as of September 15. No new tenant yet.

Marko reported on the St. Mary's Rehabilitation Project, looking for potential funding from HB52.

A recent meeting with 2 interns from the Governor's Office of Economic Development was discussed. A whitepaper will be published with findings from Malta and surrounding communities.