



2019 Annual Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2020 at Tin Cup Bar & Grill

Board members present: Bonnie Wiederrick, Gary Knudsen, Mark Kunze, Ward Van Wichen, Logan Lund, Marko Manoukian, Bruce Christofferson

1. **Minutes/Treasurer's Report:** Review/approve minutes of previous meeting (October 16, 2019) and financial transactions as presented.
 - a. **Minutes:** Bonnie Wiederrick made MM, Gary Knudsen 2nd. Motion carried
 - b. **Financials:** Discussion was had about Guide to Giving and Anne Boothe suggested to move the Guide to Giving \$551.07 from Bank of Malta (savings) to Community Fund Beautification (checking). Financials were approved as presented with moving the Guide to Giving funds as discussed. Ward Van Wichen MM, Logan Lund 2nd. Motion carried.
2. **Montana Corporation Annual Report** - Annual report was successfully filed and PhillCo is in good standing with the state.
3. **PhillCo Annual Report** – Pam reported:
 - a. **MBIDD** voluntary cleanup is progressing and PhillCo and the City of Malta are waiting for the Construction Completion report submitted by Newfields to be reviewed and signed off by the DEQ. The approximate timeframe is Summer 2020. **The next steps are to revisit the DEQ Water & Sewer line extension approval.** That approval expired in 2006...about the same time as the contamination was discovered.
 - b. **Store Front Beautification** – From 2012 to 2017, 27 businesses were awarded over \$50,000 (\$51,151.49) for projects totaling nearly \$323,000 (\$322,730.34). In November 2019, 3 businesses were awarded grants (Lettuce Eat, Tulips & Treasures, and Villa Theatre) - \$3540 has been paid out. Villa has not started the work and it is now under new ownership.
 - c. **Hi-Line Packing** – awarded Big Sky Trust Fund grant \$37,500 for 5 net new jobs. Potential for 2nd year of funding.
 - d. **St. Mary River Siphon** - Growth through Agriculture grant for \$43,388. Pending approval.
 - e. **New website** – moved to PhillCo controlled hosting company and is now completely under PhillCo control. Site had to be rebuilt because of data transfer errors/it was rebuilt to look almost exactly like the old site. Michael Wolsey (Pam's husband) did the work. After the cost of moving the site, the costs for domain name registration and hosting will be the same price or maybe less than when Montana Gfix had control of the website.
4. **Election of Directors** – Discussion to re-elect all returning directors Ward Van Wichen, Mike Lang, Mark Kunze, Richard Dunbar, Donny Bagley and Bonnie Wiederrick. Bruce Christofferson made motion, Anne Boothe 2nd. Motion carried. New directors Sharon Young (First State Bank) and Kourtney Simonson (Independence Bank) were elected to the Board of Directors. Gary Knudsen made a motion, Mark Kunze 2nd. Motion carried.
5. Marko presented certificates of recognition to new businesses, those under new ownership and business expansions (9 businesses total). Three businesses attended to receive certificates.
6. No amendments to by-laws were requested.
7. Meeting adjourned. Ward Van Wichen made motion, Logan Lund 2nd. Motion carried.