PCFC Meeting Minutes

Tyee Coffee House

April 15th, 2023

Attendees: Jeff Connolly, Steve Linton, Jim Stevens, Seth Callos, Tanner Linton, Carl Wright, Liz Johnson-Gebhardt

Liz called the meeting to order at 6:34 am

Ongoing Business

**March minutes ~** Jeff motioned to approve the meeting minutes. Tanner seconded the motion. Unanimous.

**Bi-annual elections ~** First there was some discussion about wanting/needing to change things. It was decided that changing things up would be good for the group. Carl nominated Tanner as President. Tanner nominated Amy as Vice President. Jim nominated Steve as fiscal officer.

The changes are as follows: Carl Wright steps down as President and Tanner Linton will take the position of President. Tanner Linton steps down as Vice President and Amy Encinas-Yount will become Vice President. Jim Stevens will step down as Fiscal Officer and Steve Linton will take the position of Fiscal Officer. The official signatories for PCFC will be Tanner Linton, Amy Encinas-Yount and Liz Johnson-Gebhardt, Executive Director. The vote for these changes is unanimous.

Liz will take care of the necessary paperwork.

**Landsite update ~** The City has the annexation of the property into the city on their Monday, the 17th’s, agenda. After they approve that, Bryan will need to take care of the county recording. Jeff said that it may take Liz (and Jim M.) staying on Bryan to get this done in a timely manner. At this point, it looks like the closing will happen by the end of May.

**Office move update ~** Liz received the Coworking Space agreement from Hunter. She is planning on starting the move the week of the 24th. We are still able to store things in the back area, but that will change after Expo. Tanner and Steve thought we could store things at Tri Pro. Liz is trying to downsize things as much as possible. Once we move over to Tyee, our meetings will probably be held there each month.

**Expo updates ~** Liz reported she has all ready received the workbooks (distributed to all the classes) and the hats. Stimson donated $1500 which covered the hats. Though she has contacted IFG, Liz is not sure where that is at. Doug Bradetich said he moved it up the chain. Tanner got ahold of Jake Weimer and he will be working with the tree planting again. We are not sure about Thomas Luckey. Mike Lithgow is supplying the water bottles again. Mike Reynolds said he is going to be there for the harvest ~ his crew insisted. There was some discussion about chairs vs. straw, due to the fact that the backcountry horsemen will not be there this year. Liz will check with Lindsey to see what that cost would be. Also, the machinery station: Seth said he would be willing to head that station, and we will find others to help him. Liz may be able to get her nephew and friend to help. The focus is responsible, reasonable and respectful use of trails and off road areas.

Financials

**Spreadsheets ~** All looked to be in order with that. There was the question of Selkirk Business Solutions charges ~ tax prep and the monthly charge were combined, therefore the $850 in March.

**$45,000 and EJ account ~** Liz asked that everyone think about what they want to do with the land sale funds once they come in. This discussion went to what we should do with the EJ account as we are typically not making anything in that account right now and we are obviously not in it for the long haul. We thought of maybe just taking it out and putting it into the checking account. Seth explained that we could put it into a money market account, still transfer the $3000 a month as we have been doing. It would be ‘safer’ and pretty much as easy as the account we are now in. The MM rates are about 4% though that may change. CD’s are 4.8% but they are a 6 month minimum.

Tanner made the motion to move the remaining $24,000 to a MM account and to continue transferring the monthly $3000 to checking. Steve seconded the motion. Seth abstained from voting. The rest were in favor.

New Business

**Forestry Contest ~** Liz let everyone know that the contest is May 11th at Farrragut. Jeff and Liz will be chaperoning the PR students. Tanner is interested in in coming along as well.

**PORP Trail ~** Liz did not have much to report. Apparently Rotary has been in talking with Steve and they do have money that they would like to earmark for the trail. Right now the thought is to ask for paving $ and get what we all ready have done hard surfaced up to the right of way towards Albeni. Fred Willenbrock is still working with Afton from the Tribe and she is trying to find the proper grants that can go through the Tribe, but would be implemented by Liz. There is the possibility of getting donations directly from the Tribe, but we are not outright asking for that right now. Also, Liz will talk to Mike about the bench and signs because this is the right time to get those in.

Steve brought up the fact that we should be thinking about getting jersey barriers along the pullout off the highway. That is an ITD decision. Liz will look into it but if we are building more trail in that area this Fall we may want to hold off. Todd is putting in bollards there so they won’t be able to drive onto the trail without a great deal of (stupid) effort.

As a side note: Jeff said that Soil and Conservation has extra trees for sale and that we should spread the word.

**NEXT MEETING: May 10th @ Tyee, 6:30 am**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 am