

**Butte-Silver Bow Superfund Advisory and Redevelopment Trust Authority**  
**Butte Justice Center**  
**January 12, 2015**

**MINUTES**

- I. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairman Joyce in the Butte Justice Center Conference Room, 3615 Wynne Ave., Butte, MT.

II. **Roll Call and Introduction of Members**

Chairman Bill Joyce – present  
Member Tom Michalek – present  
Member Megan Cusson – present  
Member Wendy Grace – present  
Member Stella Capoccia – present  
Member Danette Melvin – present  
Member Emily Munday – present  
Member Neil Bolton – present  
Member Mark Moodry – absent  
Member Mitzi Rossillion – present  
Member Rick LaBreche – present  
Ex-Officio Dennis Henderson – absent  
Ex-Officio Cord Harris – present  
Ex-Officio Eileen Joyce – present  
Ex-Officio Matt Vincent – present

**Staff:**

Jon Sesso  
Julia Crain  
Mollie Maffei

A quorum was established present.

III. **Approval of Minutes of the meeting of November 11, 2015 Meeting**

It was moved by Rick LaBreche and seconded by Wendy Grace to approve the minutes of December 8, 2015, as presented, and passed by a unanimous verbal vote.

IV. **Public Hearings** – None

V. **New Business**

- Dave Schultz, Public Works Director provided an informational overview of the recent initiative to select a new location for the County Shops Complex currently located on the site of the Parrot Tailings, wastes which will be removed from the area beginning summer 2016. Mr. Schultz introduced consultant Andy Dare of Pioneer Technical Services who explained the selection process which began with 8 sites and was drawn down to four sites

for further analysis. The four sites include ~18 acres owned by Gilman Excelsior LLC located at Centennial and Excelsior; the 17 acre Centennial Concrete property on Centennial Avenue; the 40 acre Montana Pole Treating Plant on Greenwood Avenue, and a portion of the Mike Mansfield Technology Center located on south Harrison Avenue. The costs associated with each site were calculated based upon land acquisition costs, site preparation costs, utility location and connection, and operational costs based upon site location from the centroid of the community.

On completion, Authority members inquired upon several topics including potential benefits to larger shops campus size and the cost per acre comparison for a larger site such as the Mansfield Center as opposed to a smaller parcel. Mr. Schultz responded noting that while a larger sized area could have benefits the funding source for Shop relocation is a 'like kind' replacement and any cost differential to acquire a larger area of land would be borne by the municipal tax payer.

Members of the public inquired about each site's zoning, the public information and public comment solicitation processes. Mr. Schultz noted that each site is suitable, from a land use perspective, for a County Shops operation. With regard to public process, Mr. Schultz noted a series of public meetings, articles, and information sessions to inform the public and offer opportunity to contribute.

- Authority members deliberated the need for supplemental criteria for the Historic Preservation Program-area and Board of Health. Much time was dedicated to explaining this distinction between the earmark programs (Health Initiatives and Historic Preservation) and the different roles of the Historic Preservation Commission and the Board of Health. For example, within the Allocation Agreement the Board of Health is provided authority over Health Initiatives earmark but shall make every effort to follow the SARTA Grant Criteria when developing and presenting their initiatives in the future. In addition, Board of Health is responsible for reporting to SARTA to ensure proper oversight and accountability over the Health Initiatives earmark. Member Bolton noted that once the earmarked funds for Health Initiatives are expended, it would be necessary for the Board of Health to apply to the SARTA board for additional funds. At that time, Board of Health will have familiarity with Health-related needs and utilize new funds for newly developed health initiatives in the community.

On the other hand, Historic Preservation Commission members authorized and approved a white paper with supplemental criteria to further evaluate a historic preservation project's eligibility for Historic Preservation earmark funds. While the overarching SARTA criteria and application will serve the applicants, additional criteria ensure projects are primarily Bricks and Mortar (i.e., building-focused rather than ephemera). However, much deliberation indicated that the additional criteria for the Historic Preservation earmark might be too stringent and if possible should be revised to provide a little more leeway in preservation-related projects that do not directly fund rehabilitation, restoration or similar construction-focused projects.

- Authority members deliberated the merits of a ‘reimbursement-only’ basis for funded projects. Members of the public brought forth concerns of this requirement, noting that smaller or more financially constrained entities may have difficulty with this particular approach. It was suggested that progress reports be submitted on a quarterly basis when applying for reimbursement. However, if a project is unable to front an expenditure on a quarterly-basis, the board will work with applicants to determine the best course of action to aid in project funding success.

Although deliberation did suggest quarterly reports regardless of invoice submission should be considered, Member Bolton moved to approve the eligibility criteria as presented and was seconded by Member LaBreche. On the question, Member Capoccia noted the necessity for a reporting framework. Staff suggested a reporting framework similar to that used for NRDP applications would be provided for review by the Authority at the January 26, 2016, meeting. The motion carried, passing unanimously.

- There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Member Grace and was seconded by Member Labreche. The meeting closed at 8:10 p.m.