

**Meeting of the TIFID Board of Directors  
Friday, May 17, 2019  
Boardroom, Business Development Center  
305 W. Mercury**

Members Present: Todd Tregidga, Mick Ringsak, Cindy LaSalle, Andy Durkin, Brendan McDonough

Members Absent: Todd Johnston, Rody Holman

Others Present: Jeremy Gatz-Miller, Marketing, Port of Montana & BSB, Kyle Pucko, Geofli, Shawn Nicholls, Geofli

Staff Present: Kristen Rosa, Karen Byrnes, Sherrie Walsh

1.0 Todd Tregidga called the meeting to order and determined there was a quorum.

2.0 Mick Ringsak moved, seconded by Brendan McDonough to accept the March 15, 2019 minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

3.1 No Cost 45 Day Extension for Markovich Contract – Staff Recommends Sending to Council for Approval – Todd Tregidga gave an overview of the requested no cost 45 day extension for the Markovich contract. Todd stated that a contract was awarded to Markovich Construction to complete Bldg #2 of the small manufacturing facilities in the MCBDP. Todd stated that Markovich is not going to be able to complete the contract on time as dictated in the contract and there are liquidated damages associated with being late on the contract due to weather conditions. Markovich would like to avoid the liquidated damages and have asked for the no cost 45 day extension to the contract. Kristen stated that WET, who is the engineer is in concurrence. The TIFID Board had questions and discussion of the Markovich no cost 45 day extension on the contract. Andy Durkin moved, seconded by Mick Ringsak to recommend to the Council of Commissioners to approve the no cost 45 day extension for the Markovich contract. The motion passed unanimously. Kristen stated that this will be on the June 5, 2019 Council of Commissioners agenda. The new date of completion of the project will be September 13, 2019.

4.1 Marketing Presentation – Todd Tregidga gave an overview of the marketing which has been a high priority for the MCBDP. Jeremy Gatz-Miller, Marketing, Port of Montana (POM) and BSB, Kyle Pucko, Geofli, and Shawn Nicholls, Geofli gave an overview of what has been and needs to be accomplished with the marketing in the MCBDP. Jeremy Gatz-Miller will be leaving the marketing position in July. Kristen and Kathy Fasso, Director, POM have been meeting to discuss what will be done with the vacant marketing position. A packet was shown to the TIFID Board that is being promoted, which includes updated photos, ads, video and organic views. There has been a traffic increase in the last sixteen months with the revamped website. The TIFID Board had questions and discussion on the marketing presentation. Kristen stated that she will renew a contract with Geofli and bring it to the TIFID Board for approval.

4.2 Strategic Plan Update – Kristen had the TIFID Board follow along as she gave an overview of the Long Range/Strategic Plan for the MCBDP that will sunset on June 30, 2022. The topics in the plan were the Vision, Mission, Goals – Best Value Industrial Park in Montana and Diversify the Economy, Tasks – Infrastructure Development – Chart with the Project, Start Date, Progress, Estimated Completion Date, and Comments, Marketing/Administration, Metrics – Metrics Table. Kristen stated that the Tiger Grant is due July 31, 2019. The Tiger Grant is federal funding and could help get more rail built. Kristen stated that the MCBDP could have a third tenant after the rail project has been completed. The TIFID Board had question and discussion regarding the Long Range/Strategic Plan for the MCBDP. Kristen spoke on Silver Lake and stated that there will be future discussions with the TIFID Board.

5.0 TIFID Action Items From Prior Meetings – There were no TIFID action items from prior meetings.

6.0 Kristen and the TIFID Board had questions and discussion regarding the Cryptowatt site.

Kristen reported on buying a plow for the MCBDP and the difficulties that she encountered with the private snowplowing companies being contracted to plow the roads this past winter.

The board had discussion about the future of the TIFID and Kristen stated that the state land that has been discussed at previous TIFID Board meetings is a viable option.

Kristen stated at a future TIFID Board meeting, an action item will be needed asphalt for a permanent coffee kiosk.

The TIFID Board discussed having David McCumber, Montana Standard, come out to the MCBDP and tour and write an article. This could help get the public out to see the MCBDP.

Kristen stated that MT Precision Products may be adding up to 30,000 more square feet to the existing building and a new parking lot. Also, Kristen stated that the POM could come to a future TIFID Board meeting asking for a loan for the POM rail expansion.

7.0 Public Comment – There was no public comment.

8.0 There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.