

McCall Improvement Committee
Minutes 1/13/05

Present: Curt Spalding, Judy Drake, Fred Drake, Dave Packard, Terry Avitable, Dawn Griffin, Chuck Griffin, Shannon Munson, Bonnie Bertram, Jean Odmark, Steve Forrey, Charlie Taber

Curt called the meeting to order at 12:13 pm. Attendees introduced themselves. The minutes of 10/28/04 were distributed and read. Judy moved to approve the minutes; Fred seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Steve reported a balance of \$10,442.71 Dawn asked that the amount of money available for the sports trails project be defined. Curt reported a balance of \$7775.42 in the MCIC account. There was a \$500 donation to the MCIC on behalf of the McCall Arts and Humanities Council for the Art Walk.

Bonnie asked to have an agenda item added regarding retaining an accountant for the MIC and MCIC accounts. She stressed that volunteers shouldn't be responsible for handling the accounts. Discussion of the proposal followed. Curt suggested getting a price quote from an accountant. He also suggested that Bonnie, Shannon, Judy, Steve, Chuck or Dawn, as well as he serve on a task force to discuss financial issues. Judy offered to obtain quotes from accountants. Bonnie moved that quotes from accountants be obtained. Chuck seconded the motion. Discussion was held. Curt suggested amending the motion to include price as a consideration for retaining an accountant. Bonnie amended her motion. Motion passed.

2005 Action Plan: Curt updated the members on the process. He recommended that the MIC look at revising the current plan at the next two meetings. Chuck mentioned that the priority projects are too diffuse, and that the priorities should be narrowed in scope so that more projects could be accomplished. He is concerned that many projects are listed, and few are finished. It was decided that the focus of the next meeting will be a presentation from the Trails Task Force and that the Action Plan discussion would be held on Feb. 10th.

Fundraising: Plans are coming together well for the event. There is a need for volunteers and there will be a sign up sheet for volunteer duties at the next meeting. Curt offered to donate flowers for the volunteers. The committee is pleased with some of the changes in store for the attendees this year. Terry asked members to give suggestions of those who might contribute donations for the auction.

Sports Trails Committee: Dawn mentioned that the Sports Trails Task Force has changed names and is now the McCall Pathway Committee. Shannon updated the members on the activity of the committee. There will be a joint meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission, Parks and Recreation Committee, and the Transportation Advisory Committee on February 2nd at 12:00 pm in Legion Hall. The McCall Pathways Committee is part of the Valley County Pathways Committee.

Chairperson's Reports: Curt plans to attend a seminar on financial fundamentals for non-profits. Judy has written some checks for the fundraiser. Judy mentioned that she, Curt and Bonnie met to discuss providing financial support for Winter Carnival. The McCall Rotary Club will be providing financial support as seed money for the Carnival this year. Judy mentioned that an article in the newspaper which indicated that the MIC would be underwriting the Carnival was incorrect.

Staff Reports: Carol gave a certificate of Gem Community status to Curt and Judy. Another copy of the certificate is on display at City Hall.

Other: Charlie Taber mentioned that there were some applications submitted to Planning and Zoning that were requesting vacations of city Right of Ways. He has concerns about the potential of losing city property to development. He recommended that the MIC members attend City Council and Planning and Zoning meetings to express their views.

Kudos Task Force: It was suggested that volunteers who are helping the Winter Carnival happen this year be recognized for their contributions.

Art Walk: Fred mentioned that the 10 art platforms will be installed by this spring.

Fred moved to adjourn. Chuck seconded the motion and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 1:48 pm.

Submitted by: Carol Coyle

Curt Spalding, Co-Chair

Judy Drake, Co-Chair