

Governing Documents Committee Minutes May 8, 2023 Meeting Via Zoom and Phone

Committee Members Present: Andrea Sedlak (chair), Claudette Dirkers, Leslie Everett, Douglas Gill, Jewel Wieczorek; Committee Members Absent: Morgan Squires

Landowners Present: Miriam Barker, Aija-Mara Accatino

CALL TO ORDER: 7:03 P.M. MST

Review and approve minutes of April 17 meeting—

After the committee edited several small items in the draft minutes, **Doug motioned and Claudette seconded the motion to approve the revised minutes of the April 17 Governing Documents Committee meeting. Motion passed with unanimous voice vote, with Leslie abstaining as she was not present on April 17.**

Committee members' reports on work done since the last meeting—

Andrea drafted the meeting minutes. She also presented to the Board the proposed Bylaws Amendments documents (the excerpts and the summary table) as well as an overview describing the goal of the amendments and the process the committee envisioned going forward. The Board approved sending them to the lawyer and reported that to the committee. An additional correction came up, as the legal representative section needed a change and that went to the lawyer independently. The lawyer was asked to respond with comments by May 5, but has not yet done so. Claudette made a list of the implications of the GDC reviews of the Master Plan for the project review application forms and process and Andrea is distilling these items into a memo to succinctly summarize what the PRC needs to look at and amend to get the documents to conform to the MP. This work still needs to be finished and put before our committee before we send it on.

Discussion of proposed edits to the Bylaws—

After the materials and the addendum correction went to the attorney, one other issue came up. The current Bylaws do not conform to Montana law on removal of directors (MCA 35-2-421). Discussion ensued about incorporating the Montana law in the proposed amendments verbatim, as well as specifying that Members be notified of any meeting to remove a director and the committee agreed running this further edited section by the attorney for his review. In considering whether landowners would have the appetite to review and approve so many changes to the Bylaws, it was noted that the proposed changes this year are one-third of the changes the Members voted on in 2020. Changes that conform to Montana law aren't voted on, which the presentation to the landowners should make clear.

Discussion of the revised Firearms "Policy"—

The edits that Claudette added to what Doug had revised came directly out of the Montana Constitution. It is not a policy; it's an informative notice to landowners. Mostly about being good neighbors. Propose to the Board striking this as a policy and put this document into the next newsletter. **Leslie made the motion to send the new document to the Board for approval. Jewel seconded it. Motion unanimously approved by voice vote.** The old Firearms policy should be removed from the website and this document included as part of welcome package.

Plan to review the updated Road Policy—

The committee should read and think about the 2008 (current) and newer 2018 draft GLA Road Policy to consider what to present to the Board. Once we get the Bylaws package out to landowners for comment we will have time to work on this.

The Governing Documents Committee Approved These Minutes on June 5, 2023.

Next Steps—

Since the attorney has not commented yet, the committee discussed the possible next steps. The edits to the Bylaws section on removal of directors should go to the attorney for comment. The revised Firearms Policy (now simply Firearms Guidelines) should go to the Board for approval at its next meeting. After the attorney provides feedback, the revised Bylaws package will go to the Board to approve sending it out for landowner comment.

Next Meeting— May 15, 2023.

Adjournment—

Jewel motioned and Leslie seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed with unanimous voice vote.

MEETING ADJOURNED 8:39 P.M. MDT