

Governing Documents Committee Minutes

July 17, 2023 Meeting

Via Zoom and Phone

Committee Members Present: Andrea Sedlak (chair), Claudette Dirkers, Douglas Gill, Jewel Wieczorek.

Committee Members Absent: Leslie Everett, Morgan Squires

Landowners Present: Miriam Barker

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

Review and approve minutes of the June 19 and June 28 meetings—

The committee edited one small item in the June 28 draft minutes.

- **Jewel motioned and Claudette seconded the motion to approve the revised minutes of the June 19 meeting. Motion passed with unanimous voice vote.**
- **Claudette motioned and Doug seconded the motion to approve the revised minutes of the June 28 meeting. Motion passed with unanimous voice vote.**

The 7/08 meeting minutes were not ready for review and approval.

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

Andrea developed the minutes of the June 19 and June 28 minutes. She also prepared the report to the Board on the Committee's review of Landowner comments on the proposed Bylaws

Amendments, prepared the revised Bylaws Amendments package for mailing, and presented both items to the Board for approval in its 7/13 meeting. The Board voted to approve all these materials. Claudette discovered and sent to the committee a provision in Montana Law (noted again below) that forbids preferential treatment of subsets of landowners based on anything.

Road Policy Update Review

The Committee was not yet prepared to review these. Claudette suggested the committee members review the old policy along with all of Claudette's comments on it and the draft of the updated Road policy. These were tabled to a future meeting and committee members will review these materials before discussing them.

Discriminatory Rules

MCA 35-2-513, Differences in rights and obligations of members, requires that "All members have the same rights and obligations ...unless the articles or bylaws establish classes of membership with different rights or obligations..." The Covenants build in preferential treatment of owners living on secondary roads. The newly proposed amendments to the Bylaws remove the preferential requirement that Ombudsmen reside in NG or SG. Note that any proposals to require residency requirements for holding Director positions would also be forbidden by this MCA clause.

Updated Schedule

Andrea reminded the committee members that she had sent them the updated schedule and explained that the due dates should not be Fridays and should provide extended time to process the ballots when any holiday weekend occurs during the processing window. The Committee had questions about the plans for the Annual Meeting, but noted that this is the Board's responsibility.

Recission of Resignation Policy

Question about the proposed recission of resignation policy for this committee to consider and finalize.

Memo from Gov Docs to the Project Review Committee

It is important to convey what our committee has noted about the contradictions between the PRC forms. We're preparing a memo to them to summarize what we've seen. We need to finalize our review of the Master Plan implications for the PRC forms and process and finalize this memo. This is also tabled to a future meeting.

Next Meeting— August 21, 2023.

Adjournment—

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

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:45 P.M. MST