

**MINUTES OF THE
EAST BUTTE RENOVATION AND REHABILITATION AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

March 4, 2021

**MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON OR BY PHONE
CONFERENCE**

- CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL** – Chuck Krause called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chuck Krause (by phone), Mark Rule (by phone),
Melissa O’Dell (by phone), and John Riordan (in person)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Babb

STAFF PRESENT: Karen Byrnes, Director; Brianne Downey, Financial and Project
Manager; and Susan Powell, Administrative Assistant

CONSULTANTS: None

GUESTS: None

APPLICANTS PRESENT: Joe McGrath, Applicant (in person)

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mark Rule made a motion that was seconded by Melissa O’Dell to approve the minutes from January 7, 2021, meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

- PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

- FINANCIAL REPORT**

Brianne Downey, Financial and Project Manager, went over the Financial Report with the RRA Board. A copy of the Financial Report is made part of these minutes.

Melissa O’Dell made a motion that was seconded by Mark Rule to accept the Financial Report as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

5. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Karen Byrnes reported to the Board that we are working with a couple of possible pretty large projects in the District that will be bringing forward in the next couple of months. One is a new construction project of some condominiums that would be built up on Broadway Street. The same parcel will be awarded funds on the Marcom project and now that is moving forward in a different direction of the new developer and so they are working through all of their processes right now and they will be going through design review on those new builds. One of the other projects that we are working on right now is a completely public infrastructure project. We became aware of a situation of a very large storm line that is running north to south in our District. That storm line is crossing private property, it is a Butte-Silver Bow owned piece of infrastructure but it crossed private property with no record of it being there officially. There is not an easement, there is nothing. The placement of this storm line basically renders this piece of property undevelopable because it is buried about 16 feet deep and if we were to get an easement on it at its current location, it would be a very, very wide easement. It makes no sense for it to be on private property, it is a remnant of days gone by. The good news is that it is a remedied situation where we would just abandon our line underneath the private property and reroute into public right-of-way. We are waiting on a task order on that and a cost to bring to this Board. Once we do that, the private landowner does have a development plan for that property so it is a very big win, win for all.

Karen Byrnes told the Board that she has been contacted by another large project for expansion down by McGruff Park, an existing business.

Mark Rule made a motion that was seconded by Melissa O'Dell to approve the Director's Report. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **GRANT REQUESTS**

a. **102 South Arizona Street – McGrath Paint & Construction**
Parking Lot Improvements
Project Cost \$8,170.00

The Applicant, Joe McGrath, was present at the meeting. A copy of the application is made part of these minutes. The Applicant is seeking matching grant funds for the improvements to the commercial property. The improvements include parking lot millings for the lot north of the building. The Applicant has provided all necessary documentation.

Staff recommended a grant in the amount up to \$4,085.00 or 50% of the eligible costs associated with this project.

John Riordan made a motion that was seconded by Melissa O'Dell to approve a 50% grant in the amount up to \$4,085.00 to Joe McGrath for improvements to include parking

lot millings for the lot north of the building at 102 South Arizona Street. The motion carried unanimously.

7. WATER TOWER PROJECT UPDATE

Karen Byrnes updated the Board that Brianne Downey talked with Marty Salusso this week about their progress on the actual work on the tower and he is still waiting for the steam clean big machine vac to be available so he can finish the cleaning of the inside before he can go in and do the bracing and tightening of the bands. The door has been installed and he does have some metal stairs that he has ready to be placed as soon as they can. On the other side of things with the work, we hired Water Environmental Technologies to do the park design and layout. They are working on that; we have update meetings with them quite frequently. We are moving ahead.

8. OTHER ITEMS

Joe McGrath talked about the parking lot at Sparky's and asked if they can get a grant. Joe said that he will try to coordinate with Sparky's on the parking lot because Joe is looking at doing a parking lot as well.

9. ADJOURN

John Riordan made a motion that was seconded by Mark Rule to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.