



GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Butte, MT
September 20, 2018 at 8:00 AM

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – CHAIR BILL LEININGER

- Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM
- Accepted Anti-Trust (Read by Bill)
- Minutes from the August 16, 2018 meeting were approved as presented
- Roll Call and Approval of excused absences
- Excused:
- Absent: Diane Beck, Kerry Hanson, Matt Rosbarsky, Mike Basile, Robyn Erlenbush, Larry Damm, Clayton Fiscus, Ronda Tompers
- Present: Bill Leininger, Liane Taylor, Jim Anderson, Gena Gremaux, Charles Lapp, Teri Polumsky, Andy Polumsky, DJ Smith, Russ Schwandt, Jannie Wiseman, Paul Drew, Dennis Cook, Trina White, Judy Gudgel, Marty Kukich, Mike Nugent, Michael Wodjylak
- Staff: Sam Sill, Mark Simonich
- Guests: Dwight Easton, Ellen Beck, Michelle Garrity, Jaymie Bowditch, Travis Martinez, Cindy Grissom via telephone
- Ex-Officio: Tim Lund, Terry Thompson, Dan Wagner

2. CALENDAR AND EVENTS

- State Legislative Reception – Thursday, January 24, 2019 at 6:00 PM
- REALTOR® Days at the Capitol – Tuesday, March 26, 2019
- RPAC Griz/Cat Tailgate – Saturday, November 17, 2018 in Missoula
- Meeting schedule for remainder of 2018 and the 2019 session

3. DISCUSSION:

- Galbraith v Professional Property Management – Travis Martinez provided information on the potential ramifications for property managers and landlords and asked that MAR consider bringing forward legislation. The matter was referred to the Business Subcommittee.
- Legislative Position Statement update – **Motion to ratify legislative position statement. Properly seconded, motion carried.**

- Mandatory E and O insurance - Cindy Grissom of RISC called in to provide further details relative to mandatory E and O insurance.
- Real Estate Recovery Account – Mark Simonich recapped committee action from the July 31 meeting and provided an update.
- Affordable Housing Bill Drafts – Staff provided an update. The committee plans to wait until official bill drafts are available before considering a stance.
- Unmanned Aerial Vehicles – Staff provided an update. The matter was referred to the Land Use Subcommittee.
- Phased development - Staff provided an update and the committee will monitor this issue going forward.
- Sanitation in subdivision – The committee reviewed the comments on the MSSA revisions to be provided to the Subdivision and Development Advisory Council.
- Tax Increment Financing research – Staff provided the research requested at the July 31 meeting.
- Sec 199A Income Tax Deduction - Staff provided an update and the committee will monitor this issue going forward.
- Wildfire Landowner Assessment – Staff provided an update and the committee will monitor this issue going forward.
- Local option/resort tax – The committee elected to continue to monitor.
- Legal experts for legislative session – Committee leadership and subcommittee chairs will select and hire legal experts in the land use, water, and tax policy areas.
- Restructuring Business Meetings and Interim Committee Work

4. OTHER BUSINESS:

- County Road Issue – Teri Polumsky described the issue to the committee and asked that MAR consider bringing forward legislation. The matter was referred to the Land Use Subcommittee.
- Liane Taylor brought forth several business-related items for discussion. Bill Leininger volunteered to ask the Communications Committee to consider creating a flowchart describing the process for filing and responding to a complaint with the BRR.

5. REPORTS:

- Potential items for committee reports were covered during the discussion portion of the meeting. Staff will send out a survey to confirm/fill subcommittee rosters.

6. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:15 AM.