

## GFDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS & COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Friday, May 9, 2025

8:00 – 10:00 AM

Approved 7/10/25

Signed By: Andreas Geranios, Secretary

Meadow Lark Country Club

300 Country Club Blvd.

Great Falls, MT 59404

No Zoom Option

Andreas Geranios

### GFDA Staff Present:

Anna Flies, Brett Doney, Christian Leinhauser, Deb McGregor, Jake Clark, Jenn Gallmeier, Jill Kohles, Jolene Schalper, Kristen Blue, Lisa Andis, Marty Cappis, Rich Gannon, Shandi Gebhardt Jones, Shauni Seccombe, Terri Clark, Tracy Heggem

### GFDA Board Members Present:

Andreas Geranios, Brett Harris, Dani Grebe, Jayson Olthoff, Johnna Lightbourne, Kyle Herda, Mark Cappis, Morgan Tweet, Nate Weisenburger, Pat Woodall, Randy Gilbertson, Raymond Porter, Rebecca Engum, Reed Bassett, Shannon Hoiland, Sharon Virgin, Sherrie Arey, Dr. Stephanie Erdmann, Toby Malsam, Tom Heisler, Tracy Jerman, Tyler Muzzana

### Non-Voting Ex-Officios Present:

John Faulkner

### GFDA Council Members Present:

Amber Plant, Brad Talcott, Dax Miller, Jana Cooper, Jim Wingerter, Jody Johnson, Kate Neil, Keith Cron, Dr. Tiffany Hensley McBain

### Guests:

Chad Moore (SBDC State Director) David Dahl (Bravera Bank), Joe McKenney (GF City Commission)

*Times are approximate and agenda items may be taken out of order. Any Director with a potential conflict of interest on the agenda should state the conflict at the start of the meeting.*

#### 8:00 1. Introductions – Johnna Lightbourne

Introductions of Board and Council members, investors, staff and guests.

#### 8:05 2. Consent Agenda – Johnna Lightbourne

- a) Accept excused absences: Brittany Riley, Ed Brown, Glenn Bliss, Heather Hoyer, Jim Dea, Joe Briggs, Len Watkins, Mike Mills, Rob Haney, Shane Etzwiler
- b) Approve minutes of 4/3/25 Board meeting.

**ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve Consent Agenda. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.**

#### 8:10 3. Council Appointment – Johnna Lightbourne

Approve/disapprove appointment of Sherrie Arey of NeighborWorks Great Falls to GFDA Council.

**ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve appointment of Sherrie Arey of NeighborWorks Great Falls to GFDA Council. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.**

#### 8:15 4. Economic Development Strategy – Brett Doney

Breakout sessions to discuss potential updates to GFDA Economic Development Strategy.