

Gardiner Chamber of Commerce

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The Gardiner Chamber of Commerce serves our community through developing local tourism while endorsing stewardship of the Yellowstone Ecosystem.

DATE: Jan. 18, 2024

LOCATION: YELLOWSTONE RIVER LODGE, GARDINER, MT & Virtual via Zoom

PURPOSE: ANNUAL SUMMARY & Regular January Meeting 2024

PRESENT: Chelsea Deweese, Debbie Mackey, Sarah Ondrus, Mike Skelton, Trina Smith, Billie Taylor, and 16 members of the Gardiner Chamber of Commerce were present.

EXCUSED ABSENCES: Amanda Hagerty, Mike Keller, Brian Koski

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 2023 MINUTES

- **Motion:** To approve the minutes of December 14, 2023; as circulated. Motion by Trina Smith /
Seconded by: Sarah Ondrus
Carried.

3. YEAR IN REVIEW & COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- 2023 Highlights presented by Terese Petcoff
 - New Staff introductions
 - Grant dollars to make up for decline in GRAD collections related to 2022 flood.
 - Video Promotion highlight. Video available for all members.
- Treasurer Report presented by Mike Skelton
 - Have secured funds to pay off building January 2025.
 - Monies back in general funds.
 - GRAD "asks" for 2024. All accepted.
- Nomination Committee

- Keller and Dewese have either termed out or are not running for reelection for the board. Thank you! We appreciated your service.
- Procedures:
 - All candidates were given the opportunity to introduce themselves to the membership.
 - Voting Procedure Outlined.
 - No additional nominations were received from the floor.
- Candidates Running for Vacant Board Seat (2-yr positions):
 - Karrie Kahle (Park County Environment Council)
 - Maria Sascha Khan (Bespoke Ballet)
- Candidates Running for Second Term:
 - Trina Smith (B Bar Ranch)
 - Billie Taylor (Yellowstone Rough Riders)
- Candidates Running for Third Term:
 - Sarah Ondrus (Paradise Adventure Co.)
- **Motion:** To elect this slate of candidates for the board by acclamation. Motion by: Frances Ragsdale / Seconded by: Laura Williams. Motion **Carried unanimously**. No Point of Order was raised for a second motion to acceptance of slate of candidates, candidates were assumed to be accepted by first vote.

- **Motion:** to take a 15-minute break for committee work was called at 6:45pm by Trina Smith / Seconded by Sarah Ondrus. Motion **Carried**.

4. Meeting reconvened at 7:09pm.

- **2024 BOARD of DIRECTORS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:**
 - a. Debbie Mackey, Treasurer
 - b. Sarah Ondrus, Vice President
 - c. Mike Skelton, President

5. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, February 15, 2024; at 12:00pm at Gardiner Chamber of Commerce.

6. **Motion to Adjourn** was made by Karrie Kahle / Seconded by Maria Sasha Kahn. Motion **Carried** at 7:30pm.