

November 19th 2019

**Mountain State Trail Alliance (MSTA) Board meeting Summary
Kanawha County meeting, Montgomery WV**

Board members present:

Bill Wells

Kevin Rock

Andy Davis

Jeff Evans

Carolyn Komar

Gary Morefield

Claire Rozdilski

NRGTA Employees: Billy Strasser and Kim Maxwell.

1) Bill Wells called the meeting to order (around 4:40 pm.). We did not have a quorum.

2) **Treasurer's report:** Kevin gave the Treasurer's report. We have total assets of \$48055.85 in four separate accounts. There's \$48055.85 available for day to day operations. **Year to date:** There was \$2915.00 in dues and \$4766.47 in donations collected. Grants funds income was \$148,262.15. **Total Income** was \$155,942.61 for January through November. **Total expenses** were \$127,716.81 with \$114,982.95 spent on the Arc Grant expenses and \$3,865.71 on Operational expenses. This leaves us a net income of \$28,226.80.

3) **Membership & Web Site: Phil was absent**

4) **Grants update:**

ARC Grant Bill reports:

- The Hub Grant is closed out. It paid for more than what the grant was worth. The HUB grant paid for the New Logo and a new video to use on social media and a 5-page media guide to use for advertising. The new web site will be ready after January 1st with the roll out of the new name and logo.
- The 2018 Coal Heritage grant is closing out. The 2019 Coal Heritage grant piggy backs on the 2018 grant. Sam will be doing about 3 miles of trail work and there be way side exhibits.
- Upper Kanawha Valley grant, they're working on a conceptual design for a trail.
- Arc grant implementation. We finally received the scope of the project from the DOH and they're asking for an extension for construction. The grants that pay for Sam and Billy salary's run out in April and February respectively. The grant that pays for Kim salary runs out in May. Presently other grants are being explored to continue to Fund the salaries.
- Exploring a new trail from Mount Hope to Downtown Fayetteville.
- **New Counties Kim Reports:** Webster County has met some of the requirements to join the MSTA. Monroe County has not meet any of the requirements to join and don't appear interested.
- Coal Heritage and Friends of the Cheat are going to put together a couple pilot programs for the Trail Town program. There will be grants to pay for that.

5) **Trail Authority Bill:**

We're going to start having meetings with County Commissions to explain the Trail Authority and its benefits, have a representative on the Trail Authority and write a letter of support for grant funding the

Trail Authority.

6) New Meeting Schedule Bill: Currently with 6 counties it works out that we have a meeting every two months. We discussed our meeting schedule if we expand the MSTA to 8 counties. Some solutions discussed would be Board members could attend meetings electronically, have one central location for meetings, have one annual meeting and split the Counties into regions. We need to have more discussions later and make a decision.

7) Old Business:

Bylaws Committee Claire reports:

We need to make some decisions about removals and meetings if the structure of MSTA changes. There's a lot of ideas and there'll be more discussions later. Claire will be doing more work to be reviewed later.

New Business:

Adjourn:

Submitted by:

Jeff Evans

Secretary

Public Meeting:

There were no public participates.

Email Votes taken: