

**Minutes of Meeting  
Waterways Advisory Board Follow Up  
September 19, 2019  
11:00 a.m.**

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios, Commissioner Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Parks & Waterways (P&W)/Noxious Weeds Director Nick Snyder and Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present were Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation Samuel Hoggat, Waterways Advisory Board Members Craig Brosenne and Doug Harris, Kootenai County Resident Jim Stafford and Coeur d’Alene Press Reporter Ralph Bartholdt.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Business (Action Items):**

**Regulatory Marker Application/ Black Rock Beach Estates/ J. Scott Deardorff**

Waterways Advisory Board Member Craig Brosenne reminded the Commissioners that they have avoided giving permits for private buoys in the past, only approving those requested by commercial entities or local marinas. He said it was the responsibility of the Idaho Department of Lands to handle requests for private ones.

Parks & Waterways (P&W)/Noxious Weeds Director Nick Snyder confirmed that this agenda item was a request from a private homeowner.

Waterways Advisory Board Member Doug Harris reported that the person had made a presentation during their meeting and had been referred to the Idaho Department of Lands.

No action by the BOCC was required.

**Honeysuckle Bay No-Wake Zone/Hayden Lake/Craig Ely**

Mr. Snyder said the individual had brought this request forward on at least two separate occasions. He explained that Mr. Ely was not requesting something for his individual property, but that a no-wake zone be declared for the entire bay. He added that a County Ordinance would be required to fulfill this. Mr. Snyder suggested that the Board direct him to discuss this with the Hayden Lake Watershed District and get their input.

Mr. Brosenne noted that there were a large number of non-regulated buoys on Hayden Lake. Mr. Snyder agreed and said their goal was to make everyone aware of the regulations and have only approved buoys on the Lake. He added that KCSO seemed to support the idea of a no-wake zone for this area.

The Board requested that Mr. Snyder proceed as he had described.

- D. Public Comment (Discussion):** This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County-related issue. Idaho Law prohibits Board action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance. Comments related to future public hearings should be held for that public hearing.

Mr. Brosenne remarked that it did not make sense for the Waterways Advisory Board to have a procedure in place for private citizens to request buoys when they would automatically be refused and referred to the state. He suggested the procedure be altered so that people were immediately referred to the Idaho Department of Lands. The Commissioners voiced approval of the suggestion.

Chairman Fillios announced that Post Falls Police Chief Pat Knight had agreed to provide support for the Marine Patrol next season.

Commissioner Leslie Duncan said that Coeur d'Alene Mayor Steve Widmyer was still looking into offering support for the Marine Patrol.

Mr. Snyder introduced Idaho Department of Parks & Recreation State Boating Education Coordinator Samuel Hoggatt. Mr. Hoggatt announced that his office had created internet advertisements and postcards addressing the same problems seen on the Spokane River. He said they were also working on a PSA (Public Service Announcement) that would air on radio stations and public television channels.

Commissioner Duncan asked if these might be reused by the County. She reminded those present that the Board had been considering a similar campaign and re-using these could save money. There was general interest expressed in the suggestion.

Mr. Snyder also announced that the Kootenai School District had offered to help fund an additional full time Marine Deputy position.

Kootenai County Resident Jim Stafford urged everyone to remember that steps were supposed to be taken to make the Spokane River a no-wake zone. Commissioner Bill Brooks assured him that the problems on the Spokane River would receive his personal attention over the winter.

Commissioner Brooks exited the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Commissioner Duncan stated that her focus for next year would be to ensure that all twelve seasonal marine deputy positions would be filled.

**E. Adjournment (Action):** Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk

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