

**Minutes of Meeting
Parks & Waterways
March 5, 2020
1:00 p.m.**

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios and Commissioner Leslie Duncan met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Parks & Waterways (P&W) /Noxious Weeds Director Nick Snyder, KCSO Lieutenant Ryan Higgins, Sergeant Will Klinkefus, Deputy Justin Arts, Civil Deputy Prosecutor Jamila Holmes, and Deputy Clerk Ronnie Davisson. Also present were citizens Jim and Avis Stafford and Coeur d’Alene Press Staff Writer Jennifer Passaro. Commissioner Bill Brooks was excused.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Business:**

Proposed No-Wake Zone – Honeysuckle Bay – Hayden Lake Watershed District (Action)

Mr. Steve Meyer entered the meeting at 1:36 p.m.

P&W Director Nick Snyder began by providing a brief history of the proposed no-wake zone for Honeysuckle Bay and asked whether the Board wanted the Waterways Advisory Board to meet with KCSO and Hayden Lake Watershed District in order to bring an official proposal to the Board. Commissioner Leslie Duncan said she was in favor of the suggestion and that if the no-wake zone were to move forward, it would require a public hearing and all the background work needed to be completed before then. Mr. Snyder said he would need a couple of weeks to hold the meeting and get the proposal together for the Board. The Board was amenable.

Proposed Waterways Ordinance Changes

- a. Executive Session pursuant to *Idaho Code §74-206(1)(d)* to consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided by law. (Closed Session – Discussion)**

Commissioner Duncan moved to enter into Executive Session. Chairman Fillios seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Davisson called the roll:

Commissioner Brooks: Excused
Commissioner Duncan: Aye
Chairman Fillios: Aye

The motion carried.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 1:39 p.m.

Civil Deputy Prosecutor Jamila Holmes joined the Board in Executive Session.

The Board exited Executive Session at 2:19 p.m.
Commissioner Bill Brooks entered the meeting during Executive Session.

b. Decisions/Direction (Open Meeting – Action)

Commissioner Duncan moved to exit Executive Session and directed staff to proceed as discussed. Commissioner Bill Brooks seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Davisson called the roll:

Commissioner Brooks: Aye
Commissioner Duncan: Aye
Chairman Fillios: Aye

The motion carried.

Commissioner Duncan informed the attendees that the Board felt the current definition put forward was not enforceable, based on the opinion of KCSO; however, she felt that the Board had come up with more restrictive solutions and mentioned that KCSO had two weeks to conduct mapping and other information gathering, in order to give it to Legal for review.

County Surveyor Rod Jones entered the meeting at 2:21 p.m.

Chairman Fillios asked the KCSO members present to comment on the current Marine Deputy hires. Deputy Justin Arts explained that they may be hiring enough deputies to fill all the funded positions and pointed out that they even had a waiting list full of people to fill in the spots. Deputy Arts said there were ten deputies funded by KCSO, for a total of five teams; Post Falls funded two deputies, making one additional team.

Mr. Jim Stafford quoted Idaho Code §67-7025 “Interference with Navigation”; he said that when he crossed a wake while doing the speed limit in his boat, his boat would go airborne and felt that the quoted statute showed that it was against the law to obstruct his navigation. Deputy Arts explained that the statute was used in situations wherein multiple boats were anchored or moored in areas of high traffic, like the mouth of the Spokane River. Sergeant Klinkefus said that he did not feel that Mr. Stafford’s situation fit the cited statute, because the vessel had not been restricting Mr. Stafford’s free movement, but still allowed him to move past the vessel in a free way.

Greensferry Boat Launch Parking (Action)

Mr. Snyder presented the Board with photos of the Greensferry Boat Launch and explained that he had been in touch with the homeowner to discuss access to his property. Mr. Snyder said that he explained to the homeowner that they would construct a gravel approach for him; in return, the homeowner inquired about a possible easement. Commissioner Duncan asked whether the homeowner had applied for the approach permit; Mr. Snyder said he had not applied as of now, but Mr. Snyder had put in phone calls to the Post Falls Highway District to verify.

- a. Executive Session pursuant to *Idaho Code §74-206(1)(f)* to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for**

**pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be likely.
(Closed Session – Discussion)**

There was no information presented for Executive Session.

b. Decisions/Direction (Open Session – Action)

No further information was discussed.

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. There were no public comments.

Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 2:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Ronnie Davisson, Deputy Clerk
