

**Minutes of Meeting
Commissioners' Debriefing
May 22, 2018
3:00 p.m.**

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Marc Eberlein and Commissioner Bob Bingham met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were KCSO Sheriff Ben Wolfinger, Juvenile Detention Director J.T. Taylor, Buildings & Grounds (B&G) Director Shawn Riley, B&G Assistant Manager Tom Reed, Financial Performance & Compliance Senior Manager Kimberli Riley, Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney R. David Ferguson and Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present was Joe Donovan from Sletten Construction. Commissioner Chris Fillios was excused.

- A. **Call to Order:** Chairman Marc Eberlein called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
- B. **Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. **Action:**

Sletten Change Orders

Joe Donovan from Sletten Construction provided the Commissioners with a chart illustrating the change orders that have applied to the Jail Expansion Project and those he expects to submit in the future. He said the Project is moving along well and he hopes to see it completed by September 1, 2018. Mr. Donovan stressed that the new boilers have been installed with close attention to the manufacturer's recommendations.

Mr. Donovan exited the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

Prosecutor Moves to Annex

Buildings & Grounds (B&G) Director Shawn Riley informed the Board that Prosecutor Barry McHugh would like to move his three investigators over to the Annex from the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Mr. Riley reported that Mr. McHugh said he needs additional space for the attorneys. Mr. Riley said he does not object to this but wanted to be sure the Board was informed because there were only two or three offices left in the Annex. Commissioner Bob Bingham said he supported the request; Chairman Eberlein stated he did not. Mr. Riley said he would bring this request back to the Board when all three Commissioners were present.

Payment of Justice Building Water Leak

Mr. Riley advised the Commissioners he had received the first bill for the repairs to the water leak at the Justice Building in the amount of \$13,518. He said he expects the plumber to submit another bill for between \$8,000 and \$9,000. He added that the expenses would not be covered by insurance and were not included in the Budget. Chairman Eberlein suggested he cover the expenses from his current Budget and if he

exceeded his Budget, the Board would discuss it with him later. Commissioner Bingham agreed.

Romer Brown Building

Mr. Riley told the Board that Staff Accountant Leighanna Keiser had been in touch with John Goedde, the County's ICRMP contact, about the Romer Brown Building. He said that the building must be given an official name. Chairman Eberlein suggested the name be left as the Romer Brown Building. Commissioner Bingham agreed.

Statement of Qualification for Project

Mr. Riley reminded the Board of his previous proposal to develop a pool of architects and engineers from which the County could choose for new projects for the next two years. He said this would speed up project development significantly. He requested the Board's permission to send out requests to service providers pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2320(2)(h). Mr. Riley pointed out that the City of Hayden and the City of Post Falls are both doing similar things.

Commissioner Bingham expressed reservations about the proposal, based on equality of access. Chairman Eberlein also expressed reservations regarding the ability of a provider to be added to the list at a later date. Mr. Riley stressed that the process would only select a pool of engineers and architects that were best qualified to meet the County's needs in upcoming projects for the next two years; it would not change the process of bidding the work.

Commissioner Bingham and Chairman Eberlein agreed that Mr. Riley should continue working on the plan, with the understanding that the Board could reverse the decision later if new information was received.

Public Defender's Office Lease Discussion

Mr. Riley informed the Board that the lease for the Public Defender's Office would need to be renewed soon. He said an agreement was reached with the entity that leased the space to renew the lease for \$7,216 per month for the next three years. Mr. Riley said Legal had approved the proposal; he suggested he could have an amendment to the original lease drafted and brought before the Board. Both Chairman Eberlein and Commissioner Bingham agreed.

Industrial Litigation Fund

Commissioner Bingham stated that this item had been cancelled; he received a message to that effect after Chairman Eberlein had called for Changes to the Agenda. He explained that Assessor Mike McDowell was unable to attend and would bring the item forward in another meeting.

Suicide Toilet Request

Juvenile Detention Director J. T. Taylor requested Board approval of the installation of suicide toilets in two observation rooms at the Juvenile Detention Center. He stated there was money available in the Lottery Fund to cover the expense. Mr. Riley reminded the Board that this improvement had been suggested by the State. Mr. Taylor said the cost would be \$5,342.54 for the units and about another \$4,000 for installation. Both Commissioners agreed this was acceptable.

Commissioner Bingham moved that the Board enter into Executive Session pursuant to *Idaho Code §74-206(1)(f)*. Chairman Eberlein seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Ginorio called the roll:

Commissioner Bingham: Aye
Commissioner Fillios: Excused
Chairman Eberlein: Aye
The motion carried.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 3:22 p.m.

Chairman Eberlein invited Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney R. David Ferguson to remain for the Executive Session.

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 & legal options for controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated (Closed Meeting)

The Board exited Executive Session at 3:37 p.m.

Commissioner Bingham moved that the Board exit Executive Session with no decisions made and staff requested to proceed as discussed. Chairman Eberlein seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Ginorio called the roll:

Commissioner Bingham: Aye
Commissioner Fillios: Excused
Chairman Eberlein: Aye
The motion carried.

D. Decisions/Direction (Open Meeting)

No additional decisions or directions were announced.

- E. Public Comment:** 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 was no public comment.

Chairman Eberlein adjourned the meeting at 3:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

MARC EBERLEIN, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk
