

Minutes of Meeting
FY2020 Budget Deliberations
June 7, 2019
9:00 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Pro Tem Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Chief Deputy Clerk Jennifer Locke, Finance Director Dena Darrow, Staff Accountant – Budget Michelle Chiamonte, and Deputy Clerk Ronnie Davisson. Also present was Contractor Shawn Riley and citizen Russ McLain. Chairman Chris Fillios was excused.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Pro Tem Leslie Duncan called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.
- B. Introductions**
- C. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- D. Action Items:**

Continue Capital Expenditures Deliberations and Decisions

Finance Director Dena Darrow opened the meeting by providing a current update. She explained that with the Board opting to fund a new building at \$5,000,000 rather than \$6.7 million, it would free up \$1.7 million of Fund Balance usage; however, it would not lower the current budget deficit. She further explained the County’s levy rate and said that if the Board taxed what they were planning for, the levy rate would go down approximately \$14.35 per \$100,000 of assessed value. Ms. Darrow suggested keeping the levy rate exactly flat, which would allow the Board to take \$2.7 million in forgone taxes; she explained that it was a way to keep the levy rate flat and would allow the Board to gain enough money to fund a new building and increase employee wages.

Chairman Chris Fillios entered the meeting at 9:26 a.m.

BOCC Senior Business Analyst Nanci Plouffe entered the meeting at 9:39 a.m.

Civil Deputy Prosecutor R. David Ferguson entered the meeting at 9:49 a.m.

Ms. Darrow asked what topics the Board wished to discuss at the upcoming budget meeting. They opted for overtime trends, capital, travel & training.

New Programs Deliberations and Decisions

_There was no relevant information discussed on this topic.

- E. 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.

Citizen Russ McLain pointed out that as the County had grown, the full taxing authority was not taken and said the Board should take the full 3% and forgone to prepare for future needs.

- F. Adjourn (Action):** Chairman Pro Tem Duncan adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

LESLIE DUNCAN, CHAIRMAN PRO TEM

BY: _____
Ronnie Davisson, Deputy Clerk
