

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**Kootenai County Waterways Advisory Board**  
**June 11, 2020**  
**Kootenai County Search & Rescue Building**  
**10865 N Ramsey Rd**  
**Hayden, Idaho 83835**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mike Foley, Doug Harris, Ed Peletski, Mike Pelissero, Gary Schmidt, Tom Torgerson, Terry Werner

**STAFF PRESENT:** Nick Snyder, Director, Parks & Waterways; Jake Strange, Operations Manager, Parks & Waterways; Sergeant Will Klinkefus, Sheriff Recreation Division; Ranell Schwartz, Recording Secretary

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Bob and Susan Stiger, Todd Walker, Will Neal, Geoff Harvey

Chairman Werner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Advisory Board members declared no conflicts of interest.

**MOTION: Mike Pelissero moved to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. The motion was seconded; all were in favor; the motion carried.**

***NEW BUSINESS***

**ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:**

Doug Harris expressed an interest in being Vice-Chairman. No other members expressed an interest.

**MOTION: Mike Foley moved to elect Doug Harris as Vice-Chairman. The motion was seconded; all were in favor; the motion carried.**

***OLD BUSINESS***

**RESOLUTION 2020-38 KOOTENAI COUNTY WATERWAYS RESTRICTED ZONE:**

Chairman Werner began by stating that the Board of County Commissioners will not be considering any new waterways requests for the remainder 2020. They have a newly adopted ordinance, funded additional law enforcement on the Spokane River, and created a no-wake zone on Spirit Lake. The Board wants to see how these new implementations and rules work before considering more requests.

Sergeant Will Klinkefus reviewed the new ordinance process. The Commissioners received many public comments from the citizens of Kootenai County. The Commissioners engaged in lengthy deliberations. The resulting resolution was a compromise they determined to be in the best interest of all groups.

**PROPOSED NO-WAKE ZONE: HONEYSUCKLE BAY-HAYDEN LAKE:**

Nick Snyder reported that the Board of County Commissioners does not support this request at present, as they do not want to add further restriction on the waterways this year. The Board is willing to revisit this in the future. Geoff Harvey from the Hayden Lake Watershed Association stated that they would ask again.

***PUBLIC COMMENT***

There was no public comment.

***STAFF REPORTS***

**Nick Snyder** presented a power point that reviewed the history, funding and projects of the Parks and Waterways department.

**Jake Strange** showed pictures of the Spirit Lake and Spokane River buoy projects, and the new kiosk at Hauser Park.

**Sergeant Klinkefus** described the Recreation Safety plan for waterways this summer. He also explained the funding for the department.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Ranell Schwartz*  
Recording Secretary