

Minutes of Meeting
Budget Status Update
July 2, 2019
9:00 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios, Commissioner Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda item. Also present were Clerk Jim Brannon, Chief Deputy Clerk Jennifer Locke, Finance Director Dena Darrow, Staff Accountant – Budget Michelle Chiaramonte, Coroner Dr. Warren Keene, Assessor Rich Houser, Chief Deputy Assessor Joe Johns, Administrative Manager Reba Grytness, Chief Deputy Treasurer Laurie Thomas, Human Resources (HR) Director Sylvia Proud, KCSO Captain Matt Street, Captain John Holecek, Administrative Assistant Tammy Exley, Resource Management Office (RMO) Senior Program Manager Kimberli Riley, BOCC Senior Business Analyst Nanci Plouffe, and Deputy Clerk Ronnie Davisson.

- A. **Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- B. **Introductions**
- C. **Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- D. **Business (Action Items):**

Budget Status Update with KC Finance Director Dena Darrow
Potential Items to Cut from the Budget
Where We Are With Assigned Fund Balance
What is Left to Fund
Possible Funding Sources

Finance Director Dena Darrow said she wanted to provide an update as to the current budget status before they received the final Health Insurance numbers from Alliant. Clerk Jim Brannon said the Auditor's Office was trying to provide as much information as they possibly could to help the process along. Ms. Darrow showed the Board that their current deficit was \$3.7 million and even if they were to cut every possible request left, the deficit would still be approximately \$1.5 million. Further, there was only \$6,452,448 left in Fund Balance and it would take roughly 4 years to recoup the current year's spending.

Treasurer Steve Matheson entered the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

Ms. Darrow continued with multiple scenarios of suggested cuts and ideas for the Board to consider.

Chairman Fillios asked Ms. Darrow to cut back the wage study allocation by \$1 million, as it would be a delayed implementation. He told Ms. Darrow he appreciated the scenarios and that he believed the Board could attain a balanced budget without forgone or workforce reductions. Clerk Brannon asked if the Board were to push the wage study implementation out to January, if they were going to delay health insurance increases to

the employees as well. Chairman Fillios said that the health insurance contract was concurrent with a calendar year and said that they would delay the employee increases.

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. There were no public comments.

F. Adjourn (Action): Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Ronnie Davisson, Deputy Clerk
