A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Singletary at 3:02 p.m.

1. Opening Protocols:
   Russ Brown offered a prayer

2. Roll Call:
   Present were Chairman Robert Singletary, Commission members Laurie Mauser, and Walter Burns, Russ Brown, and Jonathan Mueller as well as Resource Management Office Director Jody Biez, Commissioner Chris Fillios (Entered at 3:07 pm), and Recording Secretary Chandra Newberry. Joshua Gore was excused.

3. Approve Minutes:
   Walter Burns moved to approve 5/31/19 and 6/19/19 meeting minutes, Laurie Mauser seconded. The vote was taken. The motion carried.

4. Introduce Guests:
   Commissioner Chris Fillios was introduced as a guest

B. Business

1. Review of Skip Fuller’s Proposal
   - Robert started off with a quick overview of Skip Fullers’ Proposal. Skip requested that $150,000 be allocated to the Historic Preservation Committee (HPC) for their budget for the sole purpose of preserving Kootenai County’s history. He believed there would be projects that would be of the competitive nature using the funding. He suggested a process by which the submission of the competitive application for grant funding would be reviewed by the HPC and then allocated to different groups. Jody brought up the Idaho Code as well as the North Idaho Museum. The Board of Commissioners (BOCC) had traditionally elected to continue to support the North Idaho Museum. Jody explained to the commission that the county is allowed a levy of 3%, so the commissioners would need to take money from somewhere else to be able to be able to fulfill the request. It would not be new money, it would be money from elsewhere. Skip’s proposal mentioned two different Idaho Codes. Commissioner Fillios touched on the subject of the budget from Skip Fullers’ proposal. Commissioner Fillios advised the Commission that the 3% is the taxing authority of the highest of the past 3 years. Commissioner Fillios also advised the commission that grants and other funds for different departments and boards come out of a “Fund Balance” which is savings. Commissioner Fillios also spoke about county budgeting for the Crisis Centers, Economic Development Corporation (Jobs Plus) and the Recovery Center. He spoke on how those are mission critical, but the Historical Preservation Committee isn’t; he also stated that he did not feel there would be support from the Board, as a whole, for increasing financial support for historic preservation. He acknowledged it is important, but said competition for tax dollars is high. Russ Brown went on the record saying if it was up to him, he would not support Skip’s suggestion. Robert reminded the group
that the job of the commission is to place historic sites and building on a register and to help get those who qualify to be placed as national historic register. Commissioner Fillios went over the discussion of the Romer Building. The commission asked why they were not notified or aware, even though the building is not on the registry. Laurie advised the commission that Pend Oreille City is the first property in Kootenai County going on the registry since 2001. She said she would push for the commission to be better with surveying properties. Commissioner Fillios advised the commission to tell Skip Fuller that the funding is not going to increase. Commissioner Fillios brought forward that Ellen Larsen contacted him (speaking of the Bird Museum), “The North Idaho Museum should be sharing with others, expertise and meetings.” John made a motion to take that under advisement. Russ seconded the motion. The vote was taken; the motion carried. Commissioner Fillios exited at 4:16 pm.

2. **Garden District Grant & Schedule Update**
   - Per Laurie and Jody, nobody had heard anything back. Robert advised that the city may be looking to create their own CLG program. Coeur d’Alene is the only city in the state of Idaho that does not have a Preservation Commission. Robert advised that the commission may have to redo the schedule, due to losing time waiting for the money and deadlines.

3. **Board Membership – New Member Welcome & Open Position Review**
   - The commission welcomed two new members, Jonathan Mueller and Walter Burns. On the next meeting, the commission may consider a motion to award Sharon Boswell the Reconnaissance Survey Contract.

4. **Historic Preservation Budget Narrative**
   - Jody presented the narrative from the previous meeting. She noted to the commission that the group is a Historic Preservation Commission, not a Historic Society. Jonathan moved to approve the narrative that Jody suggested. Robert seconded the motion. The vote was taken; the motion passed. Jody Bieze exited 4:24 pm.

C. **Open Floor**
   - No public comments were made

D. **Adjourn**
   There being no further discussion of agenda items or public comment, Russ Brown moved to adjourn; Jonathan seconded the motion.

Chairman Robert Singletary adjourned the meeting at 4:31 p.m.

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Chandra Newberry, Recording Secretary