

Waterways Advisory Committee Agenda

Special Meeting: WIF Workshop

Thursday, December 16, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

Commissioners Conference Room – 3rd Floor

1500 Hwy 2, Ste. 338, Sandpoint, ID 83864

Members Present: Matt Zoeller, Ray Pipella, Win Taylor, Tom Trulock, Jim Brausen, Forrest Schuck, Molly McCahon - Zoom

Members Absent: Tom Trulock

Others Present: Kerry Delair

Matt opened the meeting at 1:05 p.m.

Does anyone present need assistance to hear, see or participate in these proceedings?

Discussion Regarding Applying for Waterways Improvement Funds (WIF) for Potential Projects and Project Costs

Jason Welker, City of Sandpoint: Last WIF grant applied for by City was for Memorial Boat Ramp; Mark Sauter approached the city to apply for a WIF grant for low water access at City Beach and year-round dock for Marine Sheriff boat; for dredging alone it would be approximately \$3 million for dredging alone. Some other projects they are interested in for the City Beach are the docks at the west end need repair and so does the parking lot needs to be repaved. Further discussion regarding City Beach.

Matt discussed the grant award for \$60k (ORFAC)

Ray discussed WIF grants from last year

Matt brought up the need for a tow rig, in the \$60-80k range. That is the only thing the County would be going for at this time. Ray said he hasn't seen a vehicle approved for a WIF grant.

Molly asked if we knew how much grant money was available. Discussion followed. Believes a feasibility study should be done for a Marine Sheriff boat year-round at City Beach.

Brief discussion on lake levels year-round depending on the dam. This problem is elevated within the Army Corp.

Overall, the committee is in favor of repaving or new docks at City Beach.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:55p.m.

Next meeting: January 16, 2025 @ 9:00 a.m.

Deputy Clerk: Alisa Schoeffel

Approved By Matt Zoeller

1/23/25
Date

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