

Waterways Advisory Committee Minutes

Thursday, January 16, 2025, 2:30 p.m.

Commissioners Conference Room – 3rd Floor

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

Members Present: Matt Zoeller, Ray Pipella, Jim Brausen, Tom Trulock

Members Absent: Molly McMahon, Doug McGeachy, Win Taylor, Forrest Schuck

Others Present: Kerry Delair, Commissioner Korn

Matt opened the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

NO QUORUM

Approval of the WWAB minutes from October 17, 2024, and Special Meeting minutes from December 16, 2024.

Public Comment

- Margi Broderick – Concerns about the RR hauling hazardous waste carried on train through the area and concerns about geoengineering/chem trails

Miscellaneous Business: Action Items / Discussion / Decision / Recommendation

- A) Project 7B and Kaniksu Land Trust Presentation
 - Katie Cox, Kaniksu Land Trust
 - Working on the water trail, public access points, resources; discussed the project focusing on public access points/existing rights of ways with issues; discussed cable locks across public rights of way; would like the County to have this area surveyed to address the issues
 - Discussion regarding grant opportunities
 - Discussion on GIS map adding a public access layer on the water trail and working with the neighbors at these sites
 - Discussion regarding docks without encroachment permits and ROW validations
- B) Action Item: Vote to Support Project 7B and Kaniksu Land Trust for ROW Validation

Parks & Waterways Updates/Reports

A) Matt Zoeller, Director

1) ORFAC Grant Update –

There was discussion regarding the ORFAC grant, the need for a new tow vehicle, WWAB By-Laws/Resolution, buoys, meeting frequency, and the budget.

New Business: Action Items / Discussion / Decision / Recommendation

A) Action Item: Vote to Support Bonner County Waterways WIF Grant

B) Action Item: Vote to Support City of Sandpoint Waterways WIF Grant

There was discussion regarding the need for a Special Meeting so that there could be a vote on these time sensitive items.

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Old Business: Action Items / Discussion / Decision / Recommendation

A) Action Item: Buoy Process: A 3 Part Document.

There was discussion regarding this process, it will be revisited when there is a quorum.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Next meeting: Special Meeting 01/23/2025 @ 9:00 a.m.

Deputy Clerk: *Alisa Schoeffel*

Math Zoeller

Approved By

1/23/25

Date

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