

**Minutes of Meeting  
Business Meeting  
December 23, 2014  
2:00 p.m.**

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Todd Tondee and Commissioner Dan Green, via telephone, met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Grants Management Office Director Jody Bieze, Chief Deputy Prosecutor Barry Black, Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Pat Braden, KC Emergency Medical Services System Chief Christopher Way, MV Transportation General Manager Resha Oylear, First Transit General Manager Bob VanGuilder, Hospice of Idaho Executive Director Kim Ransier and Director of Finance Sarah McCracken and Deputy Clerk Mary Enquist. Also present were citizen Tina Kunishige. Commissioner Jai Nelson was excused.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Todd Tondee called the meeting to order at 2:23 p.m., but without a quorum went into recess at 2:23 p.m. Commissioner Dan Green joined via telephone and Chairman Tondee reconvened the meeting at 2:39 p.m.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Tondee led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. Approval of Consent Calendar:** Chairman Tondee read the items listed on the Consent Calendar.

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Affidavit of Treasurer's Report 12/19/14

BOCC Signatures for Indigent Cases 12/11/14 through 12/17/14

Commissioner Green moved to approve the Consent Calendar as read into the record by Chairman Tondee. Chairman Tondee seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Enquist called the roll:

Commissioner Nelson:           Excused

Commissioner Green:           Aye

Chairman Tondee:           Aye

The motion carried.

- D. Payables List:** Chairman Tondee presented the Payables List for December 15, 2014 through December 19, 2014.

Commissioner Green moved to approve the Payables Summary for December 15, 2014 in the amount of \$489,223.69, and Jury Panel Payments in the amount of \$1,978.28. Chairman Tondee seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Enquist called the roll:

Commissioner Nelson:           Excused

Commissioner Green:           Aye

Chairman Tondee:           Aye

The motion carried.

E. **Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda.

F. **Old Business:** There was no old business discussed.

G. **New Business:**

1. **Public Hearing: Rate Change/Hospice Transfers/Kootenai County Emergency Medical Services System**

Chairman Tondee opened the Public Hearing at 2:41 p.m.

Kootenai County Emergency Medical Services System (KCEMSS) Chief Christopher Way said KCEMSS recognized that the previous agreement with Hospice of North Idaho was not allowable by law and had to be cancelled. The new resolution being brought forward to the Board today will set the hospice transfer rate at \$10 over the Medicare allowable rate for any level of service, because Medicare can change the allowable rates at any time. Chief Way asked the Board to consider making this agreement retroactive to January 1, 2014.

Chairman Tondee invited the public to comment in favor, against or neutral regarding the Rate Change/Hospice Transfers. Comments were received from one (1) individual:

Ms. Kim Ransier, Hospice of North Idaho, 9493 N Government Way, Hayden ID, expressed how Hospice appreciates Chief Way working with them, and the organization would very much seek approval for the new contract.

Commissioner Green moved to close taking testimony at the public hearing for the rate changes/hospice transfers. Chairman Tondee seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Enquist called the roll:

Commissioner Nelson:	Excused
Commissioner Green:	Aye
Chairman Tondee:	Aye

The motion carried.

The Public Comment portion of the hearing was closed at 2:45 p.m.

Commissioner Green moved to adopt the rate changes for the hospice transfers with the Emergency Medical Services System and to be effective retro back to January 1, 2014. Chairman Tondee seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Enquist called the roll:

Commissioner Nelson:	Excused
Commissioner Green:	Aye
Chairman Tondee:	Aye

The motion carried.

**2. Recommendation/Demand Response Services/Paratransit**

Grants Management Office Director Jody Bieze said the Grants Management Office has reviewed the scores and recommended MV Transportation for the demand response services for paratransit.

Commissioner Green moved to award the bid to MV Transportation as the new demand response services for paratransit and start negotiating a contract. Chairman Tondee seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Enquist called the roll:

Commissioner Nelson: Excused

Commissioner Green: Aye

Chairman Tondee: Aye

The motion carried.

**H. Public Comment:** 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.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

DAVID STEWART, CHAIRMAN

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mary Enquist, Deputy Clerk

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