

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**Area Agency on Aging: Semi-Annual Update**  
**April 20, 2015**  
**11:00 a.m.**

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman David Stewart, Commissioner Marc Eberlein and Commissioner Dan Green met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Area Agency on Aging of North Idaho Executive Director Jeffery Hill and Community Services Manager Ryan Sheppard; Kootenai County Commissioners' Liaison Colleen Allison, and Deputy Clerk Mary Enquist.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman David Stewart called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.
- B. Introductions:** Attendees introduced themselves.
- C. Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda.
- D. Old Business:** There was no old business discussed.
- E. New Business:**

**Presentation of the Semi-Annual Report**

Area Agency on Aging of North Idaho (Agency) Executive Director Jeffery Hill said that Colleen Allison's appointment as the Kootenai County Commissioners' Liaison to the Agency needs to be renewed. The Board agreed, and said they will send a renewal letter for Ms. Allison to him.

Mr. Hill said the Agency works with five northern counties (Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Kootenai, and Shoshone). He said the Agency's purpose is to keep seniors living independently in their homes as long as possible. The services range from home-delivered meals and transportation assistance to respite for the care giver, plus an Ombudsman who makes visits to the seniors living in nursing homes, assisted living or residential care facilities to ensure seniors' rights are being upheld and protected.

Mr. Hill said that Ms. Allison is helping with the FY2015 grant application to continue funding for the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). In FY2014, 527 volunteers worked 80,737 hours providing services to the five northern counties. In Kootenai County, 367 volunteers worked 56,505 hours. Mr. Hill said funding comes mostly from the federal government and from Idaho's Senior Services Act.

Mr. Hill asked the Board to share the Agency's information with others. Commissioner Green suggested putting the Agency's link on the County's website. The Board directed Mr. Hill to contact Information Services Director James Martin to put the Agency's link on the County website, and gave Mr. Hill permission to place the Agency's brochures at the information desk in the Administration building.

- F. Public Comment:** This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County related issue. There was no public comment.

With no further business, Chairman Stewart adjourned the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

DAVID STEWART, CHAIRMAN

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Mary Enquist, Deputy Clerk

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