

Minutes of Meeting
Lake City Development Corporation
May 6, 2015
7:30 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman David Stewart, Commissioner Dan Green and Commissioner Marc Eberlein participated in the Lake City Development Corporation's Special Strategic Planning Session held at the Kroc Community Center. Numerous other groups sent representatives, including North Idaho College, Jobs Plus, the City of Coeur d'Alene, Lewis-Clark State College, and the University of Idaho. Kootenai County Clerk Jim Brannon was present, and Chief Deputy Clerk Pat Raffee captured partial minutes focused primarily on the three County Commissioners' remarks.

- A. Call to Order:** Lake City Development Corporation (LCDC) Chairman Denny Davis called the meeting to order at 7:34 a.m. and welcomed attendees.
- B. Introductions:** There were no introductions made. A moment of silence was observed in honor of Coeur d'Alene Police Sergeant Greg Moore's death in the line of duty.
- C. Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda.
- D. Old Business:** There was no old business discussed.
- E. New Business:**

North Idaho College President Joe Dunlap gave an update on the college's current and future building projects.

Jobs Plus President Gynii Gilliam gave an update on her organization's business recruitment efforts. After her remarks on attracting aerospace organizations, Kootenai County Commissioner Dan Green asked if that industry's growth locally needs to be on the CdA Airport grounds. When Ms. Gilliam responded in the affirmative, Commissioner Green assured her the County had an inventory of parcels from which her clients could choose.

County Commission Chairman David Stewart told LCDC's Board about pay increases for the Sheriff's patrol and command staff. He also gave kudos to Community Development Director David Callahan's progress increasing the user-friendliness of development actions, and said the County was working with the City of Hayden on the Ramsey Road extension. He described the possible plan to move Drivers Licensing and Motor Vehicle Licensing departments out to the Fairgrounds area to ease downtown congestion and County Administration Campus parking limitations. This generated several questions from LCDC Board members including Mic Armon, Denny Davis, Dave Patzer and Deeana Goodlander.

Commissioner Green fielded most of the questions, explaining that the current Board of County Commissioners doesn't perceive value in a parking garage or in expanding the courtroom spaces at the Admin Campus as outlined in the Facilities Master Plan developed by the previous Board of County Commissioners.

Commissioner Marc Eberlein described Airport collaboration improvements among its many constituencies, and in response to a question from LCDC Board member Brad Jordan, said there was continuing exploration of regional air service coming to the Airport.

City of Coeur d'Alene Mayor Steve Widmyer and City Administrator Jim Hammond presented several City project updates and offered thanks to LCDC for their partnerships.

Lewis Clark State College (LCSC) representative Rocky Owens noted his institution's growth in Coeur d'Alene. He said LCSC had graduated 143 people the prior Sunday, and that their student demographics were trending younger.

University of Idaho's Dr. Charles Buck discussed his institution's computer science curriculum growth, emphasizing robotics, water quality, and health information. Dr. Buck also described Vision 2030's progress on 178 actions identified in last summer's community planning.

County Commission Chairman David Stewart left at 9:41 a.m.

After public comment, LCDC Chairman Davis adjourned the public portion of the meeting at 9:45 a.m. At that time Commissioners Eberlein and Green, along with Clerk Brannon, left the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

DAVID STEWART, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____

Pat Raffee, Chief Deputy Clerk