

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**GIS Programming Need**  
**May 11, 2015**  
**9:30 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 Information Systems Director James Martin and GIS Manager David Christianson, and Deputy Clerk Mary Enquist.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman David Stewart called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.
- B. Introductions:** There were no introductions.
- C. Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda.
- D. Old Business:** There was no old business discussed.
- E. New Business:**

Information Systems Director James Martin said the County is faced with problems with the software platforms that run our GIS web sites. He said the County's use of Microsoft's Silverlight is a problem because:

  - Google's Chrome browser has stopped supporting websites built with Silverlight.
  - Internet Explorer and Firefox are likely to stop their support of Silverlight soon.
  - Numerous County web pages use Silverlight including KCEarth, the Elections Polling Place Look-up, the Assessor's Valuation application, and 911.

Mr. Martin said the County runs the risk of having these web pages stop working very soon, for a large majority of their users unless Silverlight is replaced.

GIS Manager David Christianson said he has a cost-effective proposal, temporarily hiring a former County employee with knowledge of the County's GIS systems to rewrite the County's Silverlight applications in HTML 5 and Java Script. The former County employee is Dave Williamson, who recently retired as GIS Systems Coordinator for the City of Post Falls. Mr. Christianson's plan was for Mr. Williamson to do the rewrite, then turn over maintenance of the system to the County's existing GIS staff.

Mr. Martin proposed having the County pay Mr. Williamson \$20 per hour with no benefits, up to a limit of 225 hours of this programming service. Mr. Martin said Information Systems has an overtime budget balance of \$6,439 remaining in FY2015, and asked for authorization to spend up to \$4,500 for Mr. Williamson's services, with the project completed before October 1, 2015. Commissioner Green recommended Mr. Martin move money to his temporary position budget and contact Human Resources Director Skye Reynolds to assist with setting up the temporary position. The other Commissioners agreed with Commissioner Green's recommendation.
- F. Public Comment:** This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County related issue. There was no public comment.

Chairman Stewart adjourned the meeting at 9:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

DAVID STEWART, CHAIRMAN

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Mary Enquist, Deputy Clerk

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