

**Minutes of Meeting
Parks & Waterways
October 11, 2016
11:00 a.m.**

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Dan Green and Commissioner David Stewart met to discuss the following agenda item. Also present were Parks & Waterways Director Nick Snyder and Deputy Clerk Randi Davis. Also present was North Idaho Centennial Trail Foundation Board member Jon Ingalls. Commissioner Marc Eberlein was excused.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Dan Green called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda:** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. New Business:**

Discussion of Highway 95 Trail

Chairman Green discussed a potential Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County and Idaho Department of Transportation (ITD) concerning maintenance of the Highway 95 bicycle trail. He suggested taking a recess to allow time for ITD District Engineer Damon Allen to arrive for the meeting.

Chairman Green called for a recess at 11:05 a.m.

Chairman Green reconvened the meeting at 11:15 a.m. with Mr. Allen and City of Coeur d'Alene Trails Coordinator Monte McCully in attendance.

Mr. Allen said he had met with City of Hayden City Administrator Brett Boyer to discuss proceeding with a MOU that would allow local jurisdictions to maintain the trail. He said the City had not made a decision to participate in the MOU yet. Chairman Green suggested creating a Joint Powers agreement similar to the one that was currently in place for the Centennial Trail. He said the new Joint Powers agreement for the Highway 95 trail would consist of the County and the Cities of Coeur d'Alene and Hayden. Chairman Green pointed out the MOU would state that the County was accepting the property from ITD on behalf of the other parties. Commissioner David Stewart agreed, as did Mr. McCully.

Chairman Green asked whether the grant money that ITD would receive to improve the trail was predicated on establishing an MOU. Mr. Allen confirmed it was not. He said ITD wanted to have an MOU established before new County Commissioners took office in January 2017.

Commissioner Marc Eberlein entered the meeting at 11:24 a.m.

Commissioner Eberlein discussed potential costs the County would incur maintaining the trail. He was unsupportive of the County entering an MOU to accept the trail because of maintenance costs.

Chairman Green directed Mr. Snyder to present to Hayden the current Joint Powers MOU that was in place for the Centennial Trail, with appropriate amendments for the Highway 95 trail.

D. 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.

Chairman Green adjourned the meeting at 11:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

DANIEL H. GREEN, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Randi Davis, Deputy Clerk
