

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**Waterways Advisory Board –July 18, 2016**  
**Room 1B - Kootenai County Administration Building**  
**Coeur d’Alene, Idaho**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Doug Allman, Jim Aucutt, Norm Blakney, Craig Brosenne, John Condon, Brad Pendleton, Terry Werner.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Commissioner Mark Eberlein; Jake Strange, Supervisor, Parks & Waterways; Lieutenant Stu Miller Sheriff’s Office; Deputy Dale Johnson, Sheriff’s Office Recreation Safety Division; Sergeant Will Klinkefus, Sheriff’s Office Recreation Safety Division; Ranell Schwartz, Recording Secretary

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ron Deady, Kevin Westfall, John R. Tompkins, John R Aukofer, Jim Doty, Mike Paquin, Bob Nonini, Greg Delavan, Don Gary.

Chairman John Condon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. No conflicts of interest were declared by Advisory Board members.

**MOTION:** Jim Aucutt moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting with a date correction. The motion was seconded; all were in favor; the motion carried.

***NEW BUSINESS***

**REGULATORY MARKER APPLICATION-DELAVAN’S MARINA:**

Greg Delavan presented an application for a SLOW NO WAKE buoy at Delavan’s Marina on Lake Coeur d’Alene. He is concerned about the increase in PWC use causing safety issues at this commercial facility. There was some discussion about the permitting process, cost and MOU with the County.

**MOTION:** Jim Aucutt moved to approve the request for a no-wake buoy at Delavan’s Marina. The motion was seconded; Craig Brosenne made a comment that the terms must be consistent with the MOU with the County. All were in favor; the motion carried.

**REGULATORY MARKER APPLICATION-JAMES DOTY:**

James Doty presented an application for a SLOW NO WAKE buoy at his residence on Hayden Lake. The board advised him that historically these requests by private citizens have not been approved by this board .There was some discussion about the unpermitted buoys currently on the lake. The Sherriff’s office stated that the Marine Patrol does respond to reported problem areas as resources and man power allows but they have a limited number of teams this season. Mr. Doty was advised that he could post an educational sign at the end of his dock regarding the 200 ft no wake zone or that an educational buoy could be deployed temporarily.

**MOTION:** Jim Aucutt moved to recommend to the Commissioner that they deny the request for the buoy in Hayden Lake and request that the Waterways department look at this location and see if it would be appropriate to install an educational buoy. The motion was seconded. All were in favor except Terry Werner who voted no; the motion carried.

Mr. Werner expressed concern that private land owners on the lake are not given the same opportunity that commercial marinas have. This was followed by more discussion.

**SPOKANE RIVER WAKE BOAT DISCUSSION:**

Bob Nonini, who lives on the Spokane River, opened the discussion. He stated that wave action causes water to wash over his seawall and cause erosion in his yard. He is very concerned about Wake Surf Boats causing this damage to property all along the river. Chairman Condon read Idaho Statue 67-7016 and stated that we already have a tool to address the problem, but education, signage and enforcement is the issue. Discussion continued regarding a possible workshop to discuss these issues further. Chairman Condon stated that this topic will be the priority at the next Waterways Advisory Board meeting. The board is seeking solutions and instructed the Parks and Waterways department to set up a format for comments on the County website. There are already groups in place for discussion of these solutions, i.e.: property owners associations and boating groups. Lieutenant Stu Miller pointed out that education is a key issue. They offer Boater Safety Courses but only average 8 to 10 attending each class.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS**

Spokane River regulations

**STAFF REPORTS**

Jake Strange, Parks & Waterways: New docks that were built in-house were installed at Bayview last week. The Hauser parking lot was re-stripped. Marine pump out machines at 3<sup>rd</sup> street and 11<sup>th</sup> street docks have been repaired. Staff has been doing lots of maintenance and rehab in order to keep fire danger down at Mowry Park.

Stu Miller, KCSO: Will be posting speed limit signs on the CDA River in cooperation with the Parks & Waterways department.

Ranell Schwartz, Parks & Waterways (on behalf of Nick Snyder): a WIF grant was awarded for the Hauser Docks. It is currently in the bid process. The Harrison Breakwater project Tier 1 Grant was awarded for \$170,000. These funds will be used for engineering in order to apply for more grants. The department has a contract with an engineer from Portland. An RTP grant will be submitted for the sealcoat of the Centennial Trail. This project should be done every five years.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Ranell Schwartz*

Recording Secretary