

Minutes of Meeting
Emergency Meeting – Kootenai County Windstorm
Pursuant to Idaho Code §74-204(2)
January 14, 2021
10:30 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios, Commissioner Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Assessor Bela Kovacs, Chief Deputy Assessor Joe Johns, Treasurer Steve Matheson, Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Director Tiffany Westbrook, Deputy Finance Director Keith Taylor, BOCC Communications Manager Nancy Jones and Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present was Coeur d’Alene Press Reporter Madison Hardy.

- A. **Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.
- B. **Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. **Business (Action):**

Ratify Resolution 2021-05 (Disaster Emergency Declaration – Kootenai County Windstorm) which limits disaster emergency declaration to seven (7) days

Chairman Fillios stated this emergency meeting had been called because he had signed a disaster declaration yesterday, based on the power outages and other damage caused by the windstorm. He said he decided to act immediately, rather than waiting for seven days to elapse. He asked the Board to ratify the declaration.

Commissioner Leslie Duncan moved that the Board ratify Resolution 2021-05. Commissioner Bill Brooks seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Ginorio called the roll:

Commissioner Brooks: Aye
Commissioner Duncan: Aye
Chairman Fillios: Aye

The motion carried.

Approve Resolution 2021-06 (Disaster Emergency Declaration – Kootenai County Windstorm) which allows disaster emergency declaration beyond seven (7) days pursuant to I.C. 46-1011(1)

Chairman Fillios asked the Board to approve Resolution 2021-06, the official declaration by the BOCC that needed to be completed within the seven days.

Commissioner Duncan moved that the Board approve Resolution 2021-06 which extends the disaster emergency declaration until it is revoked. Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Ginorio called the roll:

Commissioner Brooks: Aye
Commissioner Duncan: Aye
Chairman Fillios: Aye

The motion carried.

Commissioner Duncan said she felt they needed to address the designation on time cards to be used Wednesday, since the BOCC closed the building. She stated employees who did not come in should list it as Admin Leave.

- 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.

Office of Emergency Management (OEM) confirmed that about 4,000 people were still without power under Kootenai Electric Cooperative. She added that Avista had reported over 62,000 outages yesterday but she had no data on the current state of their repairs.

- E. Adjournment (Action):** Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk
