

Minutes of Meeting
Aquifer Protection District FY22 Budget Review
June 16, 2021
2:00 p.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios, Commissioner Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda item. Also present were Finance Director Dena Darrow, Staff Accountant – Budget Michelle Chiaramonte, BOCC Communications Manager Nancy Jones and Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present was Aquifer Protection District Board Chair Necia Maiani. Commissioner Brooks, Commissioner Duncan and Ms. Jones were present via teleconference.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Business (Action):**

FY22 Aquifer Protection District Budget Review with Chair Necia Maiani

Aquifer Protection District Board Chair Necia Maiani remarked that it had been a quiet year for them. She said their total budget recommendation for the Board of \$525,628, which was 4% less than the prior year’s request. She noted that \$89,000 of the amount was carryover expenditures from last year, on projects that had not been completed due to COVID.

Ms. Maiani reported that they had received five new external requests, totaling about \$403,000. She said the items carried forward from last year were the Aquifer Atlas printing for about \$30,000, the Kootenai County Fairgrounds educational monitoring well, currently scheduled for this coming December, and the Aquifer Recharge Areas.

Ms. Maiani said the new requests for the year were from DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality) for \$96,031, Panhandle Health District for \$282,797, the Confluence Project for \$15,000, the Spokane River Forum for \$6,000 and AgroMET for \$3,400 for maintenance on the weather stations.

Ms. Maiani remarked that for the next year, their internal priority would be on the critical recharge area protection. She reminded the Commissioners that her group had entered into a contract last year with Rand Wickman, who had been helping them contact property owners in Rathdrum and Hauser. She said they had set aside about \$800,000 in a fund for this project and hoped to expend it over the next two years or so.

BOCC Communications Manager Nancy Jones commented that some of the documents provided needed to be updated. She suggested the Commissioners make allowances for that in the motion.

Commissioner Leslie Duncan moved that the Board approve the submission of the FY22 Aquifer Protection District Budget, in the amount of \$525,628. 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.

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.

E. Adjournment (Action): Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 2:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk
