

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**FY23 Budget Deliberations**  
**June 27, 2022**  
**3:00 p.m.**

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios, Commissioner Leslie Duncan, and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Clerk Jim Brannon, Chief Deputy Clerk Jennifer Locke, Deputy Finance Director Keith Taylor, Staff Accountant – Budget Brandi Falcon, Elections Manager Asa Gray, Court Services Director Marissa Garza, Sheriff Bob Norris, Undersheriff Brett Nelson, Captains Kevin Smart, Stu Miller and Andy Deak, Lieutenants Wil Klinkefus and Jarred Peterson, Chief Budget Officer Stephanie Drobny, Trial Court Administrator Karlene Behringer, Human Resources Director Sylvia Proud, Community Development Administrative Manager Reba Grytness, BOCC Senior Business Analyst Nanci Plouffe, Communications Coordinator Jonathan Gillham, and Deputy Clerk Ronnie Davisson. Also present were North Idaho Fairgrounds General Manager Alexcia Jordan, Fair Board Chair Jerry Johnson, Vice Chair Elise Burton, and Member Linda Rider.

- A. **Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.
- B. **Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. **Business:**

1. **FY23 Budget Deliberations to Include “B” Budget (Operating) With Staff Accountant Brandi Falcon (Action)**

Staff Accountant - Brandi Falcon opened the meeting by presenting a copy of the Preliminary Summary, pointing out that they were still waiting to see what the Health Insurance increases would be and also that personnel costs would be fluctuating.

The Board discussed the amount to give to the Fair this year. Commissioner Bill Brooks said he was amenable to \$150,000, whereas Commissioner Leslie Duncan said she wanted to research further before committing. Chairman Fillios agreed with Commissioner Brooks on the \$150,000. Ms. Falcon said she would add the \$150,000 to the Budget.

Ms. Falcon asked if the Board wished to discuss Fleet Management, as she had received multiple questions about new cars and mentioned that the Sheriff’s Office had requested four additional Detective vehicles. Undersheriff Brett Nelson explained that they initially asked for 8 detective vehicles, but Fleet Management had advised them to ask for four because there were already four available for the detectives. Ms. Falcon pointed out that they had surplus funds in their budget to add two CSO vehicles if the Board was amenable. Commissioner Duncan said that they could have further discussion on the additional vehicles.

**2. FY23 Budget Deliberations to Include "A" Budget (Personnel) With Staff Accountant Brandi Falcon (Action)**

Commissioner Duncan requested analysis on the Bailiff's overtime usage at District Court. Trial Court Administrator Karlene Behringer said that 95% of the overtime funds requested would most likely be used by the Bailiffs, with the other 5% being used by the Trial Court Assistant. She said that with the civil jury trials beginning again, it would require more overtime usage as they were averaging 8 to 9 trials per week.

Commissioner Duncan explained that she wanted to give the Coeur d'Alene Economic Development Corp. zero funding this year as there was a housing crisis and a labor shortage, and did not think that the taxpayers should be funding a private organization during these times.

Commissioner Duncan also suggested that she did not want to fund Heritage Health because she did not believe in funding a company that sponsored such polarizing events and that it was a bad use of taxpayer dollars. She mentioned that she would be willing to compromise on funding up to \$25,000 for both entities if needed.

Chairman Fillios said that he believed the funding that Heritage Health received went towards scholarships and that he would hold firm on both entities funding amounts.

Both Commissioner Duncan and Chairman Fillios advised everyone to keep a close eye on their overtime usage and to draw a hard line on mid-year personnel changes.

**D. Public Comment (Discussion):** 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.

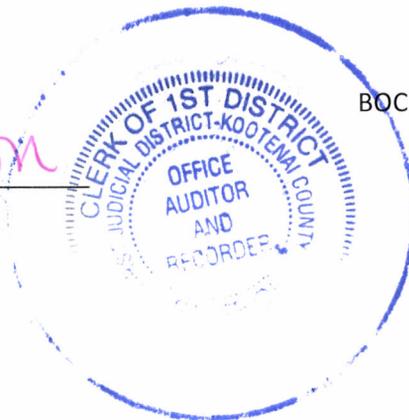
**E. Adjourn:** Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 3:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

BY:

*Ronnie Davisson*  
Ronnie Davisson, Deputy Clerk



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