Waterways Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 9:00 am  
Commissioners Meeting Room  
1500 Hwy 2, Suite 338  
Sandpoint, ID 83864  

**Members Present:** Terry Jensen, Jim Thorpe, Doug Cossette, Ed Jochum, Molly McCahon & Keith Scheckler  
**Commissioners:** Commissioner Dan McDonald  
**Staff:** Steve Klatt, Rob Stepp & Jim Aney  
**Others:** Bob Lizotte, Ray Pipella & Betsy Hull

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Jensen opened the meeting and asked if anyone present needed assistance to hear, see or participate in these proceedings.

Does anyone present need assistance to hear, see or participate in these proceedings?

I. Public Comment – there was no public comment

II. Adopt Minutes from January Meeting  
Keith Scheckler moved to adopt the January meeting minutes. Molly McCahon seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion passed.

III. Old Business  
A. Maintenance Report – Rob Stepp + Jim Aney – parks  
   Rob Stepp provided updates on the following:  
   - Winter clean up  
   - Piling hoops at the dock in Garfield Bay  
   - Sunnyside - piling & light was damaged from ice  
   - To do list  
     - New truck to adapt to our needs  
     - Sewer line at bottle bay  
     - #32 sign at Garfield repair  
     - Low water dock at Laclede  
   Jim Aney provided updates on the following:  
   - Equipment preparation  
   - Garfield Bay beach fire pits  
   - BPW sidewalk  
   - Adding two new sites at Garfield Bay campground  
   - Winter clean up

B. Priest Lake Study  
Steve Klatt provided an update advising that we now have a consultant under contract. We are meeting now with the steering committee PL residents, along with Molly. Julie Halliday was reassigned to assist part time with the Priest Lake Study. It is officially underway. There will be a website set up with Water Resources, that we will be posting information and allow public questions, etc.
C. Budget Review  
Steve advised that funds were moved to cover Julie Halliday’s salary. Our budget is in good shape. We anticipate expenditures under capital construction that will go towards navigational lights buoys, and a number of things that need to be purchased and installed.

D. March Projects  
Steve provided a copy of a weekly project list to the Committee. (See Attached) He commented that he would like to get a Priest Lake subcommittee formed to meet with every month or two to discuss areas of hazards, and so I can have direct information coming to me from Priest Lake.

There was a brief discussion regarding the bottle bay sewer connection between Molly & Steve.

IV. New Business  
A. River Wake Awareness Committee  
We have come up with a couple of things; two versions of what we are trying to do. Molly stated that she created a newer postcard (see attached) The main message is to discourage the wakes; we can edit if needed. Steve and Molly explained where these would be available: Gas stations, docks, etc. There was a brief discussion amongst the WWAC regarding this brochure postcard.

B. Closing Hours – certain facilities  
There is an increasing nuisance factor at our Coolin facility. We’ve got residents that are using the facility after hours on a frequent basis. There was a lengthy discussion amongst the WWAC, Steve Klatt, Dan McDonald and audience regarding this item.

C. Slee Street Dock extension  
There was a plan years ago to recycle the docks. The current plan is to expand the docks for two hour moorage along bishops break water. The docks were not suitable, and project is on the back burner. Boundary County offered used recyclable docks to Bonner County. The permit was expired, however Steve requested and extension of the permit and it was accepted. We will use the recycled docks if they are structurally sound. There will be 60’ of side docks for moorage. It is anticipated that this project should be completed by the Fourth of July.

D. Future Project Ideas?  
Steve spoke regarding the future needs program for the BOCC. It’s not certain that there is an existing 5 year plan in place. It was suggested that the WWAC start identifying the future needs for this program. Steve encouraged the WWAC to start thinking about this; 5 – 10 year plan to be revisit every year, current budget prioritizing. There was a lengthy discussion amongst the WWAC, Steve Klatt, Dan McDonald and audience regarding this item.

E. Priest Lake Public Meeting Suggestions  
Ed Jochum provided and update (background) regarding complaints of various issues, jet skis, loud music, engines, led light, wake issue, etc. on Priest Lake.
Ed provided copies of the two ordinances that were submitted to the WWAC as suggestions.
- Seattle Ordinance – regulates music, vessel noise
  Day and night decibel regulations
  Muffler restriction
- Kirkland ordinance
  Prohibits rafting of vessels, and anchoring
  Prohibits loud noise
  Restricts audible sound from the vessel

It is not clear what the citizens of Priest Lake are suggesting: all waterways, what distances, how to measure, rafting part of, singing and whistling part of, day or night, misdemeanor? Are they offering to draft the ordinance?

Ed Jochum made a motion to contact the Priest Lake residents requesting that they draft an ordinance outlining their recommendations, and then return it to the WWAC for review. Jim Thorpe seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion passed.

Steve & Darcey will draft a letter for the Chairman.

V. Miscellaneous Business
   A. Albeni Falls Dam Update – Betsy Hull
      Betsy provided updates on the following:
      - Rock Job at Riley Creek – halted due to weather. Will continue next winter.
      - Yesterday USACE initiated the emergency flood risk management protocol
        o Increase releases at Albeni Falls Dam through this weekend
        o The lake levels will remain at 2051 through March
        o Wettest October we have had, second wettest February we have ever had.
        o 2055 end of April – we will be there by the first of April this year.
      - There has been a real estate lease for navigation lights on corps property that has expired. We will get the real estate div lease paperwork complete and updated
      - Snow pack – we here in Schweitzer basin 90% part of basin is at 104% and some at 113%, we are good this year. (Molly) Below average for season in our basin, but for February we are above average.

VI. Featured Facility Review – a regular discussion idea
    Operation of Small Facilities with Immediate Neighbors
    Berry Lane, Outlet Bay, Coolin launch

Molly provided an update on inspection stations – basically the state did approve $1 million emergency funding. I am assuming it is available now, not really sure. They are intending to raise out of state invasive species stickers to $30. Not really what we wanted to see happen.

Betsy advised that they will be running dawn to dusk. The corps – under water resource act they were going to put out money – but now we have a new administrator and aren’t certain on the funding, or funding.
There was a brief discussion amongst the WWAC, Steve Klatt, Commissioner McDonald and the audience regarding boat registrations.

Ed suggested the meeting in July should be held in Priest Lake/Coolin. The Full WWAC was in favor of this suggestion.

VII. Adjournment
At 10:35 with no further business to come before the WWAC, Jim Thorpe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed Jochum seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion passed.

Terry Jensen, Chairman

April 20, 2017
Date Approved
Help Us Prevent More Boating Restrictions

Large Wakes Cause Damage....

Please

Run in the middle

Avoid repetitive circles near shore

Respect swimmers, shorelines, docks and vessels.

Avoid the Shore - Ride the Core
### BONNER COUNTY PARKS & WATERWAYS WEEKLY PROJECTS

**WEEK OF: March 14th, 2017**

**Project Priority for 2017**
- Boat - Gas Fumes - Bilge
- Launch Lot Marking
- Buoy Anchors
- Hoist lift kit - new truck
- Boat Hoist
- Poo Bags - Garfild, Bon Pk. W, Dog Beach
- Docks - Garfield secondary ramp
- Power to Garfield Picnic Restrooms
- Rub rail boards - Lacleda & BPW pier
- Dock slotted sections - Hope
- Swimmer Access spots

#### MONDAY - ROB
- Voter Booths
- Sunnyside Crowsnest

#### JIM
- Voter Booths
- Sunnyside Crowsnest

#### STEVE

#### TUESDAY - ROB
- Sunnyside Crowsnest
- Strip Ford Winter gear

#### JIM
- Sunnyside Crowsnest
- Strip Ford Winter gear

#### STEVE
- BOCC

#### WEDNESDAY - ROB
- Voter Booths
- Sunnyside Crowsnest

#### JIM
- Voter Booths
- Sunnyside Crowsnest

#### STEVE

#### THURSDAY - ROB
- Waterways
- Sunnyside Crowsnest

#### JIM
- Waterways
- Sunnyside Crowsnest

#### STEVE
- Waterways

#### FRIDAY - ROB
- New truck - retrofit
- Sunnyside Crowsnest

#### JIM
- New truck - retrofit
- Sunnyside Crowsnest

#### STEVE

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