

August 19, 2026
Fernan Lake Advisory Committee Meeting
CDA Library, 702 Front Avenue, Coeur d' Alene, ID 83814
5:00 - 6:00 P.M.

1. Call meeting to order - *4:59pm*
2. Determination of Quorum - *Bob Moate, Monica Noce, Neil Nemec, Heidi Acuff, Audrey Watkins*
3. Are there any new agenda items? *No*
4. Recognize guests and public comments - *Doris Hoffman, Wanda Quinn, Brian White, Zach Dirksen, Paula Morano, Ray Watkins*
5. Topics for Discussion
 - Community Meeting - *Vote 3:1 (Heidi, Audrey, Bob: Neil) to hold meetings in succession (meeting 1 & 2) on 9/21/26, Agenda provided by Heidi*
 - Date 9/21/26, Time 5-6:30pm (includes meet/greet at end of meeting) *No change to date or start time*
 - Planning meeting with City Council on 8/10/26
 - Invite agencies/partners to speak: ICF, INLC, CDA Tribe, DEQ. Per 7/15/26 meeting, Mayor Watkins to invite ICF and DEQ (already emailing with Dan McCracken), Monica to email INLC and CDA Tribe *change to Agenda see above, 5 min intro for all Agencies (not be asked to present), will be asked to answer questions from public after conclusion of 2nd meeting*
 - Possible invitation: Dept of Lands, Fish & Game
 - On Google Drive Compendium File #8
 - Agenda and FLAC update powerpoint *Heidi provided new Agenda to hold meetings in succession (Meeting 1 & 2), Powerpoint (FLAC update) to be reviewed/discussed during Zoom meeting 8/26/26*
 - On Google Drive Compendium File #8
 - Press Release with invitation to public *Heidi provided new Press Release, to be reviewed/discussed during Zoom meeting 8/26/26*
 - On Google Drive folder called "Press Release"
 - Education/Outreach: survey to be collected at the event, tally responses on FLAC website, possible sign-up for citizen scientist volunteers for 2027 *not discussed*
 - On Google Drive Compendium File #8
 - Planning meeting with City Council on 8/10/26
 - FLAC Priority List -
 - Water monitoring program
 - Tier 2 data, citizen science: obtain equipment, write a plan, establish SOP, train volunteers, establish funding (see list, Google Drive, Compendium File #11)

- Tier 3 data: hire a private company, obtain quotes
 - Left message with Aquatechnex, WSB (formerly Alta)
 - Consider TerraGraphics Envir. Eng, GeoEngineers
- TMDL on Fernan Creek *not discussed*
 - WAG (if required for TMDL)
- TMDL 5-year review on Fernan Lake due 2027 *not discussed*
- Discuss DEQs thoughts on Fernan Creek/Watershed possibly not being the largest contributor of phosphorus to the lake with Uofl Dr. Wilhelm, consider testing similar areas and comparing to previous studies? Test French Gulch? *not discussed*
- Community meeting with watershed landowners, villagers, and public (9/21/26)
- RFP advertisement/distribution
- FLAC Logo - review any suggestions brought to meeting *Heidi brought logos to consider for ICF, she will email them in color to all members to review, a logo will be chosen during the Zoom meeting 8/26/26 and sent to the City Council*
- City Website - Monica has requested a meeting with the website designer/manager *not discussed as a committee, but in response to public comment regarding interest in posted meeting dates and recent/upcoming activity of FLAC, Monica noted that planned updates are pending*
- FLAC meeting administration, Agendas, meeting minute approval *not discussed*
- Vacant FLAC seats (2) *not discussed*
 - Send suggestions to Mayor Ray Watkins, instructed to remove topic of group nominating or interviewing potential FLAC members from the FLAC agenda

6. Updates

- Kristine Regele (Small Waterways Coalition, likely focus group leader for Invasive Species) invited FLAC to attend the following meetings at IWRRI from 10am-1pm:
 - Aug 31st, Aquatic Invasive Species (both plant and mussel)
 - Sept 28th, Sediment Transport, Nutrient Adhesion, Surface Hydrology, and HABs
 - Asked us to present on Fernan Lake, current focus
 - Asked that we consider leading this focus group for the Coalition
 - Oct 26th, Status Report on Focus Groups
- Recap Small Waterways meeting 7/28 and 7/30 - Neil *(focus on wake boats and negative effect)*
- Water Monitoring Training and First Sample Collection 7/28/26 with Jerry Peterson
 - On Google Drive Compendium File #11
- Story/potential art project *not discussed*
- Meeting with Dan McCracken IDEQ with Heidi, Audrey and Mayor Ray Watkins on 4/21/26 - per 8/12/26 Mayor Watkins is actively corresponding with Dan, the Mayor will provide a summary or possible memorandum when available *not discussed*

7. Update from City Council

- City Council meeting 8/10/26
 - No specific lake topics discussed

8. Future Meeting Topics *not discussed*

- REMINDER: we need to raise \$20k in first year in the ICF 501(c)(3)
 - Consider making a Fernan Lake Property Owners Association with membership

fees?

- Ideas for fundraisers?
- Per Ordinance 197, “provide a yearly plan and calendar of events/goals for each year...plan is to be submitted for approval at the October council meeting”

9. Next Meeting Calendar Date

- *A date will be chosen during the Zoom meeting 8/26/26*

10. Adjournment