

CHILDCARE COMMISSION MINUTES
April 29, 2019
City of Coeur d Alene Library

Commissioners Present

Iris Siegler, Chair
Samantha Tuskan
Kim Torgerson
Andy Bjurstrom
Chris Bjurstrom
Susie Freligh

Staff Present

Kelley Setters, Deputy City Clerk
Renata McLeod, City Clerk

Commissioner Absent

Jolie Wenglikowski
Kathleen Shriner

Call to Order -

Chairman Siegler called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Roll Call – All present with the exception of Wenglikowski and Shriner.

Approval of the Minutes from March 18, 2019 meeting (action item)

Motion by Tuskan second by Torgerson to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2019 meeting; Motion carried.

Presentation re: Childcare Providers new Federal Background Check Standards by Sam Tuskan:

Sam Tuskan explained to childcare providers and facility owners the new federal enhanced background check requirements and step by step directions on how the new code will be implemented.

Currently, the city requires one background check on initial application and a repository check every year after. The new requirement is that upon initial application and every 5 years thereafter a city and state background check is required. The state background check includes the child protective services check, that the City is not able to access as a non-state agency. The changes to the code will be presented to City Council and implemented after it is approved. A letter will be provided to all childcare providers on how to proceed with the new background checks. The City will work with the state to send down a portion of the applicants at a time, as to not bog down the state's system, as all 398 licensee's will need to complete the background check over the next year.

Next meeting will be on May 20, 2019 at 6:30pm in Room 5 at Coeur d' Alene City Hall.

Adjournment

Motion by Tuskan to adjourn, seconded by Bjurstrom Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm