

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM
SPECIAL MEETING**

WEDNESDAY

11:00 A.M.

JANUARY 27, 2016

Board members present: Chairman Obie O'Brien; Vice-Chairman Paul Jewell & Commissioner Gary Berndt.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor; Peter Dykstra, Special Deputy Prosecutor and Bill Clarke (by phone), Special Deputy Prosecutor.

SPECIAL MEETING

CONTRACT EXTENSION

COMMISSIONERS

At 11:03 a.m. Chairman Berndt opened a Special Meeting to discuss a Contract extension with Bill Clarke & Peter Dykstra, Plauche & Carr LLP (Special Deputy Prosecutors for Kittitas County).

Peter Dykstra, Special Deputy Prosecutor for Kittitas County provided a brief review of the current Contract Extension request before the Board. He stated that they have been working on this project for two years and although it's been a much longer process than anticipated they are in uncharted territory. He stated that the County Staff has been working hard and has gained a great deal of respect from DOE, the Yakama Tribe and other key players.

Bill Clarke, Special Deputy Prosecutor for Kittitas County reviewed the work he has been doing in Olympia for the legislative portion of the project.

Peter Dykstra, Special Deputy Prosecutor for Kittitas County stated that he has truly appreciated the Staff at the County and noted that they have been extremely helpful throughout the process. He stated that he hopes to continue the work with the County.

Bill Clarke, Special Deputy Prosecutor for Kittitas County stated that there has been some discussion on a letter being drafted to outline all that has been accomplished. He stated that this would be handed out to Legislators etc., to clear up the misinformation in Olympia. The Board expressed their support for the letter being drafted.

Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor stated that he has been pleased with the efforts being made to include the Prosecutor's Office. He felt it was a noticeable difference from previous updates.

APPROVED

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AGREEMENT

CLARKE/DYKSTRA - EXTENSION

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Jewell moved to authorize Board signature on a Professional Services Agreement Extension with Plauche and Carr LLP (Peter Dykstra) and Bill Clarke Attorney at Law & Government Affairs with a new end date of June 30, 2016, noting that all other provisions of the Agreement shall remain unchanged. Commissioner Berndt seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

SPECIAL MEETING

EXECUTIVE SESSION

COMMISSIONERS

At 11:24 a.m. Chairman O'Brien announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for 30 minutes to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. No action was anticipated.

At 11:54 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. No action was taken.

At 11:54 a.m. the Chairman O'Brien announced the Board would recess back into Executive Session for 15 minutes to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. No action was anticipated.

At 12:19 p.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session.

AGREEMENT

PURCHASE & SALE

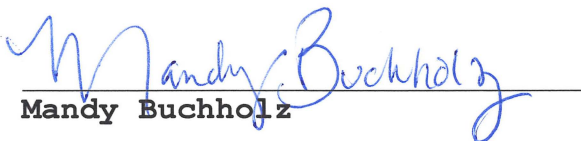
COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Jewell moved to authorize Chair signature on a Purchase and Sale Agreement between Kittitas County and the seller, once negotiations are final. Commissioner Berndt seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Mandy Buchholz


Obie O'Brien, Chairman