

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
COMMISSIONER'S AUDITORIUM  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**THURSDAY**

**8:30 A.M.**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2017**

Board members present: Chairman Paul Jewell; Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz; and Commissioner Obie O'Brien.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager; Dan Carlson, CDS Director; Diana MacKenzie, Upper District Court Administrator; Jill Scheffer, Event Center Director; Clay Myers, Undersheriff; Gene Dana, Sheriff; Heather Seibert, Chief Financial Manager; Jerry Pettit, Auditor; Mike Hougardy, Assessor; Greg Zempel, Prosecutor; Michael Stafford, Juvenile Court Administrator; Kari Elkins, JCA Assistant; Elishia Harvill, Office Administrator; Patti Johnson, Solid Waste/Maintenance Director/Project Manager; Barb Demory, Lower District Court Administrator; Mark Cook, Public Works Director; Sue Higginbotham, Administrative Assistant; Tip Hudson, Extension Agent; Robin Read, Public Health Administrator; Jim Goeben, IT Director and 1 member of the public.

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**2018 BUDGET**

**COMMISSIONERS**

At 8:30 a.m. Chairman Jewell opened a Special Meeting to review the 2018 preliminary budget.

Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager, provided the latest budget information with proposed cuts from various departments. Departments provided further budget reductions and additional revenue.


The Board agreed to forgo a contribution to the Rainy Day Fund in 2018; approve a 2% increase for non-union employee salaries effective January 1, 2018; and to increase Elected Officials salaries by 3% because they weren't included in the recent salary survey and adjustments. They discussed the County's contribution to employee health care benefits and asked for data from the Auditors and Human Resources office to be presented to them at the next budget Special Meeting on Friday December 1, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

**CLERK OF THE BOARD**

  
Julie Kjorsvik

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Paul Jewell, Chairman