

KITTITAS COUNTY
SOLID WASTE, MAINTENANCE, AND FAIR OFFICE STUDY SESSION MINUTES
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 108 - ELLENSBURG
Regular Meeting

TUESDAY	2:00 PM	June 12, 2018
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Board members present: Vice-Chairman, Obie O'Brien. Commissioner, Paul Jewel

Absent: Chairman, Laura Osiadacz

Others: Patti Johnson, Lisa Young, Lisa Lawrence, Tim Egan, Daily Record Reporter and one member of the public.

Meeting called to order at 2:02 p.m.

Solid Waste Updates

Patti informed the Board that garbage is up 6% this year and the Facilities have had 40,000 customers to date. She also informed the Board that the Part Time Scale house Attendant started and will assist with coverage and educational outreach at the sites.

Recycling in Grasslands and other unincorporated areas in Kittitas County

Discussion was held on the process it would take to implement curbside recycling in Grasslands, Suncadia and other un-incorporated areas in the County. Including a Level of Service Ordinance, the expense of Waste Management Cost Recovery Model with blended rates for garbage and recycling through the WUTC. Further discussion included the current status of recycling being unstable and conducting a recycling price tolerance survey of County Residents. The Board directed Staff to table discussion and re-visit spring 2019.

Siting Project Update

Patti informed the Board that she is working on it and that Public Works may be interested in co-locating with Solid Waste. Commissioner Jewell stated that he secured an appraisal and the Phase 1 Environmental assessment which should be completed by the end of the month.

Household Hazardous Waste Position Update

Patti informed the Board that no applications were received and that she re-posted the position until July 1st. Expanding advertising through SWANA in Washington and Oregon. The Board said they would add it to their Facebook pages.

Bloom Pavilion Grant Project Update

The Board signed the Grant at an earlier meeting. Discussion was held on matching funds from Lodging Tax. Patti informed the Board that ALSC is working to get the project ready to go out to

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bid with the reduced scope of work to meet the grant requirements, planning on going out to bid so work can start shortly after fair. It was determined that it would be a couple of months before the monies would be available.

Courthouse Project Update

Patti presented the Board with several options to discuss from the architect. Discussion was held on the different options, modifying, bringing down the cost and where to go next.

Further Discussion included bringing the value of the North Lots and the Berry's Building into the project. Patti informed the Board she discussed the possible market value of both with a real estate agent and presented them with an email from an agent with ballpark figures for each.

Maintenance Update

Tim informed the Board that staff is getting a grasp on the Event Center and that the evening janitor quit.

Facility Dude Update

Patti requested Board approval to have on-site training for staff in the amount of \$2500. Tim informed the Board that it would include all staff and help with the transition to the new program. Discussion was held on that there wasn't a specific line item in the budget, but that several line items were under budget. Further discussion included the possibility of a summer intern to assist with data input. Commissioner O'Brien moved to approve. Commissioner Jewell 2nd the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

Rodeo Arena Seating Maintenance Update

Tim informed the Board that the lumber was delivered and the aluminum has been ordered and they should start next week.

Jail Update

Tim informed the Board that McKinstry made changes to the positive airflow and there have been no complaints.

Event Center Maintenance Transition

Covered in **Maintenance Update** agenda item #8.

Key System

Discussion was held on card lock access, the cost of \$900 per lock, and looking into the cost with IT for Wi-Fi at Western Village. The Board directed staff to do a budget request in the amount of \$20,000 in next year's budget. Discussion was held on staff not having keys to all the buildings

at the facility and the Fair board re-keying buildings. The Board directed staff to have a conversation with Roylene Crawford of the Fair board as to why this is happening.

Staffing Discussion

Discussion was held on needing another Full Time Event Center maintenance staff person and how to pay for it. Further discussion included Union contracts, call back, split schedules and looking at a trending analysis on Event Center revenue and working on a strategy to re-organize budget neutral.

Discussion on only 30% of budget left, it was noted that budget amendments for approved items are still pending.

Water Issues

Tim informed the Board that there is no hot water in several of the bathrooms and one is missing a tank.

General Updates

Lisa Y. informed the Board she was concerned about the upcoming Chillaxle Event and charging the reduce rate, same as Cascade Cow Cutter \$35.00 for food vendors. The Board approved the reduce rate.

Event Center Budget Overview discussed in agenda item 14

OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion was held on purchasing a cell phone for who is on call rather than personal cells numbers listed. The Board approved the purchase of a flip phone.

Meeting adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

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Lisa Lawrence



Laura Osiadacz, Chairman