

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

THURSDAY

1:00 P.M.

APRIL 2, 2020

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith (via phone), Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz (via phone) and Commissioner Cory Wright (via phone).

Others via phone: Taylor Crouch, Deputy Clerk of the Board I; Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; and Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager.

SPECIAL MEETING

PLANNING UPDATE/COVID-19

COMMISSIONERS

At 1:00 p.m. Chairman Wachsmith opened a Special Meeting for the Board to provide planning updates relating to COVID-19.

Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager gave the Board an update on Solid Waste facilities. They are not accepting yard waste currently from anyone besides the City of Ellensburg. Rye Grass Landfill will remain open for right now, and the transfer stations will remain at regular hours. Recycling is also remaining on schedule. Ms. Johnson is looking at other counties in the state for Department recommendations.

Commissioner Osiadacz updated the Board about the COVID-19 situation. CDS will be switching to a new workplan and operating as so starting April 3rd, 2020. Commissioner Osiadacz will follow up with Dan Carlson, CDS Director about building inspections and possible options to get current construction projects in the County to safe stopping points.

Commissioner Wright updated the Board about the COVID-19 situation. There is a possibility for Maintenance to help at the Airport. Commissioner Wright asked the Board to start thinking about the property tax process for this year.

Commissioner Wachsmith updated the Board about the COVID-19 situation. He has been working with Judy Pless, Budget and Finance Manager about the revenue projections and forecasts from the effects of COVID. The County may not know the full financial impacts for months. Ms. Pless is pulling numbers to compare to 2019.


Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board asked the Board for direction on the upcoming Agenda Study Sessions and the Agenda. Ms. Kjorsvik was

directed to cancel the Study Session on April 6th, 2020. The Chair and the Clerk will be in the Auditorium for Agenda session on April 7th, 2020, both other Commissioners will call in for the meeting along with others who will need to speak. The meeting will be live streamed on to AV Capture. Ms. Kjorsvik was asked to make sure that all Department Heads with items on the Agenda are reminded to call in. The 2 scheduled Public Hearings on April 7th, 2020 will be postponed until May 19th, 2020.


Commissioner Osiadacz asked the Board who would be representing the BOCC on the call with Representative Kim Schrier. Chairman Wachsmith will represent the BOCC on this phone call.

Meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD I


Taylor Crouch

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman