

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

WEDNESDAY

10:00 A.M.

MAY 6, 2020

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

Others: Taylor Crouch, Deputy Clerk of the Board I; Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board (via phone); Barb Demory, District Judicial Administrator (via phone); Diana MacKenzie, District Judicial Administrator (via phone); Sarah Keith, Superior Court Administrator (via phone); Jim Goeben, IT Director (via phone); Doug Fessler, Network Administrator (via phone); Neil Caulkins, Chief Civil Deputy (via WebEx); Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board (via WebEx); and Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager (via WebEx).

SPECIAL MEETING

PLANNING UPDATE/COVID-19

COMMISSIONERS

At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith opened a Special Meeting for the Board to provide planning updates relating to COVID-19.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER

WEBEX PURCHASE

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Jim Geoben, IT Director updated the Board on different options that WebEx can incorporate to fit the needs of the BOCC. There was discussion on how to handle public aspects of BOCC meetings, specifically, public comments and public hearings. At 10:05 a.m. the recording system of AV Capture All shut down, recording of this meeting resumed at 10:12 a.m. via WebEx. Barb Demory, District Judicial Administrator, Diana MacKenzie, District Judicial Administrator, and Sarah Keith, Superior Court Administrator stated their support for WebEx in the Court systems.

Commissioner Wachsmith moved to approve the purchase of WebEx and to allow the IT Director to sign Contract documents with a spending authority of up to \$20,000.00. Commissioner Wright seconded. Motion Carried 3-0.

SPECIAL MEETING

EXECUTIVE SESSION

COMMISSIONERS

At 10:35 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for 5 minutes with Neil Caulkins, Chief Civil Deputy (via WebEx), Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager (via WebEx) and Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II (via WebEx) 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. Potential action anticipated.

At 10:40 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. There was no action taken.

At 10:42 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith announced the Board would recess back into Executive Session for 5 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. Potential action anticipated.

At 10:47 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. There was direction to Staff to purchase a mobile home in Shady Brook Mobile Home Park and to approve Patti Johnson's authority. This is necessary given the timing and the County was approached by the individual to sell, so they could purchase a newer and larger mobile home. There is a dedicated fund for this purchase, and it would not come out of COVID-19 funding or the General Fund.

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Commissioner Osiadacz updated the Board on the letters she has been working with other Washington Counties. This is an item on the Agenda for May 7th at 1:00 p.m. meeting and will be discussed more then.

Commissioner Wright updated the Board on Vantage State Park and his talks with Grant County PUD. Commissioner Wright will also be working with Department Heads and the Ferguson Group.

Commissioner Wachsmith updated the Board that the Economic Recovery Committee will have the opportunity to speak with Representative Kim Schrier on Friday May 8th at 9:00 a.m. There are 15-20 businesses in the County who have asked for technical assistance. Commissioner Wachsmith stated that Lisa Young, HR Director and Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager are working on the opening plan for the Courthouse.

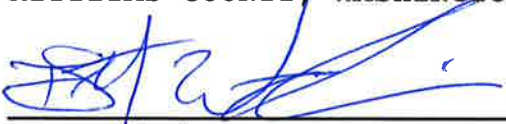
Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD I



Taylor Crouch

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman