

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

MONDAY

9:00 A.M.

OCTOBER 19, 2020

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

Others Via WebEx: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II; Taylor Crouch, Deputy Clerk of the Board I; Lisa Young, HR Director; Chris Horner, Deputy Prosecutor; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor; Mark Cook, Public Works Director and one member of the public.

REGULAR MEETING

OFFICE STAFF MEETING

COMMISSIONERS

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith opened the Office Administration meeting.

CALENDAR

WEEK AT A GLANCE

COMMISSIONERS

The Board of County Commissioners reviewed their weekly calendars.

PAF/VOUCHERS

REVIEW OF PAF'S & VOUCHERS

COMMISSIONERS

The Board of County Commissioners approved the County Vouchers and PAF's.

CORRESPONDENCE LOG

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE LOG

COMMISSIONERS

The Correspondence Log for the week ending October 16, 2020 was presented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

COMMISSIONERS

At 9:03 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith announced the Board would recess into Executive Session with Chris Horner, Deputy Prosecutor; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor and Mark Cook, Public Works Director for 10 minutes to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. Possible action was anticipated.

At 9:13 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session and direction was given to approve the Claim for Damages to Puget Sound & Energy and deduct the cost and installation of temporary snow poles.

DISCUSSION

2021 DEPARTMENT HEADS

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Osiadacz stated that she would like the Board to think about resuming the one on one Commissioner/Department Head Meetings in 2021. She said she has heard from numerous Department Heads that they miss that dedicated time with a Commissioner and the support they had. Commissioner Wright stated that he was not opposed to it as long as the Board uses their Monday Morning Office Admin Meeting time to update their seatmates as a pass along of information. Commissioner Wachsmith stated he is comfortable with having them if that's what the Department Heads want. Staff was directed to set a meeting with Department Heads to see if they wish to get back to having the one on one meetings with a Commissioner.

APPROVAL

DOH SCHOOL/WORK GUIDELINES

HR

Lisa Young, HR Director stated that she had shared a proposed flow charts with the County Management Team from the Dept. of Health for Guidelines for returning to work/school and that they felt it would be helpful to have a document to point to. Commissioner Osiadacz stated she would need additional time to review the proposed documents as she received the documents from HR Director Young at 8:30 a.m. this morning and she was in a meeting with other County Staff or she would abstain. BoCC Staff offered to add them to a future agenda for the Board to consider.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

COMMISSIONERS

At 9:21 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith announced the Board would recess into Executive Session with Chris Horner, Deputy Prosecutor; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor; Lisa Young, HR Director and Mark Cook, Public Works Director for 20 minutes per RCW 42.30.140 to consider Collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or (b) that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress. No action was anticipated.

At 9:41 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. There was no action taken.

At 9:41 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith announced the Board would recess back into Executive Session for another 10 minutes with Chris Horner, Deputy Prosecutor; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor; Lisa Young, HR Director and Mark Cook, Public Works Director for 20 minutes per RCW 42.30.140 to consider Collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or (b) that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress. No action was anticipated.

At 9:51 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. There was no action taken.

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At 10:01 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. There was no action taken.

DISCUSSION

FACEBOOK WEEKLY POSTS

COMMISSIONERS

The Board determined for the week of October 19, 2020 they would post on their Facebook page, a reminder to get flu shots as well as sharing the Press Release's from the Auditor regarding elections and the new elections center.

OTHER BUSINESS/GENERAL UPDATES

There were general updates on meetings & conversations that the Board participated in, individually over the past week.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD


Mandy Buchholz

KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Brett Wachsmith, Chairman