

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

MONDAY

9:00 A.M.

MAY 17, 2021

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith; Commissioner Cory Wright; and Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Administrative Supervisor; Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Taylor Crouch, Admin Assistant; Arden Thomas, WRP Manager; Mark Cook, Public Works Director; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor.

SPECIAL 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 calendar.

PAF/VOUCHERS

REVIEW OF PAF'S & VOUCHERS

COMMISSIONERS

The Board of County Commissioners approved and signed County Employee Personnel Action forms and vouchers.

CORRESPONDENCE LOG

REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE LOG

COMMISSIONERS

The Board of County Commissioners reviewed the weekly Correspondence Log, a listing of all incoming mail and correspondence for the week ending May 14, 2021.

APPOINTMENT

HORTICULTURAL PEST & DISEASE BOARD COMMISSIONERS

Mandy Buchholz, Administrative Supervisor requested the Board consider the reappointment of Urban Eberhart, Douglas Hannon and Ben Kern as well as acknowledge a retroactive appointment for Mr. Kern. She stated that the terms are for two years and will expire June 30, 2023. Commissioner Osiadacz moved to reappoint Urban Eberhart, Douglas Hannon and Ben Kern as well as acknowledge a retroactive appointment for Mr. Kern as presented. Commissioner Wright seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

APPOINTMENT

CIVIL SERV. COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS

Mandy Buchholz, Administrative Supervisor requested the Board consider the appointment Jim Ritter to the County Civil Service

APPROVED
6/1/21

Commission for a six year term effective immediately and to expire on June 30, 2024, noting that he would be completing a former members term. Commissioner Osiadacz moved to appoint Jim Ritter to the Kittitas County Civil Service Commission, as presented. Commissioner Wright seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

APPOINTMENT **LTAC - DAVIDSON** **COMMISSIONERS**

Item pulled.

LETTER **MICHAEL J. GIESEN** **COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Osiadacz moved to approve Board signature on a letter to Michael J. Giesen, Site Supervisor, Memorial Products Service-Department of Veterans Affairs, as presented. Chairman Wachsmith seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LETTER **SENATOR MURRAY** **COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Osiadacz moved to ratify Board signature on a letter to Senator Patty Murray regarding Snoqualmie Pass Utility District - 2021 Infrastructure Priority Solicitation Form Request for Water Projects. Commissioner Wright seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LETTER **SENATOR MURRAY** **COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Osiadacz moved to ratify Board signature on a letter to Senator Patty Murray regarding Snoqualmie Pass Utility District - 2021 Infrastructure Priority Solicitation Form Request for Wastewater Projects. Commissioner Wright seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LETTER **MIKE BARROW** **COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Osiadacz moved to approve the Chair's signature on a letter to Mike Barrow regarding his letter dated May 6, 2021 about HopeSource not being responsive to the Public Records Act. Commissioner Wright seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION **COMMISSIONERS**

At 9:12 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith announced the Board would recess into Executive Session with Arden Thomas, Neil Caulkins & Mark Cook for 10 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. Action was anticipated.

At 9:22 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. Commissioner Osiadacz moved to approve and authorize the Chair's

signature on the Agreement Regarding Post Closing Actions and Improvements and the Agreement for Sale off Real Property. Commissioner Wright seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At 9:25 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith announced the Board would recess back into Executive Session for 5 minutes, with Mark Cook and Neil Caulkins 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. No action anticipated.

At 9:30 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. No action taken.

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At 9:40 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. No action taken.

UPDATE BOCC/ DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS COMMISSIONERS

Each Commissioner was assigned three different Department Heads to meet with on a weekly basis. The assignments for 2021 were determined at the Board of County Commissioners Office Admin meeting on 1-11-2021.

Each Commissioner reviewed discussions held with their respective departments and exchanged details of those meetings.

DISCUSSION FACEBOOK WEEKLY POSTS COMMISSIONERS

The Board determined for the week of May 17, 2021 they didn't have any "new" topics to publish.

OTHER BUSINESS/GENERAL UPDATES

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISOR


Mandy Buchholz

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman