

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

WEDNESDAY

1:00 P.M.

AUGUST 24, 2022

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

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Codi Fortier, Administrative Assistant; Jim Goeben, IT Director; Amy Cziske, Treasurer; Ben Kokjer, Chief Deputy; Jeanne Killgore, Human Resource Director; Pat Gigstead, Chief Probation Officer; Todd Davis, Noxious Weed Director; Chris Whitsett, Inspector; Mike Hougardy, Assessor; Patti Stacey, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager; Mark Cook, Public Works Director; Chelsey Loeffers, Public Health Director; Greg Zempel, Prosecutor; Karen Bowen, Clerk; Dan Carlson, CDS Director; Sarah Keith, Superior Court Administrator; Brian Carlson, Budget & Finance Director; and Phil Backlund, Consultant.

SPECIAL MEETING

STRATEGIC PLANNING

COMMISSIONERS

At 1:04 p.m. Chairman Osiadacz opened a Special Meeting to discuss the Board of County Commissioners Strategic Plan & Goals with the County Management Team.

Phil Backlund, Consultant, provided a history on the work that's been done by the Board of Commissioners on their Strategic Plan and Goals. He said it included a shared vision and plans as well as a shared set of core values and functions. The goals included ten, three, and one-year intervals, along with short-term (90) day goals and action plans. Chairman Osiadacz noted it was the Board of County Commissioners Strategic Plan and not necessarily the County's.

Vice-Chairman Wright reviewed the plan and said the County needed to try and work on different ways to streamline more for efficient government. Chairman Osiadacz said they wanted to present the document to the Management Team in order to keep communication open and people informed. She noted it was a working document and as priorities change, they will keep everyone apprised of them. Mr. Backlund said the Management Team will be working on their goals and then ultimately both groups will come together to possibly create an overall County-wide plan. There is another Management Team retreat scheduled for October 7th and they will be working on their own Strategic Plan. Mike Hougardy, Assessor, explained how part of what came out of the retreat was to work together with the Board of County Commissioners, and by knowing they want to do the same, it will keep the enthusiasm going with everyone.

Amy Cziske, Treasurer, asked to remove the request from the County Management Team and Executive Committee with regard to dissolving the monthly Chair/Department Head meeting and setting up a monthly study session with the Board and the Executive Committee meeting. She indicated the Executive Committee needed to meet to discuss more information prior to presenting it to the Board.

The meeting was concluded at 1:28 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD



Julie Kjorsvik

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Laura Osladacz, Chairman