

**KITTITAS COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS STUDY SESSION MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS' AUDITORIUM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 109
Regular Meeting**

MONDAY

1:30 PM

JANUARY 8, 2024

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

Others: Mark Cook, Josh Fredrickson, Rebecca Cruse, Public Works; Jamey Ayling, Jessica Miller, Community Development Services; 1 member of the public.

At 1:35 PM Chairman Brett Wachsmith opened the Public Works Study Session.

No Citizen Comments.

At 1:36PM the Board of County Commissioners announced they would recess into Executive Session for 10 minutes with Mark Cook, and Bill Clarke per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b) 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.

At 1:46PM the Board of County Commissioners reconvened out of Executive Session with direction to staff to continue negotiations.

BOWERS FIELD LAND LEASE DISCUSSION

Josh Fredrickson briefed the Board of County Commissioners on Bowers Field binding site plan and the location of several lots at the airport that a party requested to lease. Josh Fredrickson stated the lots did not have established access to the taxiway, an estimated cost for design and construction of the access, and funding options were discussed for the project. The Board directed staff to inquire about ARPA funds or CARB Loan. Airport leases were discussed, and Josh Fredrickson stated a 30-year lease with two 10-year extensions was acceptable to the Federal Aviation Administration. Staff was directed to draft a reversion clause along with the lease. Discussion was had about a reversion clause and assessing the useful life of the buildings when conducting lease agreements.

DUNFORD BARN

Mark Cook briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the drafted deed received for Dunford Barn. Developers are preparing to begin construction and the residential community will need secondary access. Mark Cook requested the Boards approval for staff to continue design and construct the entrance.

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LICK CREEK PRIVATE BRIDGES

Mark Cook briefed the Board of County Commissioners on established plans for Lick Creek. Public Works was previously tasked with design of abutments, permitting, and construction of prefabricated private bridge for a joint-use driveway. The private property owners haven't purchased the bridge and continue discussion on cost associated. Staff was directed to pause on further permitting until the property owners are participating to move forward on this project and they purchase the bridge kit.

Meeting concluded at 2:23 PM

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER:
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Rebecca Cruse, Administrative
Assistant



Brett Wachsmith, Chairman