

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
STUDY SESSION**

TUESDAY

2:30 P.M.

JUNE 10, 2003

Those in attendance: Commissioner Max Golladay

Others: Shannon Carlson, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Judy Pless, Budget Finance Manager; Gene Dana, Sheriff; Bob Gubser, and Chief Clayton Myers

STUDY SESSION

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

AUDITOR/SHERIFF

At 2:30 P.M. a study session was held to discuss the Budget Amendments for the Public Hearing on July 17th.

Judy Pless, Budget Finance Officer gave Commissioner Golladay a spreadsheet of the budget amendments being requested. She discussed that when she presents the information to the Board during the public hearing, she would do so in three (3) phases.

The Sheriff's request for the Sunnyside contracts and for new employees would be two separate requests. The total budget amendments requested \$1,364,000.

Chief Myers discussed the three different funding options for the new staff request. Funding for the positions would come out of the Criminal Justice Sales Tax. The tax would not be able to fund the new positions 100%; and the Sheriff's Department will be providing the following options:

1. Hire staff gradually. Fill two positions now then wait a few months then hire 2 more, and then wait another 2 months and hire the last two.
2. Take the balance of the portion that is not covered from the Criminal Justice Tax and use the reserve or the Juvenile Justice Tax.
3. Take money from Sheriff's budget to cover balance. Wait a few months to hire open the deputy position to allow accrual.

There will be additional revenue from the Jail contract with the City of Ellensburg that was not added in the budget, and that could also go towards assisting in financing the positions.

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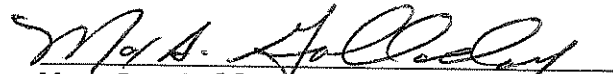
Commissioner Golladay requested that during the public hearing that Chief Myers explain what the maximum request will be and then what the minimum would be. Commissioner Golladay suggested that the information be included with their staff report.

At 3:30 P.M., the Study Session was adjourned.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD


Shannon L. Carlson

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Max A. Golladay, Chair