

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
PUBLIC HEARING**

TUESDAY

4:00 P.M.

OCTOBER 7, 2003

Board members present: Chairman Max A. Golladay, Vice-Chair Perry Huston. Absent: Bruce Coe.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; David Taylor, Community Development Services Director; Allison Kimball, Community Development Services Department; Bruce Tabb, Director of Elmview; and 4 members of the public.

PUBLIC HEARING

WATERSHED PLAN

CDS

At approximately 4:00 p.m. **CHAIRMAN GOLLADAY** opened the public hearing (continued from September 2, 2003), to consider the Planning Units recommendation for adoption of the Yakima River Watershed Plan.

DAVID TAYLOR, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR, gave a brief update of information, since the previous hearing. He reviewed documents which had been submitted for the record, including letters from himself to Initiating Governments regarding impacts, to Bernie Sims, Benton County Commissioner Max Benitz Jr., State Auditor Brian Sonntag; letter from the Yakima County Board of Commissioners; letter with attachments from the Tri-County Water Resources Agency (noting page 7 was missing from a letter from Attorney Lawrence E. Martin); and a letter to Chairman Golladay from Senator Joyce Mulliken. **COMMISSIONER HUSTON** asked Mr. Taylor if the proposed language amendments had been reviewed by any entity. **MR. TAYLOR** said he had scheduled meetings at the end of the week in Olympia to discuss sponsorship of the amendments. He mentioned he had left a message with the Tri-County Water Resources Agency, relating to a public disclosure request, and said he would be going down to their office to review their records. **THERE WAS NO PUBLIC INTERESTED IN TESTIFYING.**

COMMISSIONER HUSTON explained the Washington State Association of Counties had not embraced the issue as of yet, but the legislative steering committee had begun their discussions. He felt there had been progress made, including the continuous gathering of information to build the record and the draft of amended language. **CHAIRMAN GOLLADAY** disclosed several people had contacted him, urging him to not rush to judgment and adopt the plan, without researching implementation.

COMMISSIONER HUSTON moved to continue the public hearing to Tuesday November 18, 2004 at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's Auditorium, Room 109, County Courthouse, to allow for additional time for further research, noting the record to remain open. **CHAIRMAN GOLLADAY** seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

✓ **PUBLIC HEARING**

BUILDING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE

CDS

At 4:13 p.m. **CHAIRMAN GOLLADAY** opened the public hearing (continued from September 2, 2003), to consider revisions to the Kittitas County Community Development Services building permit fee schedule.

DAVID TAYLOR, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR, said Mitch Williams, representing the Central Washington Home Builders Association, attended a study session on September 29, 2003 to provide input on the fee schedule. Due to scheduling conflicts, he had not had the opportunity to compile the necessary documentation for the Boards consideration. He recommended continuing the public hearing. **THERE WAS NO PUBLIC INTERESTED IN TESTIFYING.**

COMMISSIONER HUSTON moved to continue the public hearing to Tuesday November 18, 2003 at 4:00 p.m., to consider revisions to the Kittitas County Community Development Services building permit fee schedule, and to allow the record to remain open. **CHAIRMAN GOLLADAY** seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

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SURPLUS - ELMVIEW GROUP HOME PROPERTY

COMMISSIONERS

At 4:16 p.m. **CHAIRMAN GOLLADAY** opened the public hearing to consider surplusung the County's interest in a Group Home (Elmview) located at 220 East Helena, Ellensburg, Washington.

BRUCE TABB, ELMVIEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, reviewed portions of the original agreement between Kittitas County and the Kittitas County Development Center, Inc., dated May 31, 1977. The purchase of the land and construction of the building was funded through a Referendum, which provided \$213,750, in addition to funds raised locally by Elmview \$71,250. The term was for twenty-five (25) years and expired on May 31, 2002. The terms indicated at the end of the lease, "the County agrees, provided that at said time, it is lawfully permitted to do so, to execute a Quit Claims Deed of the premises herein to the Corporation". He said Elmview had fulfilled the terms and obligations of the lease and requested the Board initiate the process to transfer the title of land

and building to Elmview. THERE BEING NO ONE IN ATTENDANCE WISHING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.

CHAIRMAN GOLLADAY did not see any reason to not move forward with surplusing the property and begin the process of transferring the title of land to Elmview. COMMISSIONER HUSTON said the property had only been used by Elmview since the agreement, and felt the County should begin the steps to transfer the title.

COMMISSIONER HUSTON moved to declare the property located at 220 East Helena, Ellensburg, Washington, as surplus, and to direct staff to identify the process of transferring the property from Kittitas County to Elmview. CHAIRMAN GOLLADAY seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Julie A. Kjorsvik


Max A. Golladay, Chairman