

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

**TUESDAY**

**4:00 P.M.**

**OCTOBER 16, 2007**

Board members present: Vice-Chairman David Bowen and Commissioner Mark McClain. Excused: Chairman Alan Crankovich

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Jan Ollivier; Public Works Transportation Manager; Todd Davis, Noxious Weed Control Board Director; Allison Kimball, Assistant Director, Community Development Services; Brandon Drexler, Public Works Director; Stephanie Happold, Deputy Prosecutor; Darryl Piercy, Director of Community Development Services; and 4 members of the public.

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**PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOXIOUS WEED ASSESSMENT LEVY**

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At approximately 4:00 p.m. **VICE-CHAIRMAN BOWEN** opened a public hearing to consider adopting a proposed Resolution to increase the assessment levy for the Kittitas County Noxious Weed Board for areas outside of Weed Districts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 pursuant to RCW 17.10.240.

**TODD DAVIS, NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD DIRECTOR** gave a staff report claiming the proposed levy assessment rates would be to maintain the Noxious Weed Board's budget and to continue to provide the County with noxious weed control and prevention. He said there has not been an increase in levy rates since 1995.

**THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING: JIM HANSON, NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD MEMBER** spoke in favor of the proposed levy assessment rates and claimed the Noxious Weed Control Board department works hard and are very efficient. **JEFF BRUNSON** expressed his support of the proposed increase in levy assessment rates. **MARY MORGAN, NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD MEMBER** testified in favor of the proposed rates and claimed Kittitas County is one of the most well taken care of areas in Washington State. **THERE BEING NO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.**

**RESOLUTION 2007-126**

**NOXIOUS WEED ASSESSMENT LEVY**

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**COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** moved to approve Resolution No. 2007-126, increasing the Noxious Weed Levy Assessments, encompassing areas outside of Weed Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, noting the Forest Lands will be \$.0035 per acre Minimum billing - \$1.54 per parcel if the

calculated assessment does not equal or exceed \$1.54 and All Other Lands is \$.035 per acre Minimum Billing - \$15.40 per parcel if the calculated assessment does not equal or exceed \$15.40. **VICE-CHAIRMAN BOWEN** seconded.

**COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** acknowledged the positive feedback he receives from the public on how well the Noxious Weed Board functions.

Motion carried 2-0.

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**PUBLIC HEARING                      SIX YEAR TIP & ANNUAL CONSTRUCTION PUBLIC WORKS**

At approximately 4:10 p.m. **VICE-CHAIRMAN BOWEN** opened a public hearing to consider adopting the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program for the years 2008-2013 and the Annual Construction Program for 2008.

**JAN OLLIVIER, PUBLIC WORKS TRANSPORTATION MANAGER**, reviewed a staff report. She noted the Public Works Department held two open houses to receive input and comments from the public on October 3, 2007 in the Lower County and on October 4, 2007 in the Upper County. She reviewed the funding sources and expected revenue amounts. She also reviewed the strategy for the Six-Year plan to widen shoulders on roads that lack sufficient shoulders for safe travel in accordance with the current road standards; rehabilitate or replace all structurally deficient bridges; hard surface gravel roads if economically warranted; overlay or seal coat roads to provide additional strength and life to those roads.

**THERE BEING NO ONE IN ATTENDANCE REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.**

**RESOLUTION 2007-127                      SIX YEAR TIP                      PUBLIC WORKS**

**COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** moved to approve Resolution No. 2007-127, adopting a Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan for the Years 2008-2013. **VICE-CHAIRMAN BOWEN** seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

**RESOLUTION 2007-128                      ANNUAL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM                      PUBLIC WORKS**

**McCLAIN** moved to approve Resolution No. 2007-128, adopting the Annual Road Construction Program for the year 2008. **VICE-CHAIRMAN BOWEN** seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

At approximately 4:23 p.m. **VICE-CHAIRMAN BOWEN** opened a public hearing to consider ratifying the Code Policies developed by the Community Development Services Department.

**DARRYL PIERCY, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** explained over the past several months his staff along with representatives of the building industry has developed a series code policies for areas of the International Building Code which needed additional clarification. Those areas were brought to a work group by staff and members of the building community and they are now seeking the Board of County Commissioners ratification on twenty items.

**COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** referenced Item 18 and asked what authority the County has for a re-inspection fee. **MR. PIERCY** said it is within their fee schedule and according to the Code inspection cards must be readily visible, on site for the inspectors. **COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** felt each item should be dated referencing their conception and felt in the future, he would like to receive a statement of support from the Homebuilders Association. **MR. PIERCY** said all the information will be put on line so the public is aware of all the policies.

**MR. DAVIS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PLANS REVIEWER** commented on benefits that have been received with the outreach program with the local homebuilders. **VICE-CHAIRMAN BOWEN** questioned pole buildings that exceed 12,000 square feet will require an engineers stamp and was concerned how the agriculture community would respond. **MR. PIERCY** said the item was nothing new, but it was only clarifying for consistency with applications and what's been in the code. **MR. DAVIS** said it was in Code, and a size S2 building size.

**COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** suggested amendments to the language relating to Item 6 - Permit Card Policy and it being available for inspection. He suggested stating if the permit card is not on-site at the time of inspection the applicant will receive only one written warning and a second failure would result in a re-inspection fee.

**THERE BEING NO ONE IN ATTENDANCE REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.**

**COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** moved to approve and ratify the Code Policies as amended in Item #6, and developed by the Community Development Services Department. **VICE-CHAIRMAN** seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Julie A. Kjorsvik

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David Bowen, Vice-Chairman