

KITTITAS COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

STUDY SESSION MINUTES

March 10, 2008

THOSE PRESENT:

Alan Crankovich, David Bowen, Kelly Carlson, Doug D'Hondt, Maria Fischer (DPW) Cathy Bambrick, Holly Myers (EH) Darryl Piercy (CDS) Neil Caulkins (PROS)

GUESTS PRESENT:

Jeff Tayer, Brent Renfro, Perry Harvester (WDFW), Noah Goodrich, Catherine Dunn, Tracy Shallbetter

CHARLTON ROAD BRIDGE:

D'Hondt explained what has transpired since this item was last on the agenda. The project is currently \$500,000 over budget, and there is no guarantee the County will receive additional funding. D'Hondt showed drawings and explained the scouring problem that would occur with the WDFW proposed design. Easement problems with one property owner were discussed. Harvester suggested modifying the agreement with the one landowner again, for a smooth transition to a wider channel. Much discussion occurred, back and forth, with D'Hondt and Tayer relating each entity's responsibilities and concerns. Tayer stated that WDFW is willing to compromise and will sit down with the Feds to work something out so the County can use their funding to replace the bridge.

Board Direction:

Let WDFW go back and caucus with the Feds, and come back to PW within one week with a compromise design.

FOWLER CREEK ROAD :

D'Hondt related that Fowler Creek Road is falling apart again. The fixed areas have gotten worse. The County is going to try applying wood chips which would help soak up moisture. Commissioner Crankovich stated that this is worth a try. D'Hondt stated the problem is that the sides of the road are frozen and the center is thawed. New areas of the road have failed and the cost of reconstruction has gone up \$100,000.

Board Direction:

Repair the damage and let the road sit for a year before chip sealing.

VANTAGE BOAT LAUNCH

GRANT COUNTY:

Neil Caulkins stated that he has been in contact with Grant County and they are fine with payment of \$15,000 to Kittitas County, but will go back to six days a week maintenance/repair of the facility instead of seven days. He spoke with Director Drexler about this proposal and Drexler was fine with it.

Board Direction:

Move forward with an agreement with Grant County.


WE ROCK LEASE:

Kelly Carlson of PW stated that she will have Don Anderson of the Prosecutor's Office review a lease for the We Rock group for use of County property. Director Piercy stated that the Conditional Use Permit for this group is proceeding. Kelly will set a hearing for the Next Agenda Session on March 18th. She asked if the BOCC could discuss the possibility of a negotiated lease amount, as the group already had a problem with the CUP fee, and stated that they have no money. Piercy noted that they had paid the fee, however, when told that they had to pay it up front. Kelly noted that \$7500 per year was the property lease amount.

Board Direction:

Kelly Carlson to work with Don Anderson to draft a lease for We Rock for the use of County property, and present the lease to the group. Keep the Ellensburg Chamber of Commerce in the loop.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30pm



Brandon Drexler
Public Works Director