

# **KITTITAS COUNTY**

## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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### **STUDY SESSION MINUTES**

**January 28, 2008**

#### **THOSE PRESENT:**

Mark McClain, Alan Crankovich, David Bowen, Allison Kimball, Darryl Piercy (CDS), Brandon Drexler, Kelly Carlson, Doug D'Hondt, Maria Fischer (DPW), Cathy Bambrick (EH), Neil Caulkins, Don Anderson (PROS), Donald Abbott, Brian Dick, (D.O.E./Hazardous & Toxic Waste Sections)

#### **GUESTS PRESENT:**

Catherine Dunn, Noah Goodrich, Chad Bala, Chris Hamel, Lisa French, Amanda Potts, Sahara & C.J. (Cle Elum-Roslyn High School) Ann Watanabe, Nathan Wise.

#### **TRAP & SKEET CLUB LEASE:**

Director Drexler stated that the DOE representatives are here to discuss the clean up issue at the former Trap & Skeet site. Commissioner McClain asked the DOE what their position was on moving the contaminated soil from the old lease site to the new lease site. Brian Dick explained what he knows about the removal of the old lead and the soil transfer to the new lease site. Don Abbott stated that no agreement with the DOE is needed for the Trap & Skeet Club to complete their work with the contaminated soil, but that 250mm of lead per kg. of soil is the clean up level for the old site. He explained industrial and residential clean up levels. Abbott stated that the liability is the County's, and the County should have the old site tested and file the results. The consultant who does the testing should lay out the results in a letter, explaining the properties of the soil. When that letter is received by the DOE, the DOE will remove the site from the hazardous site list. Kelly Carlson noted that what direction the County decides to go will be decided in executive session.

#### **Board Direction:**

**No Board direction.**

#### **LAVENDER ROAD ISSUES:**

Director Drexler stated that the County has a 1981 agreement with the State DOT which says that if a freeway frontage road is brought up to County standards that the County will take it on System. A developer is going to construct a long extension of Lavender Road, and the previous direction from the BOCC was to see if the County could withdraw from the 1981 agreement with the State.

McClain questioned the language in the agreement. Director Drexler stated that he feels the language is specific that when the road is brought up to County Standards, that the County will then take it on system. The BOCC questioned the length and location of Lavender Road.

**Board Direction:**

**Check language in original 1981 Agreement with WSDOT and place on agenda for February 11<sup>th</sup> study session.**

**GRANT COUNTY PUD**  
**AGREEMENT RE: VANTAGE**  
**BOAT LAUNCH:**

Director Drexler stated that the last direction from the BOCC on this issue was to discuss this with the Prosecutor's Office. Grant County PUD responded that they would clean the restrooms 7 days a week. Prosecutor Neil Caulkins stated that Grant County's licensing agreement requires them to pay \$15,000 towards the upkeep of the facility, yet their contract with Kittitas County says they will reimburse only \$10,000 to Kittitas County. Caulkins outlined the County's options and discussion followed. Director Drexler stated that Kittitas County pays for the water, sewer, electricity, toilet paper and other supply costs, which total around \$18,000 per year. There was a previous grant which paid for garbage disposal costs, but that has run out. It was discussed that this restroom facility belongs to Kittitas County, as does the parking lot. Director Drexler noted that the facility serves Kittitas County as well as Grant County. Discussion followed on conditions of a new contract.

**Board Direction:**

**Contact Grant County PUD with a contract for \$15,000 reimbursement this year.**

**CLE ELUM HIGH SCHOOL**  
**PRESENTATION:**

Art Teacher Chris Hamel and students presented a Power Point presentation showing what their proposed wall painting project would look like, along with colors and species of fish. Lisa French explained that her design shows spawning salmon and other fish swimming towards the hatchery. The wall is located under the I-90 freeway overpass on the South Cle Elum road. Discussion followed on the ownership of the wall. Hamel added that long term maintenance would be addressed by a ten year agreement with the school district. Commissioner Crankovich noted that BNSF would have to be notified of work within their right of way.

**Board Direction:**

**Contact WSDOT to determine ownership of the wall.**

**WINSTON BRIDGE**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT:**

Director Drexler stated that he met with Art Solbakken of Suncadia regarding the bridge. Suncadia has US Forest Service permits but the USFS is requiring that they go through the County. Doug D'Hondt stated that he wants the USFS to know that Suncadia and not the County crafted the documents. Solbakken explained that the road crosses USFS land and the bridge will be on USFS land, but Suncadia pays all costs and turns it over to the County. Director Piercy questioned the NEPA process. Commissioner McClain noted that the County has no agreement with Suncadia on this bridge yet. Director Piercy noted that existing documents stated that there would be a bridge, and discussions led up to this location and arrangement. He asked if the project is on the County 6 year TIP, and if not, then it needs to be added. Commissioner Bowen stated that the public hearing process needs to be followed, and a hearing should be set for February 19.

**Board Direction:**

**Set a public hearing to amend the 6 year TIP to include the Winston Bridge Project.**

**LETTER TO DOC HASTINGS:**

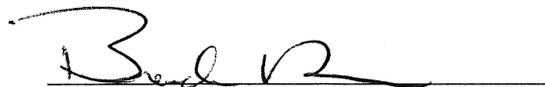
Bowen explained the letter from the Economic Development Group of Kittitas County to Representative Doc Hastings, supporting the I-90 improvement project. The letter needs a public meeting to have all three County Commissioners signatures. The Commissioners voted to sign the letter.

**Board Direction:**

**No Board direction.**

At 4:00 pm the Commissioners called for an Executive Session to last about 20 minutes to discuss possible litigation.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm.

  
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Brandon Drexler