

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

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

JULY 1, 2008

Board members present: Chairman Mark McClain; Vice-Chairman Alan Crankovich and Commissioner Linda Huber.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Matthew Anderson, Fair Program Director; Cathy Bambrick, Public Health Director; Mackenzie Moynihan, Staff Planner; Trudie Pettit, Staff Planner; Dan Valoff, Staff Planner; Jerry Pettit, Auditor; Darryl Piercy, Director of Community Development Services; Doug D'Hondt, County Engineer; Kelly Carlson, Public Works Administrative Assistant/Airport Manager; Jim Van de Venter, Interim Public Works Director; Nicole Dunn, Public Health Educator; Lisa Young, Human Resources Manager; Kirk Eslinger, Human Resources Director; Allison Kimball, Assistant Director of Community Development Services; Gene Dana, Sheriff; Michael Carpenter, Facilities Maintenance Director; Joyce Julsrud, Clerk; and 4 members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman McClain called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLIEGANCE

Chairman McClain led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES

Cathy Bambrick, Director of Public Health introduced Nicole Dunn as their new Public Health Educator.

PROCLAMATIONS - NONE

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS - NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman McClain noted Consent Item C had been removed from the Agenda and Item G had been moved to Board Discussion & Decision and Item J under Board Discussion & Decision had been removed from the Agenda. He announced that two items had been added to Administrative Matters.

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve the Agenda as amended.

Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda were distributed to the Board of County Commissioners in advance for study and were enacted by one motion with separate discussion to the extent any items were removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of a Board member.

Chairman McClain noted Consent Item C had been removed from the Agenda and Item G had been moved to Board Discussion & Decision.

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

DATE	MEETING	RE:
3-5-08	Special Meeting	BOCC/Law & Justice
4-2-08	Special Meeting	BOCC/Law & Justice
5-12-08	Regular Meeting	CDS Study Session
5-13-08	Special Meeting	Dist #1 Candidates
5-14-08	Special Meeting	PRE-Budget Retreat
5-14-08	Special Meeting	EWGMHB
6-3-08	Special Meeting	BOCC Public Hearings
6-4-08	Special Meeting	BOCC/Law & Justice
6-16-08	Regular Meeting	BOCC Department Head Meetings
6-16-08	Regular Meeting	BOCC Office Admin Meeting
6-16-08	Special Meeting	Executive Session
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6-16-08	Special Meeting	U/C Parks Imp Fund
6-16-08	Special Meeting	Grandstand Flooring

**REQUEST TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT FOR INMATE HOUSING 2008/09 BETWEEN
YAKIMA COUNTY AND KITTITAS COUNTY - ITEM MOVED TO BOARD DISCUSSION &
DECISION**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WA. STATE TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION SHERIFF

Approve a budget amendment and a Memorandum of Understanding between the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office and the Washington Traffic Safety Commission, in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the period October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008, to assist a designated Traffic Safety Corridor project with special traffic safety emphasis patrol activity.

AGREEMENT BELSASS & SMITH CONSTRUCTION, INC. SOLID WASTE

Approve an Agreement between Kittitas County and Belsass & Smith Construction for the Ryegrass Leachate Conveyance and Tank Storage Building project, in the amount of \$106,868.16.

LEASE CITY OF ELLENSBURG - TRANSFER STATION SOLID WASTE

Approve a Lease Agreement between Kittitas County and the City of Ellensburg, for the Ellensburg Transfer Station property and the old transfer station site, in the amount of \$28,000.00 for the first year, and shall be increased or decreased by the consumer price index on January 1st of each year.

AMENDMENT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PUBLIC HEALTH

Acknowledge Amendment No. 10 to the 2007-2011 Consolidated Contract Number C14952, between the Department of Health and the Kittitas County Public Health Department for an increase of \$181.00 for a maximum of \$939,198.00 for the period of January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2011.

AGREEMENT YAKIMA HEALTH DISTRICT PUBLIC HEALTH

Acknowledge an Agreement between the Yakima Health District and the Kittitas County Public Health Department, for the Breast and Cervical Health Program, for the period beginning July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the First United Methodist Church and the Kittitas County Public Health Department, to provide the use of space for conducting harm reduction education, testing and counseling and supply distribution, for the period beginning June 28, 2008 through May 31, 2009.

AGREEMENT**EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM/DSHS****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement No. 0863-43655 between the State of Washington, Department of Social Health Services, Children's Administration and Kittitas County, in the amount of \$6,000.00 to provide Early Intervention Program to provide direct intervention services to families, refer families to other community service providers, or assist families in obtaining concrete services to reduce risk of abuse and neglect of children in the home for the period beginning July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

AMENDMENT**STATE RECORDS MANAGEMENT DIVISION****CLERK**

Approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$25,000.00 and Amendment No. 1 to Grant Agreement G-3730, between the State of Washington, Office of the Secretary of State, Archives and Records Management Division and the Kittitas County Clerk, in the amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for a revised total amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.

CONTRACT**USARCHIVE & IMAGING SERVICES****CLERK**

Approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$19,460.00 and a Contract between the Kittitas County Clerk's office and USArchive & Imaging Services in the amount not to exceed \$19,460.00, for digital conversion of Superior Court records paper files.

AGREEMENT**USDA FOREST SERVICE****SHERIFF**

Approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$54,500.00 and Agreement No. 08-LE-11061700-070, between the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office and the United States Department of Agriculture, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Service, under the provisions of Cooperative Agreement No. 04-LE-11061720-003 executed on April 19, 2004, for the period beginning January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008, to provide a Deputy for law enforcement patrols on national forest lands.

CALL FOR BIDS**RUBBER TIRE SKID STEER LOADER****PUBLIC WORKS**

Approve a Notice of Call for Bids for one new rubber tire skid steer loader, to be accepted until 2:00 p.m. July 16, 2008, to be publicly opened and read aloud at the Kittitas County Department of Public Works, 411 N. Ruby, Suite #1, Ellensburg, Washington, and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

SET CLOSED RECORD HEARING**HENLEY REZONE (Z-07-10)****CDS**

Approve setting a Closed Record Hearing to consider the Henley Rezone (Z-07-10), an application for a zone change from Agricultural-20 to

Agricultural-5 of approximately 49.48 acres located West of Bettas Road and West of SR-97, Cle Elum, Washington, to be held on Tuesday July 15, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Avenue, Ellensburg, Washington.

CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

BURN BAN

COUNTY WIDE BURN BAN

CDS

Darryl Piercy, Director of Community Development Services/Fire Marshal, recommended a burn ban due to high temperatures, low humidity and lack of rainfall.

Commissioner Crankovich moved to acknowledge the Fire Marshal's determination for a County Wide burn ban, effective 12:00 p.m. on Thursday July 3, 2008, not including areas within the boundaries of Fire District 2 (outlying Ellensburg) and Fire District 4 (Vantage), and not including areas within incorporated cities. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

ENGINEER/RODEO ARENA GRANDSTANDS

FAIR

Commissioner Huber moved to acknowledge a Request for Qualifications from professional engineering firms to evaluate, upgrade, and draft an installation plan for the rodeo arena grandstands floorboards and stairwells refurbishment including short term and long-term strategies, to be accepted no later than July 8, 2008 by 3:00 p.m. to be publically opened and read aloud at the Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Avenue, Room 108, Ellensburg, Washington. Commissioner Crankovich seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - NONE

BOARD DISCUSSION & DECISION

AGREEMENT

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING LOCAL 792CH

HUMAN RESOURCES

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve and authorize the Board to sign upon receipt a Collective Bargaining Agreement between Kittitas County Board of Commissioners, Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Treasurer, Upper and Lower County District Courts and Council 2 Washington State Council of County and City Employees Representing Local 792CH, American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, for the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2010. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION**COURTHOUSE CURTAINWALL REPLACEMENT****MAINTENANCE**

Michael Carpenter, Facilities Maintenance Director, explained there were three quotations received for the Courthouse Curtainwall replacement project. The low bidder was received from M. Sevigny Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,004,000.00.

Commissioner Crankovich noted the bid received for the Kittitas County Courthouse Curtainwall replacement project did not address disruption to county offices and any subsequent change orders could result in a total of \$1.5 million dollars. He explained it had been two years to finally come to the point of receiving bids and when it first began it was estimated at \$600,000.00 for the project, through no fault of the new Facilities Maintenance Director. He indicated the county has more immediate needs to address and the project should be put on hold.

Commissioner Crankovich moved to table the issue relating to the Courthouse Curtainwall project. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION 2008-107**FOWLER CREEK ROAD RECONSTRUCTION****PUBLIC WORKS**

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve Resolution No. 2008-107, to authorize a Call for Bids for the Fowler Creek Road reconstruction project, to be received and publicly opened at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday July 17, 2008 at the Kittitas County Department of Public Works, 411 North Ruby, Suite 1, Ellensburg, Washington, and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

CLOSED RECORD HEARING**GRAHAM REZONE (Z-08-02) & SP (SP-08-02)****CDS**

Mackenzie Moynihan, Staff Planner reviewed the Graham Rezone (Z-08-02) and Graham Family Short Plat (SP-08-02) an application submitted by Richard Graham, landowner, for a rezone from Forest & Range to Rural-3 along with a short plat application to subdivide approximately 12.19 acres into 4-lots, ranging in size of approximately 3.00 acres each. The subject property is located south of Interstate-90, off Lower Peoh Point Road, Cle Elum, Washington (Map Number 19-16-04030-0013). She said the Planning Commission approved by a vote of 3-1 to forward the Graham Rezone (Z-08-02) and Graham Family Short Plat (SP-08-02) to the Kittitas County Board of County Commissioners with a recommendation of denial.

Commissioner Crankovich explained that after reviewing the record including the Planning Commission's findings of fact, they mentioned spot or island rezone and the county does not have any of those definitions in the county code. He indicated it makes things difficult when issues are added to the record when they are not in the rezone request such as spot zoning and noted opinion versus fact.

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve the request for the Graham Rezone (Z-08-02) and Graham Family Short Plat (SP-08-02) and to direct staff to prepare enabling documents. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

CLOSED RECORD MEETING PONDEROSA PINE PRELIMINARY PLAT (P-07-42) CDS

Dan Valoff, Staff Planner, reviewed the Ponderosa Pines Preliminary Plat (P-07-42), an application from Dave Blanchard, authorized agent for Cooper Pass, LLC, landowner, for a 12-lot Plat on approximately 60.11 acres of land zoned Rural-5, located North of Columbia Avenue and East of Montgomery Avenue, Cle Elum, Washington (Map Number 20-15-25-58-0004). He said the Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Element designates the subject property as Rural and the current zoning is Rural-5. He said the Planning Commission approved a vote of 3-1 to forward the Ponderosa Pines Preliminary Plat (P-07-42) to the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners with a recommendation of denial.

Commissioner Crankovich felt there was no rationale behind denying the request from the Planning Commission's recommendations and findings other than a generic statement that they don't like the request. He thought the Planning Commission's recommendation of denial must have substantial documentation of why they believe the request should be denied. He suggested remanding it back to the Planning Commission. Chairman McClain explained the Planning Commission's membership is currently down and he was worried about not having a quorum and the request being unnecessarily delayed.

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve the Ponderosa Pines Preliminary Plat (P-07-42) and direct staff to prepare enabling documents. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

CLOSED RECORD MEETING THUNDER RIDGE PRELIMINARY PLAT (P-07-23) CDS

Dan Valoff, Staff Planner, reviewed the Thunder Ridge Preliminary Plat (P-07-23), an application from Chuck Cruse, authorized agent for Thunder Ridge Development LLC, landowner, for a division of 8.02 acres into 8 lots, ranging in size from 0.83 acres to 1.32 acres in size. The subject property is located East of the City of Cle Elum located off of Deer Meadow Drive, Cle Elum, Washington (Map Number 20-15-25056-0002). He said the Comprehensive Plan's Land Use Elements designate the property as Rural and the current zoning is Rural Residential. The application is vested under the Suburban II zoning standards in place on May 5, 2007, the date the application was submitted. The Planning Commission voted by a motion of 5 to 0 to forward a recommendation of approval.

Chairman McClain said was disappointed with City of Cle Elum's lack of

detail on their letter submitted as part of the record. He said the applicant and City must have had some type of conversation of negotiations. Commissioner Crankovich felt they must have met half way because of the deterioration on Third Street and that is why the City may have relaxed their requirements noting it would be paved. Commissioner Huber noted the County does not have jurisdiction over the City. Mr. Valoff noted the location was outside the UGA.

Commissioner Huber moved to approve the Thunder Ridge Preliminary Plat (P-07-23). Commissioner Crankovich seconded. Motion failed 1-2 (Chairman McClain and Commissioner Crankovich voted against the motion).

Commissioner Crankovich moved to deny the Thunder Ridge Preliminary Plat (P-07-23) and direct staff to prepare enabling documents. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-1 (Commissioner Huber voted against the motion).

CLOSED RECORD MEETING SUNSET FARMS PRELIMINARY PLAT (P-07-60) CDS

Trudie Pettit, Staff Planner, reviewed the Sunset Farm Preliminary Plat (P-07-60), an application from Terry Ostergaard, authorized agent for Gene Lamoureux, landowner, for a division of approximately 20.00 acres of land into 6 lots ranging in size from 3.24 acres to 3.74 acres. She said the property is located East of the City of Kittitas, South of Vantage Highway and North of Sunset Road, Ellensburg (Map Numbers 17-20-03000-0002 and 17-20-02000-0009). She said the Planning Commission passed a motion by a vote of 4-0 with one member absent, to forward a recommendation of approval for the Sunset Farm Preliminary Plat (P-07-60).

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve the Sunset Farms Preliminary Plat (P-07-60) and direct staff to prepare enabling documents. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

CLOSED RECORD HEARING FIRKINS REZONE (Z-08-01) & PLAT (P-08-02) CDS

Mackenzie Moynihan, Staff Planner, reviewed the Firkins Rezone (Z-08-01) and Firkins Preliminary Plat (P-08-02) and Firkins Preliminary Plat (P-08-02), an application from Cam Sherwood, authorized agent for Charles Firkins, landowner, for a rezone from Agriculture-20 to Agriculture-3 together with a preliminary plat application to subdivide approximately 15.03 acres into 5-lots, approximately 3.00 acres each in size. The Planning Commission approved a motion by a vote of 3-1 to forward the Firkins Rezone (Z-08-01) to the Board of County Commissioners with a recommendation of denial, and they approved a motion by a vote of 3-1 to forward the Firkins Preliminary Plat (P-08-02) to the Board of County Commissioners with a recommendation of approval.

Commissioner Crankovich moved to remand the Firkins Rezone (Z-08-01) and the Firkins Preliminary Plat (P-08-02) back to the Planning Commission for further review. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

FUNDING REQUEST

HOPESOURCE TRANSPORTATION

COMMISSIONERS

Larry Anderson, representing HopeSource explained they were seeking consideration for a funding increase in the amount of \$50,000.00 for its county wide transportation program due to the budget strain caused by the rapid increase in fuel expenses which has more than doubled, along with it would be more in line proportionally with the expenses incurred to provide county residents with transportation options in light of WSDOT's funding. He indicated that they anticipate having provided approximately 20,000 rides by the end of 2008 and along with Central Washington Transit it would be around 65,000 rides. He said excluding the Central Washington Transit, thirty percent of the hours are "county hours". He said they've managed to not approach the County before because they've been able to handle everything, but they are seeking consideration for any additional funding to assist them. He mentioned that any financial support from the community shown will assist them when asking for additional State dollars.

Commissioner Huber explained that the County is currently unsure as to where they stand regarding the increase in fuel costs along with the current revenues and has asked the Budget & Finance manager to look into it. She felt it would be premature on the County's part to commit to any funds without first looking at their own budget. Commissioner Crankovich said they may have to go back to the core of what their services are providing to the community and said the major concerns should be with the senior population, medical needs and to be aware they are not going into a "public transportation system". He said everyone is looking into any way of alleviating the rising fuel costs.

Mr. Anderson explained how some of the transportation being provided was part of actual needs received from a rural competitive grant award to serve the general public.

Tom Hanson, representing the Washington State Department of Transportation, Public Transportation Division, said HopeSource had made their application more viable for funding by making it for public transportation, not limiting it to medical and handicapped uses. He offered to come and hold a workshop for the Board of County Commissioners if they were interested. He felt it was unfortunate timing for everyone. Commissioner Crankovich said he was not opposed to provide additional funding, but the County needs to first take a look at where they currently are.

Commissioner Huber moved to acknowledge the funding request from

HopeSource and to take no action. Commissioner Crankovich seconded.
Motion carried 3-0.

DISCUSSION OF THE 6TH & PINE PARKING LOT - ITEM REMOVED AT THE REQUEST OF THE BOARD.

CONTRACT

YAKIMA COUNTY JAIL

SHERIFF

Sheriff Gene Dana requested to continue the request for consideration of a Jail Contract with Yakima County to the July 15, 2008 Agenda Session. Commissioner Huber moved to continue the Contract between Yakima County and Kittitas County for inmate housing, to Tuesday July 15, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Ellensburg, Washington. Commissioner Crankovich seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Crankovich moved to adjourn at 11:10 a.m. Commissioner Huber seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Julie A. Kjorsvik

Mark McClain, Chairman