

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

MONDAY

3:00 PM

DECEMBER 1, 2008

Board members present: Chairman Mark McClain; Vice-Chairman Alan Crankovich; Commissioner Paul Jewell.

Others present: Catherine Dunn, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mandy Weed, Community Development Services; Marsha Weyand and Cindy Adams, Assessor's Office; Jerry Pettit, Auditor and Judy Pless, Budget and Finance Manager; Linda Childs, Upper District Court; Joyce Julsrud, Clerk and Sarah Keith; Todd Davis, Noxious Weed Board; William Holmes, Probation Services; Cathy Bambrick, Public Health Manager and Amber Simon; Michael Carpenter, Maintenance; Tip Hudson, WSU Extension; Clay Meyers, Bob Gubser and Steve Panattoni, Sheriff Office; Kirk Holmes and Kathy Jurgens, Public Works; Deanna Panattoni, Treasurer and Judy Young; Duke Senter, Information Services; Matt Anderson, Fair Director; Brenda Larsen, Fire Marshal; Patti Johnson, Solid Waste; Joseph Whalen and Lisa Young, Human Resources.

Other Persons present: Patrick Kelleher, Catherine Clerf

PUBLIC HEARING

2009 BUDGET

AUDITOR

At approximately 3:00 PM **CHAIRMAN McCLAIN** opened the meeting. He thanked the departments for their hard work in making cuts. **JUDY PLESS, BUDGET AND FINANCE MANAGER**, presented the balanced 2009 Budget:

General Fund	24,044,204.00
Airport	1,051,317.00
Vehicle Replacement	800,000.00
Sheriff K-9	100.00
Community Services	1,104,599.00
County Road	20,945,049.00
Public Facilities	2,106,000.00
EIS Trust	200,000.00
Low Income Housing	495,000.00
Recreation	26,800.00
Homelessness Housing Assist	313,000.00
Trial Court Improvement	110,500.00
Public Health	1,646,696.00
Veterans Assistance	75,000.00

911 Emergency Phone System	900,000.00
3/10's Criminal Justice Tax	1,500,000.00
Treasurer ULID/RID Reserve	45,580.00
Noxious Weed	265,000.00
Auditor Centennial Document Preservation	422,000.00
Misdemeanant Probation	797,000.00
Prosecutor Victim/Witness	217,000.00
Drug Assessment	150,000.00
Public Defense	50,000.00
Stadium Fund (Hotel/Motel)	76,000.00
2001 Fair Bond	200,100.00
Refund Fund	100.00
CRID 96-1 Bond	139,000.00
CRID 96-1 Guaranty	132,200.00
1991 Fair Bond	112,067.00
Capital Improvements	750,000.00
Rodeo Grounds/Fair Capital Improvement	50,000.00
Solid Waste	4,534,690.00
Equipment Rental Revolving	6,035,600.00
Unemployment Compensation	70,000.00
Jerry Williams Regional Library Trust	100.00

Total County Budget \$69,364,702.00

She said that the difference between this and what was advertized is the additional cuts the departments had made.

CHAIRMAN McCLAIN asked about increases in the Prosecutor's office. **JUDY PLESS** answered the questions. There was no one present from the Prosecutor's office to answer the questions. He asked about increases in Human Resources and Treasurer Budgets. **VICE-CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** said that increases in projected fuel costs would be the wild card.

CHAIRMAN McCLAIN opened the public testimony. **PAT KELLEHER**, 6530 Wilson Creek RD, Ellensburg testified on Budget Line item 113, Recreation and Parks. He felt that Grant County PUD should be funding everything at the Vantage Boat Ramp as they own all recreation sites within their dam permit area.

CATHERINE CLERF, 60 Moe RD, Ellensburg, cautioned the Board about the potential of more economic downturns and the possible need for more cuts in the spring.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER TESTIMONY, THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY WAS CLOSED.

CHAIRMAN McCLAIN expressed concern over the lack of cuts in the Prosecutor's budget. He said that everyone else did their part.

VICE-CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH agreed saying that he applauded the work done by the departments. **COMMISSIONER JEWELL** echoed those comments and suggested the hearing be continued until tomorrow.

VICE-CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH moved to continue the public hearing until December 2, 2008 at 2:00 PM in the Commissioners' Auditorium, noting the record is closed to public testimony. **COMMISSIONER JEWELL** seconded the motion. Motion carried, 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Catherine Dunn

Mark McClain, Chairman