

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

THURSDAY

3:00 PM

DECEMBER 17, 2009

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

Others: Catherine Dunn, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Kirk Holmes, Director of Public Works and Interim Director of Community Development Services; Jan Ollivier, Planning Manager; Dan Valoff, Planner II; Community Development Services; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor; Wayne Nelson.

SPECIAL MEETING 2009 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT CDS

At 3:00 p.m. **Chairman Alan Crankovich** opened the special meeting continued from December 15,2009 to consider the Planning Commission's recommendations on the 2009 Comprehensive Plan Annual Amendments. He noted that the record was closed. There were two docketed items left to consider, CP-09-07 and CP-09-09.

CP-09-07 Text Amendment to KCC17.28.030, 17.28A.030 and 17.29.030 to allow "commercial activities" in the agriculture zones.

Vice-Chairman Jewell noted that Neil Caulkins had added some language from the Futurewise submittal taken from the "Soccer Fields" case which stated that the same criteria for de-designation (citing poor soils) must be used for this proposed use. **Vice-Chairman Jewell** moved to approve CP-09-07 including new language placing such "commercial activities" in areas of poor soils. **Chairman Crankovich** seconded the motion. Motion carried, 2-1 (McClain opposed).

CP-09-09 Text Amendment to KCC 16.18 (Irrigation and Sprinkling) adding new chapter regarding Upper Kittitas County.

Commissioner McClain thanked Vice-Chairman Jewell for his work with the WA ST Department of Ecology to resolve the water moratorium issue. He said that the Department of Ecology in the study session said the majority of the water was consumed through lawns and gardens and the County felt this measure would help. **Commissioner McClain** moved to deny the text amendment docketed as a measure to bring the moratorium to an end.

Vice-Chairman Jewell said he appreciated the sentiment and said that negotiations were still ongoing. He seconded the motion.

Chairman Crankovich commended Vice-Chairman Jewell for his tenacious efforts. He said this amendment was only considered as it related to the lifting of the moratorium on exempt wells. Motion to deny carried, 3-0.

Chairman Crankovich moved to continue the public hearing to December 22, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium for enabling documents. The record remains closed. **Vice-Chairman Jewell** seconded the motion. Motion carried, 3-0.

The Board thanked staff for their work on the Comprehensive Plan Compliance and Annual Amendment Processes.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:12.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Catherine Dunn

Alan Crankovich, Chairman