

COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
UPPER DISTRICT COURT  
700 EAST FIRST STREET  
CLE ELUM, WASHINGTON  
SPECIAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY

6:00 P.M.

MAY 11, 2011

Board members present: Chairman Paul Jewell and Commissioner Alan Crankovich. Absent: Commissioner Obie O'Brien.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Stephanie Happold, Deputy Prosecutor; Clay Myers, Undersheriff and 3 members of the public.

**PUBLIC HEARING                      OFF-ROAD VEHICLES & SNOWMOBILES                      SHERIFF**

At 6:00 p.m. **CHAIRMAN JEWELL** opened a public hearing to consider an Ordinance amending Kittitas County Code Chapter 10.32 "Snowmobiles" and to consider repealing Kittitas County Code Chapters 10.36 "Off-Road Vehicles" and 10.37 "Off-Road and Non-Highway Vehicles".

**CLAYTON MYERS, UNDERSHERIFF** reviewed a proposed Ordinance which would amend Kittitas County Code Chapter 10.32 (Snowmobiles) and to repeal Kittitas County Code Chapters 10.35 and 10.37. He said the reason behind the proposal to repeal the Chapters is to be more consistent with Title 46 of the Revised Code of Washington. He indicated the Sheriff's office have communication plans in place to get the word out to the public including their standard Public Service Announcements, posting signs, informational flyers and mailings to clubs. The information would also be placed on the County website as well as Plum Creek's.

**COMMISSIONER CRANKOVICH** felt it was a private lands/property rights issue and the County cannot grant someone's private property for public use. He noted there were over 100 people who attended the open houses when the issue was first brought up and was surprised to see the lack of public at the public hearing. The Board felt the lack of attendance, may have been due to the success of the open houses and getting the word out to people about the specifics and they no longer had questions.

**CHAIRMAN JEWELL** said although some of the changes may look to be significant, they are redundant and in accordance with State

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law. He also thought there would be more public in attendance, but it must be a reflection of understanding of the issues.

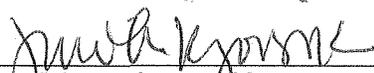
**ORDINANCE 2011-004      OFF-ROAD VEHICLES & SNOWMOBILES      SHERIFF**

**COMMISSIONER CRANKOVICH** moved to approve Ordinance No. 2011-004, Amending Kittitas County Code Chapter 10.32 and Repealing Kittitas County Code Chapters 10.36 and 10.37. **CHAIRMAN JEWELL** seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

**CLERK OF THE BOARD**

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
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Julie Kjorsvik

  
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Paul Jewell, Commissioner