

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

**TUESDAY**

**2:00 P.M.**

**DECEMBER 20, 2011**

Board members present: Chairman Paul Jewell, Vice-Chairman Alan Crankovich and Commissioner O'Brien.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Jan Ollivier, Transportation Manager; Mandy Robinson, Deputy Clerk of the Board and Maria Fischer, Engineer Tech.; Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager; Phil Hess, Consulting Forester;

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**PUBLIC HEARING**

**OPEN SPACE TIMBER - KEENEY**

**COMMISSIONERS**

At 2:00 p.m. **CHAIRMAN JEWELL** opened a public hearing to consider a Current Use Open Space Timber application from Benjamin & Norinne Kenney (Map Number 19-16-02000-0036).

**MANDY ROBINSON, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD** reviewed a Staff Report and indicated the Kenney's had submitted their Open Space Timber application for 18.19 acres, along with the required filing fee and Forest Land Stewardship Plan. The Assessor's office indicated their application was sufficient relating to parcel number, legal description, and acreage and was found to be complete.

**PHIL HESS, CONSULTING FORESTER** said he had prepared the Forest Land Stewardship Plan on behalf of the applicant. He noted it was a transfer from Designated Forest Land to Open Space Timber Tax Status, and stated there were six (6) acres that did not qualify for Designated Forest Land, due to it being non-forest property. He said the six (6) acres that did not qualify for other tax status and would be assessed at fair market value. The plan referenced County Code Title 12, along with the Department of Revenue Guidelines for Timber Management Plans of June 2010. The applicant included goals and objectives for a long term forest management plan and has a good working knowledge of applicable forestry and related stewardship practices. He reviewed information on pre-commercial and commercial thinning on the property.

**THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING: ROBERT KEENEY** said he was representing his family and is familiar with forest management. He requested the Board's support of their application. **THERE BEING NO OTHERS REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.**

**APPROVED**  
1/4/2012

**COMMISSIONER CRANKOVICH** moved to approve the Current Use Open Space Timber application from Benjamin & Norinne Keeney and authorize the Chair to sign the taxation agreements. **COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**AMEND 2011 COUNTY BUDGET**

**AUDITOR**

At 2:15 p.m. **CHAIRMAN JEWELL** opened a Public Hearing to consider amending the 2011 County budget in the amount of \$1,972,088.00.

**JUDY PLESS, BUDGET & FINANCE MANAGER** reviewed the proposed budget amendments, stating the total amount to be amended is \$1,972,088.00.

**THERE BEING NO ONE REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.**

**RESOLUTION 2011-134**

**AMEND 2011 COUNTY BUDGET**

**AUDITOR**

**COMMISSIONER CRANKOVICH** moved to approve Resolution No. 2011-134, Amending the 2011 County Budget. **COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**CHANDLER ROAD**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

At 2:20 p.m. **CHAIRMAN JEWELL** opened a Public Hearing to consider adding a portion of Chandler Road from MP .19 to MP 0.228 onto the County Road Maintenance System.

**JAN OLLIVIER, TRANSPORTATION MANAGER** reviewed a Staff Report stating the Woods & Steele Terrace Short Plat, Oak Tree Estates Plat, Oren Estates Plat and Carpine Plat are included on the dedication of the portion of Chandler Road right-of-way. The County Maintenance Road Foreman requested that the portion of Chandler Road from MP 0.19 to 0.228 to be brought onto the County Road Maintenance System, since their crews have been plowing that portion of Chandler Road since it was constructed to turn the plow around at the end. She indicated Chandler Road has been constructed to meet County Road Standards.

**THERE BEING NO ONE IN ATTENDANCE REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.**

**RESOLUTION 2011-135**

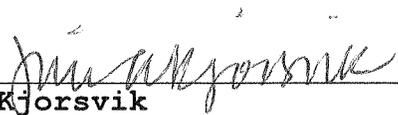
**CHANDLER ROAD**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**COMMISSIONER CRANKOVICH** moved to approve Resolution No. 2011-135, Adopting portions of Chandler Road on to the County Road Maintenance System. **COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

  
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Julie Kjorsvik

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Paul Jewell, Chairman