

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

TUESDAY

2:00 P.M.

NOVEMBER 29, 2011

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

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Sue Higginbotham, Administrative Assistant; Jason Ecklund, GIS Analyst; Jerry Pettit, Auditor and three members of the public.

PUBLIC HEARING BOCC DISTRICT & PRECINCT LINES COMMISSIONERS

At 2:00 p.m. **VICE-CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** opened a Public Hearing to consider redrawing County Commissioner Districts and Precinct lines.

JERRY PETTIT, AUDITOR gave a staff report and said the purpose of the hearing was to consider balancing out Commissioner Districts and Precinct lines, based upon population figures following the 2010 census. He noted there was not a lot of difference after the census results came out. He explained how the Board met during public meetings and came up with a proposal for each District, which was then followed by setting a public hearing in order to obtain public testimony on the proposed amendments. He stated that Commissioner lines have to follow precinct lines. He gave the population numbers with the proposed changes to include District 1 (13,630), District 2 (13,650) and District 3 (13,635).

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

COMMISSIONER OBRIEN moved to accept the redistricting map, as proposed and to direct staff to prepare enabling documents for the December 20, 2011 Agenda. **VICE-CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** seconded.

COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN said the Board had spent hours trying to balance out the numbers and make changes to what made sense for the Districts. **VICE-CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** noted there had been a lot of effort on the proposal and to have a difference of only twenty from high to low, he felt it was as close as they could ever get. The Board thanked Jason Ecklund for his work on the GIS portion, as well as the Auditor and his staff.

Motion carried 2-0.

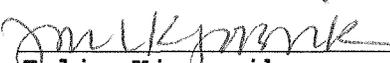
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COMMISSIONER CRANKOVICH moved to continue the Public Hearing to Tuesday December 20, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. to consider enabling documents. **COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN** seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Julie Kjorsvik


Alan Crankovich, Vice-Chairman