

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM
SPECIAL MEETING**

WEDNESDAY

3:00 P.M.

JANUARY 11, 2012

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

Others: Mandy Robinson, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Kirk Holmes, Public Works Director; Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Project Manager; Doc Hansen, Planning Official and Larry Condon, Business Development with SRM Development LLC.

SPECIAL MEETING SRM DEVELOPMENT/CERB APPLICATION COMMISSIONERS

At 3:00 p.m. Chairman Crankovich opened a Special Meeting to discuss funding possibilities for an Independent Compost Facility. He explained that this was a follow up meeting from December 19, 2011 to bring additional County staff up to speed on the proposal.

Larry Condon, Business Development with SRM Development LLC explained CERB and HUD funding. He reviewed how the process for each of the funding options work from the time the property is acquired to the day the facility opens and is fully operational. He indicated that he has people that can apply for the funding on behalf of the County or if the County wants to do it that is okay too.

Commissioner Jewell reviewed the project that was done in Lincoln County & his understanding of the CERB loan process. He indicated that he would like to see the documents for the CERB loan and get the County's Prosecutor review on the documents also.

Larry Condon explained the relationship between SRM Development and PacifiClean. Commissioner Crankovich asked what if any hurdles did they encounter while the Lincoln County project was being done. Mr. Condon explained that there were only political hurdles which he fully expected. He explained that at the Public Hearing there was only one citizen that spoke in opposition of the project. He stated that he is scheduled to meet the land owner of the proposed site following the meeting today.

Commissioner Jewell and Kirk Holmes, Director of Public Works discussed rural development funding and the similarities to CERB funding. Mr. Holmes indicated that the County will never be without risk but these types of loans are extremely low risk.

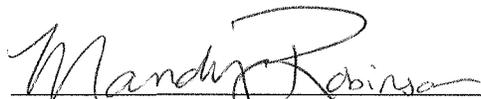
The Board discussed what the facility could be used for in the event that the business was un-successful.

Commissioner O'Brien questioned whether or not the "target market" had been identified. Larry Condon indicated that they do have a target market identified and are continuing to have discussions. Mr. Condon reviewed the timeline for determining if the products are useable and indicated that this facility will create between 20 - 25 jobs when it's fully up and running.

The Board indicated that they would like to get the information for the County Prosecutors to review the documents as well as having the County's finance staff. Mr. Condon stated that the majority of the work is done by PacifiClean, and they will just need a point person at the County to work with. The Board expressed their support regarding the project and would like to see it move forward after the County reviews the necessary documents to secure the funding source etc.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD



Mandy Robinson

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Alan Crankovich, Chairman