



KITTITAS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

STUDY SESSION MINUTES January 14, 2013

THOSE PRESENT:

Obie O'Brien, Paul Jewell, Gary Berndt, Kirk Holmes, Jan Ollivier, Christina Wollman, Kelly Bacon, Kathy Jurgens, Candie Leader (DPW), Doc Hansen, Mandy Weed, Lindsey Ozbolt (CDS)

GUESTS PRESENT:

Mark Teske, Anna Lael

Kirk requested that Item 7 – Payment of Puget Sound Energy Claim on Godawa Lane be removed from the Agenda.

SRFB GRANT – YAKIMA RIVER ASSESSMENT:

Kirk requested to move the project sponsorship for the grant from the Kittitas County Conservation District to the Flood Control Zone District now that the District is formed. Commissioner O'Brien asked Anna Lael from KCCD if there were any issues with the change. Anna stated that the project is a great fit for the FCZD and at the time of the application the District was not formed.

Board Direction:

Move Sponsorship from KCCD to the FCZD.

BROWNFIELDS GRANT:

Kelly Bacon presented the Board with a grant application through the Brownfields program and the City of Ellensburg for a site assessment for the Lower County Shop. The grant is for an assessment only and is to locate any hazardous material at the site. Commissioner Jewell questioned if the grant was with the City of Ellensburg and if Kelly had the grant with her for review. Jan added that the City of Ellensburg has two grants through the program and asked our department to apply for the funding since our facility is within city limits. Kelly added that Neil Caulkins had reviewed the agreement and didn't note any issues with it. Commissioner Jewell made motion for approval and Commissioner Berndt seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

Board Direction:

Motion made and approved to sign the agreement.

DFIRM UPDATE:

The project of updating the FEMA maps from 1981 is ongoing. Kirk and Christina Wollman have been reviewing the map updates and are not impressed with the product

so far. The maps are incorrect and they have been working on gathering information on how the updates were performed and what data was used. Kirk had a meeting with the City of Ellensburg on the issue and have decided that a joint letter should be drafted requesting a consultation with FEMA for the background the consultant used to come up with the new maps before any comment will be given. Kirk explained that it would have been beneficial for the consultant to visit with County staff and review the areas before updating the maps and that step did not happen.

Board Direction:

No Direction.

**FCZD – EARLY WORK
PLAN:**

Kirk presented the BOCC a memo outlining an early work plan for the Flood Control Zone District. Discussion was held on the CFHMP Update; the DFIRM Update including staff involvement on the project; Flow Enhancement/Improvement Pilot Projects involving additional gauge placement and Public Outreach/Education.

Board Direction:

No Direction.

**VANTAGE BOAT RAMP
GARBAGE:**

Kirk has been in contact with Kelly Larimer from Grant County PUD regarding the garbage facility at the Vantage Boat Ramp. The dumpsters were originally placed for recreational users of the boat ramp but it is now becoming a dumpster for the citizens of Vantage. Kirk would like to have a "pack it in/pack it out" policy and get rid of the dumpster. This would be a trial situation to see how it works.

Board Direction:

Implement the "pack it in/pack it out" on a trial basis and report back with findings.



Kirk Holmes
Public Works Director