

COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS AUDITORIUM
SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY

3:30 P.M.

NOVEMBER 26, 2013

Board members present: Chairman Obie O'Brien & Vice-Chairman Paul Jewell. Excused: Commissioner Gary Berndt.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager; Mandy Weed, Administrative Assistant; Doc Hansen, Planning Official; Kathy Jurgens, Finance Systems Manager; Deanna Panattoni, Treasurer; Gene Dana, Sheriff; William Holmes, Probation Services Director; Cindy Adams, Administrative Assistant; Jerry Pettit, Auditor; Jim Goeben, Information Technology Director; Joyce Julsrud, Clerk; Matt Anderson, Facilities Maintenance Director; Brenda Larsen, Fire Marshal; Tip Hudson, Extension Agent; Diana Mackenzie, Upper District Court Administrator; Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Department; Kaitlyn Reddick, Accountant; Lisa Young, HR Director; Todd Davis, Noxious Weed Program Coordinator; Robin Read, Public Health Administrator; Kelly Morrill, Legal Process Assistant III; Clay Myers, Undersheriff; Dora Van Epps, Chief Financial Manager and Kirk Holmes, Public Works Director/Interim Building Official.

SPECIAL MEETING

2014 BUDGET REVIEW

COMMISSIONERS

At 3:30 p.m. Chairman O'Brien opened a Special Meeting to meet with the County Management Team to review the proposed 2014 budget.

Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager reviewed a handout that covered the 2014 preliminary budget numbers as well as the 2014 preliminary Revenue and Expenditures. She announced that the General Fund is balanced, however the tax calculations for the general tax levy that were originally presented by the County Assessor were incorrect. She stated that the levies for Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities and Veterans are to be backed out of the total general levy. She explained that during the first budget round the amount for the Veterans fund was not reduced so the tax levy amount in the budget is \$50,000.00 over. Ms. Pless recommended the Board consider reducing the property tax item by \$50,000.00 to be covered by the beginning Fund Balance in the amount of \$25,000.00 and reduce the departmental Post Employment (LEOFF 1 employees) budget by \$25,000.00 to arrive at a balanced budget again.

The Board accepted Ms. Pless's proposal as presented.

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Commissioner Jewell reminded staff they are always welcome to attend and take part of the budget meetings. He thanked them for their work over the past year and the work they have put into their budgets. Chairman O'Brien reminded staff there will be a Public Hearing on December 2, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium where the 2014 Budget will be adopted, and encouraged staff to attend. He thanked them for their participation in the budget process.

Meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD


Mandy Buchholz

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Obie O'Brien, Chairman