

COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM
REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY

March 13, 2014

10:00

Board members present: Gary Berndt, Obie O'Brien

Others: Patti Johnson, Matt Anderson and Lisa Lawrence

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Meeting called to order at 10:10am.

Solid Waste Update included discussion on the Transfer Station scales, electric entrance gates and the possibility of placing ecology blocks near the scales as a windbreak.

Compost socks and pricing: Patti informed the Board that the equipment to make compost socks should arrive this week costing 10,800.00 vs. the original amount projected of \$25,000.00. Discussion included not purchasing the metal clamper since the clamp is not biodegradable. Further discussion included the expected life span of the equipment. Patti presented the Board with an analysis sheet on pricing compost filter socks. Discussion included customer interest, price and availability to produce filtrations socks, overstock alternatives and setting a public hearing for rates.

Offset Grant: Patti informed the Board that there was an offset grant available and that she was working on the application to provide a lecture series for the community. Patti explained the grant would focus on organic diversion in consistency with the Kittitas County Solid Waste Plan and provide education to the community on different types and beneficial uses of compost. The discussion included partnering with WSU Extension, as lead on the project from the agricultural side, the County Health Department and the Department of Ecology on permitting and regulations.

Projects Update: Discussion was held on the Armory project including estimated completion and offices move in dates of April and May. Additional discussion was held on looking at moving a power pole, and what needed to be done with the mow strip and sidewalk area.

Maintenance and Fair update: Discussion was held on Maintenance and Fair on what would happen in the interim. Matt informed the Board he had been reviewing the job descriptions and recommended that the positions be split. Discussion was held on posting the Fair position, interim possibilities and transitions. Further discussion included the upcoming deadline on the RFQ for the Master Plan at the

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fair being March 26th and that a review panel would need to be appointed for the review stage. Patti volunteered to help with that process and Matt suggested Sara for day to day operations and booking.

Discussion occurred on employee structure under maintenance, having a lead jail person and current open tickets on all the buildings. Commissioner O'Brien directed Matt to provide all open/closed maintenance tickets on all the buildings.

Discussion was held on Patti taking over maintenance in the interim. Recommended that Patti and Commissioner Jewell select the review committee for the RFQ on the Master Plan for Fair.

Other Business: Discussion was held on the PVC pipe outside the Sorenson building. Discussion was held on the vehicle fleet and maintenance. The Board directed Matt to schedule another Study Session next week prior to his leaving to discuss further the transition of the Maintenance and Fair Department.

Meeting adjourned at 11:23 – continued to March 18th @ 2:00pm

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Lisa Lawrence



Paul Jewell, Chairman