

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES  
KITITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM  
REGULAR MEETING**

**THURSDAY**

**1:30 PM**

**MARCH 20, 2014**

Board members present: Chairman Paul Jewell, Vice Chairman Gary Berndt, and Commissioner Obie O'Brien

**Others:** Judy Pless, Budget and Finance Manager and Solid Waste Director Patti Johnson

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**REGULAR MEETING**

**FINANCE STUDY SESSION**

**COMMISSIONERS**

The Board was presented with a report showing the balance in the Board of County Commissioners Document historical funds. It was estimated that by the end of 2014 there would be \$18,000. After discussion it was decided to have Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board, start the grant process for \$10,000.

Pless demonstrated an electronic version of the budget amendment process that was written by Andrew Drain, IT department for CAMAS.

Pless presented to the Board a copy of the jail costing scope of work and made recommendations for alterations for the requirements needed for the cost analysis for the Community Development Services permit fees. Pless will work with the Prosecutor to prepare a RFQ.

Pless presented preliminary year end compensated absence report, showing the liability of \$2,686,022.

**Other business**

Solid Waste Director, Patti Johnson discussed the sock project for the compost facility.

The Board discussed REET 2 local option on the sale of property. The real estate excise tax 2 option can only be used for the following and which has to go to the vote of the people. The board said they would discuss it further.

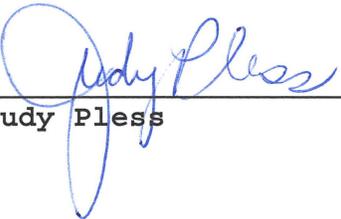
For this quarter percent of the real estate excise tax, "capital project" means those:

public works projects of a local government for planning, acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, replacement, rehabilitation, or improvement of streets, roads, highways, sidewalks, street and road lighting systems, traffic signals, bridges, domestic water systems, storm and sanitary sewer systems, and planning, construction, reconstruction, repair, rehabilitation, or improvement of parks. RCW 82.46.035(5)

RCW 82.46.035(7) allows cities and counties to use REET 2 revenues for operations and maintenance (O&M) of existing capital projects, as defined in the paragraph above. There is a limit, however, on how much can be spent on O&M. The maximum amount of REET 2 that may be spent on O&M is the greater of \$100,000 or 35 percent of the available funds, not to exceed \$1 million per year. Counties only may use REET 2 revenues to pay existing debt service on capital projects listed in RCW 82.46.010(6) - the kinds of capital projects that may be done with REET 1 revenues. This legislation sunsets on December 31, 2016

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

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**Judy Pless**

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**Paul Jewell, Chairman**