

**KITTITAS COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSIONERS AUDITORIUM
SPECIAL MEETING**

TUESDAY

2:00 P.M.

OCTOBER 21, 2014

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

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager; Clay Myers, Undersheriff; Greg Zempel, Prosecutor and one member of the public.

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CORONER UPDATE

COMMISSIONERS

At 2:04 p.m. Chairman Jewell opened a Special Meeting to receive an update from the Coroner Committee.

Chairman Jewell explained that this was a follow up meeting to the previous Coroner Committee report meeting held on September 12, 2014. He explained that he was hopeful this meeting will provide the answers the Board was waiting to hear back on.

Commissioner Berndt presented the Board with a handout that provided further discussion from the Coroner Committee after he reported back, with the questions/concerns that the Board had.

There was discussion on the following: *The projected budget figure provided for autopsy and transport and whether or not it was adequate. * Whether or not the Coroner will require both a desktop computer and a laptop with a docking station when there is a tablet currently being used that will be transferred to the Elected Coroner. * Coroner Office location and evidence space needs within the Sheriff/Prosecutor Annex if secured space is required.

Chairman Jewell and Commissioner O'Brien determined that they will proceed with the original intention to have the Coroner's Office located in the old Sheriff's Administrative office space (within the Jail). Commissioner Berndt stated that he was in favor of the Morris Sorenson location. The Board agreed that they have the first year to allow the newly Elected Coroner time to evaluate the needs of the office, and to see how best to proceed. Chairman Jewell noted that it's a secure location that will require the least amount of work and for the time being

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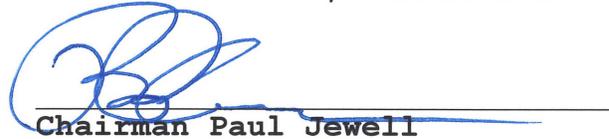
will be the least expensive to get into an official office setting as it's ready to go. The Board agreed that a desktop computer and laptop would be most effective and user friendly. That it will be accessible for the Coroner or Deputy Coroners as needed to fill in at the absence of the Elected Coroner.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD


Mandy Buchholz

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Chairman Paul Jewell