

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONER'S AUDITORIUM
SPECIAL MEETING**

MONDAY

3:00 P.M.

DECEMBER 8, 2014

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

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Mickey Webb, Event Center Director; Kirk Holmes, Public Works Director/Interim Building Official; Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Project Manager; Doc Hansen, Planning Official and Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor.

SPECIAL MEETING

BARTON PROPERTY ESA

COMMISSIONERS

At 3:07 p.m. Chairman Jewell opened a Special Meeting continued from December 5, 2014 to consider 3 proposals for Phase I environmental site assessment (Barton property).

Kirk Holmes, Public Works Director/Interim Building Official explained that he reviewed the 3 proposals and made a phone call to John Munker, TerraGraphics Environmental Engineering Inc. He explained that Mr. Munker is contracted through the Brownfields Grant that the City of Ellensburg received. He explained that since the property is within the City limits he questioned Mr. Munker if this would be a qualifying project. Mr. Holmes stated that if the project qualifies and pending what is found it could also qualify for Phase II funding as well as potentially economic development funding. He stated that he is set to talk to Mr. Munker on Thursday December 11, 2014 to discuss in further detail and after that he should be able to provide the Board a definite answer of if this project qualifies and if it does it will not cost the County at all. The Board questioned how long it would take to do the ESA and Mr. Holmes indicated that the grant must be used by March of 2015, so no later than February 2015. The Board thanked Mr. Holmes for looking into this and asked him to work with Mickey Webb, Event Center Director as this will be his project and to report back to the BoCC after he meets with Mr. Munker on Thursday. Mr. Holmes stated that he would also request a title report. The Board asked that Mr. Webb be the lead on this project and asked that Mr. Holmes mentor him through the process.

SPECIAL MEETING

ILA CITY OF ELLENSBURG

COMMISSIONERS

At 3:20 p.m. Chairman Jewell opened a Special Meeting to meet with Staff prior to meeting with the City of Ellensburg to discuss a potential Interlocal Agreement (ILA).

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The Board held a roundtable discussion with County Staff discussing what the County's goal was to achieve by obtaining an ILA with the City of Ellensburg. They discussed what the County was willing and un-willing to do. They discussed revenue sharing, sales tax collection for pre-existing businesses, noting that any new business after the annexation takes place would not fall under the sales tax collection sharing percentages for pre-existing businesses. There was additional discussion on impact mitigation fees and improvements at the County airport (Bowers Field).

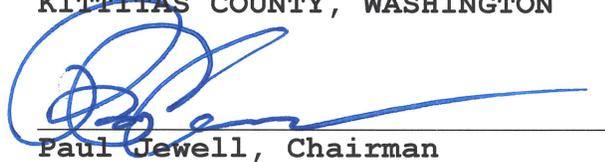
The Board determined that Commissioner Gary Berndt, Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor and Doc Hansen, Planning Official will attend the meeting on Friday December 12, 2014 with the City Council at City Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD


Mandy Buchholz

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Paul Jewell, Chairman