

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

MONDAY

2:00 P.M.

DECEMBER 7, 2015

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

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Brenda Larsen, Fire Marshal; Andrew Drain, Information Technology Interim Director; Nick Henderson, Coroner; Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager; Mickey Webb, Event Center Director; Brett Wachsmith, Treasurer; Robin Read, Public Health Administrator; Angela Bugni, Legal Secretary; Val Barschaw, Clerk; Sarah Keith, Superior Court Administrator; Dianna MacKenzie, Upper County District Court Administrator; Mark Cook, Public Works Director; Michael Stafford, Juvenile Court Administrator; Lisa Young, Human Resource Director; Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager; Gene Dana, Sheriff; Jerry Pettit, Auditor; Clay Myers, Undersheriff; Marsha Weyand, Assessor; Robin Raap, Office Administrator; Public Health Administrator; and Kaitlyn Reddick, Fiscal Analyst.

PUBLIC HEARING

2016 BUDGET

COMMISSIONERS

At 2:00 p.m. **CHAIRMAN BERNDT** opened a Public Hearing to set Property Tax Levy for General Levy (General Fund, Community Services, and Veterans); County Road and County Flood, and to consider adoption of the 2016 Preliminary County Budget.

JUDY PLESS, BUDGET & FINANCE MANAGER went over figures for levying taxes for the General Fund Tax Levy, County Road Fund Levy, and Flood Control Zone Levy. She also reviewed proposed revenues and expenditures for the General Fund.

THERE BEING NO ONE REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.

The Board asked Staff questions and for clarification on figures and indicated how they hoped additional cuts or revenues would come forward over the next couple of days. The Board asked departments to make a commitment to each other to not spend money other than what is absolutely necessary and continue to be frugal. It was noted the proposed budget for 2016 included a 3% wage increase for all non-union employees.

APPROVED
12/16/15

COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN moved to continue to Public Hearing to Friday December 11, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Avenue Ellensburg, WA, noting the record was open. **COMMISSIONER JEWELL** seconded.

Motion carried 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**


Julie Kjorsvik


Gary Berndt, Chairman