# COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON AUDITORIUM/WEBEX SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY 2:00 P.M. MAY 3, 2022

Board members present: Chairman Laura Osiadacz; Vice-Chairman Cory Wright and Commissioner Brett Wachsmith.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mandy Buchholz, Administrative Supervisor; Taylor Crouch, Administrative Assistant; Dan Carlson, CDS Director; Ken Grannan, Airport Director; Josh Frederickson, Engineer; Kady Porterfield, Event Center Director; Clay Myers, Sheriff; Emily Smith, Administrative Assistant; and 6 members of the public.

# PUBLIC HEARING OFFICIAL MEETING TIMES COMMISSIONERS

At 2:00 p.m. **CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** opened a Public Hearing to consider amending Kittitas County Code Chapter 2.04.010, Establishing Official Times and Time of Regular Study Sessions for the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners.

MANDY BUCHHOLZ, ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISOR reviewed a Staff Report and indicated a request had been received from the Event Center Director and the CDS Director wanting to eliminate or move a Study Session. KADY PORTERFIELD, EVENT CENTER DIRECTOR said she would like more consistency and felt it would enable more attendance. DAN CARLSON, CDS DIRECTOR said their department did not need as many meetings during the month with the Board and that one Study Session a month would suffice at this time.

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

ORDINANCE 2022-003 OFFICIAL MEETING TIMES COMMISSIONERS

VICE-CHAIRMAN WRIGHT moved to approve Ordinance No. 2022-003, Amending Kittitas County Code Chapter 2.04 regarding the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners Regularly Scheduled Study Sessions. COMMISSIONER WACHSMITH seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

### PUBLIC HEARING COMMISSION RATES FOR VENDORS EVENT CENTER

At 2:04 p.m. **CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** opened a Public Hearing to consider a Resolution Adopting Amendments to Commission Rates for Vendors at the Kittitas County Fair.

**KADY PORTERFIELD, EVENT CENTER DIRECTOR** said they would like to impose a commission of 25% increase to those who only provide cash payments. The vendors who accept cash and card (credit and/or debit) payments will be charged the standing 20% commission rate. The new rate will encourage vendors to offer more acceptable and preferred forms of payments for a vast number of Fair attendees.

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

RESOLUTION 2022-101 COMMISSION RATES FOR VENDORS EVENT CENTER

**VICE-CHAIRMAN WRIGHT** moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-101, Adopting Amendment to Commission Rates for Vendors at the Kittitas County Fair. **COMMISSIONER WACHSMITH** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

# PUBLIC HEARING SHERIFF LEASE AT AIRPORT AIRPORT

At 2:06 p.m. **CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** opened a Public Hearing to consider approving the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office Lease of Airport Lots C-5 and C-6.

KEN GRANNAN, AIRPORT DIRECTOR reviewed a Staff Report and said the Airport has leased lots C-5 and C-6 to the Kittitas County Public Works Department since 2017, who recently chose to terminate their lease and transfer the fence asset to the Airport Department. The Sheriff's Office has been utilizing this area periodically and it seemed to be a good time to transition into a new Lease with the Sheriff's Office to use as storage space as they begin transitioning to Upper County for their Search & Rescue program.

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

RESOLUTION 2022-102 SHERIFF LEASE AT AIRPORT AIRPORT

**VICE-CHAIRMAN WRIGHT** moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-102, approving a Lease Agreement for property at Bowers Field Airport for Lots C-5 & C-6. **COMMISSIONER WACHSMITH** Motion carried 3-0.

### PUBLIC HEARING RIGHT-OF-WAY STRANDE ROAD PUBLIC WORKS

At 2:08 p.m. **CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** opened a Public Hearing to consider the vacation of County Right-of-Way of a portion of Strande Road from Mile Post 2.66 to the end of the County Road.

JOSH FREDRICKSON, ENGINEER reviewed a Staff Report and recommended continuing the Public Hearing, stating there was some issues the Department of Natural Resources would like to review and he hoped it could get it taken care of within the next week or two. CLAY MYERS,

**SHERIFF MYERS** said their only concerns were to ensure there would be appropriate signage as it's a narrow road, especially for those who are pulling trailers.

THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING: JEFF SLOWTHOWER, ATTORNEY FOR MR. BLAND, said his client recently purchased property where he would like to continue farming. He said Mr. Leach at the DNR thought access to the easement should come from the Department of Natural Resources and questioned the County's Right-of-Way and how it arose. He requested that the Board not make any decisions today and to allow his client to have additional discussions with DNR, as he doesn't want to be land locked.

VICE-CHAIRMAN WRIGHT moved to continue the Public Hearing to Tuesday June 7, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, and to leave the record open. COMMISSIONER WACHSMITH seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

## PUBLIC HEARING RIGHT-OF-WAY HILLVIEW DRIVE PUBLIC WORKS

At 2:23 p.m. **CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** opened a Public Hearing to consider the vacation of a Public Right-of-Way on Hillview Drive.

JOSH FREDRICKSON, ENGINEER reviewed a Staff Report and said their department received a request from a local resident to vacate a portion of Hillview Drive and they find no reason to deny the request. He said the land will become attached to adjoining properties and added to the taxable land mass of the County. He noted Bowers Road now serves as the public travel route which negates the need for Hillview Drive and recommended approval of the request.

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

RESOLUTION 2022-103 RIGHT-OF-WAY HILLVIEW DRIVE PUBLIC WORKS

VICE-CHAIRMAN WRIGHT moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-103, Vacating Hillview Drive within the Davis Plat (Hillview Road). COMMISSIONER WACHSMITH seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

#### PUBLIC HEARING RIGHT-OF-WAY DIVISION 1 TIMBER VALLEY PUBLIC WORKS

At 2:29 p.m. **CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** opened a Public Hearing to consider the partial vacation of a Right-of-Way in Division 1 of Timber Valley Plat.

JOSH FREDRICKSON, ENGINEER reviewed a Staff Report and said they received a request for a road vacation for portions of public rights-of-way within Division 1 of Timber Valley Plat. The Public

Works Department conducted research and found no reason to deny the request. He said once vacated the land will become attached to the applicant and adding to the taxable land mass of the County. He noted the roads were never constructed within the interior right-of-way being vacated.

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

RESOLUTION 2022-104 RIGHT-OF-WAY DIV. 1 TIMBER VALLEY PUBLIC WORKS

**VICE-CHAIRMAN** moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-104, Vacating Portions of Cascade Drive and Fort Simcoe Drive within the Plat of Timber Valley Division 1. **COMMISSIONER WACHSMITH** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

AMEND 2021 FEE SCHEDULE

PUBLIC WORKS

At 2:36 p.m. CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ opened a Public Hearing to consider the 2021 Kittitas County Department of Public Works Fee Schedule.

**JOSH FREDRICKSON, ENGINEER** reviewed proposed changes to the Kittitas County Public Works Permit Fees. He said the amendments would be effective on June 1, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION 2022-105

AMEND 2021 FEE SCHEDULE

PUBLIC WORKS

VICE-CHAIRMAN WRIGHT moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-105, Amending the 2021 Kittitas County Department of Kittitas County Public Works Permit Fees, effective June 1, 2022. COMMISSIONER WACHSMITH seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

Julie Kjorsvik

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Laura Osiadaez, Chairman