

KITTITAS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Paul D. Bennett, P.E., Director

STUDY SESSION MINUTES

May 27, 2003

THOSE PRESENT: Max Golladay, Perry Huston, Bruce Coe, Bob Johnson, Vernon Swesey
Paul Bennett, Kelly Carlson

EMERGENCY ALERT SYSETM (E.A.S.) - Paul presented the BOCC with an update on where this project is at right now. He also informed them that we will be erecting the signs for the EAS project and that they will probably receive calls on these. Vernon did a short presentation of this project and showed the BOCC the actual signage that will go up. Perry stressed that there needed to be a very clear protocol in place for this project prior to implementation. Paul told the BOCC that there have been two open houses to educate the public. Bruce requested information as to who has the authority to declare an emergency & what process is followed after the emergency is declared. Paul will get this info to him.

PAYNE ROAD: Paul stated that the Public Works department is ready to send letters out to landowners, stake out R/W and get the QCD's going to acquire the necessary R/W, and is asking the BOCC's guidance. Max said to pursue that R/W and let the landowners decide how far the road will go. If there are no landowners that want the road then the County will not pursue and discontinue maintenance on Payne Road. Janiece Jump was present and expressed that she is very eager to have this done.

FEDERAL URBAN BOUNDARY: Paul stated that the Federal Urban Boundary delineates the rural boundary from the urban boundary and the funding is also figured that way. Paul suggested making the Federal Urban Boundary as small as possible and accept the City Limits as the Federal Urban Boundary that would include the Airport, but exclude Hungry Jct. Road. Then we would fix the County roads with county dollars until they are annexed into the City. The BOCC suggested putting this on the docket for the Comp. Plan Amendments.

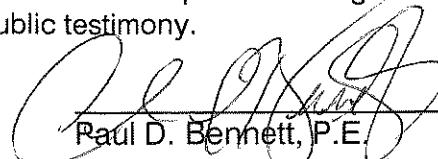
CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Paul wanted to confirm with the BOCC that he was performing his duties as "Airport Manager" and "Public Works Director" as directed by the BOCC. Perry stated that he hasn't established where the "conflict" is and that Paul is looking out for the best interest of the County.

S.R.F.B.: Paul informed the BOCC that this is an opportunity to join with the Yakama Tribe to get funding for Jack Creek & Indian Creek to put in culverts. The BOCC approved Paul to pursue funding with the Yakama Tribe, but urged Paul to watch out for any "strings" attached.

JOHN WAYNE TRAIL CHARTER: The BOCC directed Paul to set a public hearing for the Board to consider this Charter and this would open up for public testimony.

Adjourned at 3:00

APPROVED


Paul D. Bennett, P.E.
Director of Public Works