

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
STUDY SESSION**

**TUESDAY**

**11:00 A.M.**

**MARCH 23, 2004**

Those in attendance: Commissioners Max Golladay, Perry Huston, and Bruce Coe

Others: Shannon Carlson, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Mayor Charles Glondo, City of Cle Elum; Lars Gare, City of Cle Elum; Greg Maris, Upper County Youth Baseball League; Ken Ratcliff, Upper County Youth Baseball League; Gary Fudach, Upper County Youth Baseball League.

**STUDY SESSION**

**UPPER CO YOUTH BASEBALL**

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At 11:00 A.M. a study session was held to request the Boards support for the Upper County Youth Baseball League.

**COMMISSIONER COE** gave the Board an update to how the project is going. He explained that the project was placed on the County's Capital Facilities Plan which would enable the project to seek funding through the real estate excise fund. He asked for more information on the plan and what other types of funding has been secured.

**MR. FUDACH** explained that the baseball committee applied for grant funding through the Interagency Council (IAC) and has placed #9 out of #26 applicants. He explained that the IAC has enough funding for the top 6 projects but if a contractor opts out then the committee has a chance for funding. Mr. Fudach explained that if the committee could get a letter of support from the Board it would assist in the efforts to obtain funding.

**MR. RATCLIFF** reviewed what improvements have been made to the site. Last year the committee received a grant that allowed them to purchase a sprinkler system. Besides financial support the committee has also received some in-kind donations and volunteer work from community members. Mr. Ratcliff explained that if funding was secured, the fields would be ready to play on in 2005.

**COMMISSIONER HUSTON** explained that the County could parallel the joint Resolution that they did with the City of Ellensburg project for the City of Cle Elum. The resolution would include that all residents of

Kittitas County would receive the same benefit from the fields regardless if they lived in the City limits or in the County. The County would match the IAC grant in the amount of \$91,350.00 to be dedicated to infrastructure. Commissioner Huston explained that the County is not in the business to maintain parks but they would fund them. The maintaining and facilitating of the park is the responsibility of the City.

**COMMISSIONER HUSTON** suggested that Commissioner Coe put together a joint resolution using the City of Ellensburg as an example, and to set a special meeting for Tuesday, March 30, 2004 at 11:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium for consideration.

At 11:40 A.M., the Study Session was adjourned.

**DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD**

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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**Shannon L. Carlson**

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**Perry D. Huston, Chair**