

**COMMISSIONERS MINUTES  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
SPECIAL MEETING  
KITITAS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS/EVENT CENTER  
HOME ARTS BUILDING**

**THURSDAY**

**6:00 P.M.**

**JUNE 14, 2007**

Board members present: Chairman Alan Crankovich, Vice-Chairman David Bowen; Commissioner Mark McClain.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Joanna Valencia, CDS Staff Planner; Darryl Piercy, Director of Community Development Services; Scott Turnbull, CDS Staff Planner and approximately 6 members of the public.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**DEVELOPMENT CODE**

**CDS**

At approximately 6:00 p.m. **CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** opened the continued public hearing from June 13, 2007 to consider the Planning Commissions recommendations on the Kittitas County Development Code for Title 17B Forest Practices, Title 15A Permit Application Process, Title 14.08 Flood Damage Prevention, and Proposed Chapter 17.99 Design Standards.

**DARRYL PIERCY, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** noted the Board of County Commissioners had been provided with copies of written comments that were submitted up until today's date at 5:00 p.m. at the Community Development Services Department. **SCOTT TURNBULL, CDS STAFF PLANNER** reviewed the Planning Commissions recommendations for Chapter 17B Forest Practices.

**THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING ON FOREST PRACTICES: CATHERINE CLERF** was supportive of the Forest Practices language to preserve timber in the County. **THERE BEING NO OTHERS REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE ORAL TESTIMONY WAS CLOSED ON THE ISSUE.**

**SCOTT TURNBULL, CDS STAFF PLANNER** reviewed the proposed changes to Title 15A Project Permit Application Process from the Planning Commission.

**THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING: LILA HANSON** appreciated the additional public notification to impacted property. She felt applications should be included in all newspapers of the County. **JAMES BOYLE REPRESENTING THE KITITAS COUNTY CONSERVATION COALITION** expressed support of the proposed language of Title 15A for the Project Permit Application Process, claiming it was clear and concise. He asked the Board to consider holding public hearings in Upper County, if it affects the area. **CATHERINE CLERF** supported the proposed language and agreed that the Board should hold hearings in the Upper County. **PAULA THOMPSON REPRESENTING THE KITITAS COUNTY CONSERVATION COALITION** felt there should be a disclosure of both individual owners and responsible officials listed on the project applications. **THERE BEING NO OTHERS REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE ORAL TESTIMONY WAS CLOSED ON THE ISSUE.**

**DARRYL PIERCY, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** reviewed a proposed new Chapter 17.99 Design Standards. **JOANNA VALENCIA, CDS STAFF PLANNER** explained the Design Standards and Guidelines for single-family, multi-family, commercial and industrial developments in Kittitas County located within the Urban Growth Areas.

**THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING: LILA HANSON** questioned why the Planning Commission did not make a recommendation. She was concerned that the proposed language would be a kind of issue that could escalate in the future into other areas outside the Urban Growth Areas. **JAMES BOYLE REPRESENTING HIMSELF** felt the design standards would be more suited for the City of Ellensburg and their new developments and does not reflect the County as a whole. He did not feel a need for the language. **CATHERINE CLERF** said she understands the intent, but did not feel the design standards were appropriate and noted the areas which are rural become urbanized are on a faster track. She felt the language is more suitable for the City of Ellensburg. **DAVE WITWILL REPRESENTING THE CENTRAL WASHINGTON HOMEBUILDERS ASSOCIATION** felt the public at large has not opportunity to give a thorough review of the design standards and urged the Board to remand it back to the Planning Commission for a additional review and hearings. **PAULA THOMPSON REPRESENTING THE KITTITAS COUNTY CONSERVATION COALITION** felt this portion should be reviewed further by the public. **THERE BEING NO OTHERS REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE ORAL TESTIMONY ON THE ISSUE WAS CLOSED.**

**SCOTT TURNBULL, CDS STAFF PLANNER** reviewed the Planning Commissions recommendations Title 14.08 Flood Damage Prevention.

**THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING: CATHERINE CLERF** was in favor of the proposed changes and felt those would bring the County into compliance with RCW's. **URBAN EBERHART REPRESENTING THE KITTITAS COUNTY FARM BUREAU AND THE KITTITAS RECLAMATION DISTRICT** expressed concerns with not allowing measurements to be taken and structures relating to diversions in irrigation water when they need to be worked on. **PAULA THOMPSON REPRESENTING HERSELF** felt the agriculture definition should be looked at and did not feel structures should be limited. **LILA HANSON** expressed concerns with the definition of agriculture used relating to structures asked that it be reviewed by the Agriculture Committee. **THERE BEING NO OTHERS REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE ORAL TESTIMONY ON THE ISSUE WAS CLOSED.**

**CHAIRMAN CARNKOVICH** noted the written comment deadline for the public hearing was on Monday June 18, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

**CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** moved to continue the hearing to Wednesday June 27, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. at the Kittitas County Fairgrounds, Teanaway Hall, for Board deliberations. **COMMISSIONER MCCLAIN** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

**KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**ATTEST:**

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**Julie A. Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board**

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**Alan Crankovich, Chairman**

**EXHIBITS  
JUNE 14, 2007  
DEVELOPMENT CODE PUBLIC HEARING**

<b>Exhibit #</b>	<b>Document</b>	<b>Submitted by</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	Exhibits submitted from the June 13, 2007 Development Code	Joanna Valencia	6/14/07
2	Email from Charles M. (Chuck) Hawkins	Joanna Valencia	6/14/07
3	Email from Linda and Charles Schantz	Joanna Valencia	6/14/07
4	Map submitted by Lila Hanson	Lila Hanson	6/14/07
5	Letter from Chester Morrison	Chester Morrison	6/14/07
6	Sign In Sheet from 6/14/07 Public Hearing	JulieKjorsvik	6/14/07