

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

TUESDAY

4:00 P.M.

AUGUST 7, 2007

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

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Neil Caulkins, Civil Deputy Prosecutor; Kelly Carlson, Airport Manager; Brandon Drexler, Public Works Director and 4 members of the public.

PUBLIC HEARING

2006 INTERNATIONAL COUNTY CODE

CDS

At approximately 4:00 p.m. **CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** opened a public hearing to consider amendments to Ordinance No. 2007-19, which was adopted in the 2006 International Codes, which proposes updated language to Kittitas County Code Chapter 14.04 to reflect consistency with the 2006 International Codes.

DARRYL PIERCY, DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES explained the Board of County Commissioners previously held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance 2007-19 adopting the 2006 International Codes. He said Ordinance 2007-19 needs to be amended to reflect consistency between the 2006 International Codes and Kittitas County Code Chapter 14.04. Upon further review of the other subsections in Chapter 14, it had been determined there needs to be updated language throughout the entire Chapter in order to reflect the consistency with all of the adopted 2006 International Codes. He asked the Board to close the public hearing and to set a new public hearing which would allow for the appropriate amendments to the entire Chapter 14 for consistency.

COMMISSIONER BOWEN moved to set a public hearing for Thursday September 6, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Ellensburg, Washington and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice. **COMMISSIONER MCCLAIN** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

NO PARKING - RINGER LOOP ROAD

CDS

At approximately 4:07 p.m. **CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** opened a public hearing to consider the placement of "No Parking" signs on Ringer Loop Road and to Amend Chapter 10.07.010 of the Kittitas County Code.

BRANDON DREXLER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS reviewed a staff report stating the Kittitas County Sheriff's department requested that the County Code Chapter 10.07.010 "No Parking" areas be amended and to add a "No Parking" zone on Ringer Loop road. He said recreational users accessing the Yakima River are parking on the shoulders of Ringer Loop to avoid paying a fee in the Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife parking lot at Mile Post 0.82. He noted access stewardship decals are required for vehicles parking in this lot and a \$66.00 fine is issued for vehicles without those decals.

THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING: DARLING BAYKIEW said she owns the RV park located off of Ringer Loop and felt if the Board were to approve the "No Parking" zones it would create additional parking issues in front of her place which would possibly block their entrance. She felt the parking issues are more with the Department of Fish & Wildlife and thought they should create more parking areas for people and maybe install a parking dispenser to purchase tickets. She questioned where the fees go to from the Department of Fish & Wildlife. **DARIN CLARK** said he had received tickets from parking in that area when his company had their annual river float. He felt if citations are given there should be no parking signs properly installed. He asked if the County intended on approving "no parking" because of access, if they could limit it to one side or the other. He submitted photos into the record of Ringer Loop Road. **BRAD CASE, CITY OF ELLENSBURG PARKS & RECREATION** said the City is currently working on a Master Plan and they are still in the planning process. They are looking at having an off leash dog park in the area and the issue should be in front of the City Council at their next meeting. He asked if the Board would be willing to look at other creative alternatives and asked if he could meet with the Public Works Department to seek alternatives.

MR. DREXLER said the Sheriff's department has indicated people are parking on both sides of the road and that's why it is creating problems.

COMMISSIONER BOWEN said he is in favor of government providing access to public lands and asked if it would be possible to limit parking to one side or the other. **MR. DREXLER** said he would need to take another look at the area because they need to look at safety as their number one priority.

COMMISSIONER CRANKOVICH said the County needs to look at their liability. He said shoulders of the road become broken down because of parking on them which also creates more damage to the road itself. He said as far as the RV park is concerned, it is private property and they should be able to post signs so their access is not blocked by cars. He said he would be willing to consider

options after talking with representatives from the Department of Fish & Wildlife. Reference to what it may do to access the RV park, it is private property and Ms. Baykiew could post the driveway is not a turnaround.

COMMISSIONER McCLAIN was concerned that if there is no parking available on Ringer Loop Road, vehicles would begin parking on Canyon Road which could create additional problems. He was in favor of allowing for additional discussions and review with the City of Ellensburg and the Department of Fish & Wildlife. **COMMISSIONER BOWEN** said he would be in favor of looking at other options and to see if the County can work with City and possibly enter into an Interlocal Agreement with them and the Department of Fish & Wildlife. He said they could also look into grant opportunities for widening the shoulder to address safety and liability issues.

COMMISSIONER BOWEN moved to install "No Parking" signs on the north section of Ringer Loop Road from Mile Post 0.82 through Mile Post 1.15 and to install "No Parking" signs on the east side of Ringer Loop Road from Mile Post 0.82 to Mile Post 0.0. **COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH moved to continue the public hearing to consider enabling documents to Tuesday August 21, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse. **COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

LEASE AT COUNTY AIRPORT

PUBLIC WORKS

At approximately 4:40 p.m. **CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** opened a public hearing to consider leasing approximately 78.97 acres more or less of County property located in the East ½ of Section 23, Township 18 North, Range 18 East, W.M. within the Kittitas County Airport.

KELLY CARLSON, AIRPORT MANAGER reviewed a proposed lease for the Ellensburg Trap & Skeet Club at their new location which includes strict contingencies relating to the hazardous elimination. She said she had received a phone call from Attorney Steve Lathrop representing the Trap & Skeet Club asking to allow for additional time of review the lease.

COMMISSIONER CRANKOVICH moved to continue the public hearing to Thursday September 6, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse, to consider lease with Trap & Skeet Club. **COMMISSIONER BOWEN** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

At approximately 4:44 p.m. **CHAIRMAN CRANKOVICH** opened a public hearing to consider adopting a supplemental airport fund budget for 2008.

BRANDON DREXLER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS reviewed a staff report and said the Public Works Department opened bids for the 2007 Apron-Taxilane reconstruction and rehabilitation project on July 5, 2007 and two bids were received. The apparent low bid came in above the amount budgeted in the airport fund. He said currently the airport fund reflects \$787,000.00 for the project and an amendment is needed to increase the project budget amount to \$1,194,138.00. The difference in the amounts will be made up in Federal Aviation Administration funding (95% - \$1,134,431); WSDOT Aviation funding (2.5% - \$29,852).

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

RESOLUTION 2007-97 SUPPLEMENTAL AIRPORT FUND BUDGET PUBLIC WORKS

COMMISSIONER BOWEN moved to approve Resolution No. 2007-97, adopting a supplemental airport fund for 2007 in the amount of \$1,746,546.00. **COMMISSIONER McCLAIN** seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Julie A. Kjorsvik

Alan Crankovich, Chairman