

KITTITAS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

STUDY SESSION MINUTES November 22, 2010

THOSE PRESENT:

Alan Crankovich, Paul Jewell (BOCC), Kirk Holmes, Doug D'Hondt, Maria Fischer (PW) James Rivard, (PH), Lisa Lawrence (Solid Waste)

GUESTS PRESENT:

Catherine Clerf

FLOOD TASK FORCE UPDATE:

Kirk reported on the November 17th all-member briefing held at the County Fairgrounds; 32 people from all different entities in attendance. They have been building a plan outline for the County-wide Flood Mitigation Plan, and trying to identify projects. Elk Meadows and the Lower Teanaway River Reach have been identified as two areas of repetitive high flood loss. WSDOT is currently doing work in several of these areas, which helps the County. These projects will be eligible for mitigation funding in the future. The group has been meeting monthly and is putting together a presentation for the BOCC for early 2011. Kirk emphasized that they are using information that is already available to update the flood plan, thus saving the County money. A funding plan will have to be put together for the projects. Discussion followed on FEMA mapping that is currently on-going, and on County GIS work. Alan asked if the large log jams in the rivers had been discussed. Kirk stated that these are mentioned in the All-Hazards Plan.

Board Direction:

No Direction.

COUNTY-WIDE ALL HAZARDS PLAN UPDATE:

Kirk reported that the Steering Committee will meet on November 23rd. There are currently 34 partners in the All Hazards Planning effort. The goal is to achieve compliance with the disaster mitigation plan of 2000, so that each member can be eligible for Hazard Mitigation dollars. The goal is a working plan with shovel-ready projects identified to submit for funding. The School Districts have been successfully recruited to join the effort, and all agencies are creating "Critical Facilities" lists. Earthquakes and flooding are part of the project. Kirk stated that the response to the survey that was sent out has been very good, and he gave kudos to the Sheriff's Department for

their encouragement. Christina Wollman of Public Works will soon be a HAZUS Certified individual and a Floodplain Manager. Discussion followed on Critical Areas work.

Board Direction:

No Direction.

SUNCADIA UPDATE:

Doug passed out his estimates for the completion of Jenkins Drive, and explained how he came to the \$5 million total. The original estimate was low. Doug recommended not lowering the value of the existing letter of credit. Doug stated that his estimate is based on a physical inspection of the site, and he is confident with his numbers. Alan asked if the other development proposal in the same area has any bearing on the Letter of Credit, and Doug stated that this development was not considered as contributing. The BOCC thanked Doug. Kirk added that he has no other updates from Suncadia, but that he feels that they are no closer to re-capitalization now than they were 30 days ago. Public Works expects an additional 30 day extension request from Suncadia the week of November 29th.

Board Direction:

No Direction.

**FHWA-N. FORK TEANAWAY
ROAD – REQUEST FOR BOARD
SIGNATURE:**

Doug passed out copies of the document he needs signed by the Board: a re-imbursement request for survey work done on the N. Fork Teanaway Road. Stephanie Happold has reviewed this re-imbursement request.

Board Direction:

Approved for Signature. Bring to next Agenda for ratification.

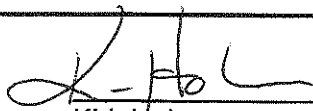
**SOLID WASTE ITEM;
REQUEST FOR APPROVAL
TO ADVERTISE A NOTICE OF
APPLICATION FOR COVERAGE
UNDER THE GENERAL
PERMIT FOR BIOSOLIDS
MANAGEMENT:**

Lisa presented the item and the Board approved signature.

Board Direction:

Approved for signature.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:13 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K-Holmes', is written over a horizontal line.

Kirk Holmes
Public Works Director