COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON COMMISSIONER'S CONFERENCE ROOM SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY 3:30 P.M.

DECEMBER 10, 2019

Board members present: Chairman Cory Wright; Vice-Chairman Brett Wachsmith and Commissioner Laura Osiadacz.

Others: Taylor Crouch, Deputy Clerk of the Board I. Via conference call: Mark Lindbaugh, Heidi Schott, and Kristy Moore of The Ferguson Group.

SPECIAL MEETING

THE FERGUSON GROUP

COMMISSIONERS

At 3:30 p.m. Chairman Wright opened a Special Meeting to obtain information from The Ferguson Group on the Federal Funding process for I-90 projects.

Mr. Linbaugh, Ms. Schott and Ms. Moore representing The Ferguson Group provided background information and their involvement with assisting agencies with securing Federal loans and grants for projects. They specialize in rural areas and counties and have extensive knowledge of Congress and Administration to help achieve success. The steps they follow to assist obtaining Grants include Identifying Local Priorities; Opportunity Analysis; Strategically Position Projects; Grant Writing and Organizing Political Support. Ms. Moore explained how there were many grants available for projects through "Infragrants".

The Board discussed the I-90 expansion project for a $3^{\rm rd}$ lane within Kittitas County and the work that's already been done by different resources. The main concern was procuring the funding for this project without using State funds.

The Board thanked everyone for their input and said they would reach out to Mr. Linbaugh at The Ferguson Group for them to present a proposal to the Board at a later date.

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The meeting was adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD I

Taylor Crouch

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Cory Wright, Chairman

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