COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON CONFERENCE ROOM/WEBEX SPECIAL MEETING

THURSDAY

9:00 A.M

DECEMBER 16, 2021

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith, Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz & Commissioner Cory Wright.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Carly Brettmann, Communications Director; Bill Clarke, County Lobbyist; and 1 member of the public.

SPECIAL MEETING

BILL CLARKE/LEGISLATIVE UPDATE COMMISSIONERS

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith opened a Special Meeting to meet with Bill Clarke and receive legislative updates.

Bill Clarke reviewed the 2022 legislative priorities and policy issues for 2022. He said the Legislature will have a short session beginning on January 10th and the budget will be unique. He provided information on fish barrier removal, broadband access, capital investments, preservation and maintenance of county roads and bridges, GMA, water, climate change, forest maintenance, solid waste, unfunded mandates, public health, behavioral health, access to judicial equity, responding to the Blake decision, affordable housing, pandemic resiliency, fire, and the OPMA/PRA. He also reviewed information on electronic bidding.

The Board also discussed Cle Elum Ridge, Springwood Ranch, and asked for a list of legislative priorities to be brought forth at a later date for their consideration.

OTHER BUSINESS

Vice-Chairman Osiadacz asked Staff to invite Sheriff Myers and Darren Higashiyama, Chief Deputy, to the next Office Administration meeting, to obtain an update on the Elk Meadows Bridge and to see if there's any anticipated restoration for access to properties in the area.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

Julie Kjorsvik

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Brett Wachsmith, Chairman

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