COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON CONFERENCE ROOM SPECIAL MEETING

FRIDAY

1:00 P.M.

FEBRUARY 17, 2023

Board members present: Chairman Corv Wright; Vice-Chairman Brett Wachsmith; and Commissioner Laura Osiadacz (via Webex).

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board and Joe Poire, JRP Integrated Solutions.

SPECIAL MEETING

BROADBAND

COMMISSIONERS

At 1:00 p.m. Chairman Wright opened a Special Meeting for a Broadband update.

Joe Poire, JRP Integrated Solutions, provided an update on the Washington State Broadband Office Rd II Infrastructure Accelerator Grant application. He indicated that next week they should be hearing about the grant awards. He noted the matching funds have gone up from 10% to 25%. If the state does not provide a match for the cities/counties, it could be very difficult for those entities to be able to obtain the funding. They are continuing to work on the policy behind it and both him and Chairman Wright have had conversations with local legislators. Due to it being Federal dollars, a single audit will be performed as well for those who obtain funding. Chairman Wright provided an update on the current discussions and said Neil Caulkins, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor, and Mark Cook, Public Works Director, will be included moving forward

Commissioner Osiadacz said she wanted to ensure it's open to all service providers. Mr. Poire and Chairman Wright assured her it would be. The Board agreed to meet with Mr. Poire on an as needed basis, and not on a set schedule.

LETTER

I-90 SNOQUALMIE EAST CONSTRUCTION COMMISSIONERS

Vice-Chairman Wachsmith moved to approve a letter to Members of the House Transportation Committee, in support of the I-90 Snoqualmie East construction project. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The meeting was concluded at 1:33 p.m.



CLERK OF THE BOARD

Julie Kjorsvik

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Cory Wright, Chairman