COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON CONFERENCE ROOM SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY 10:00 A.M.

AUGUST 7, 2023

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

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mark Cook, Public Works/CDS Director; and Joe Poire, JRP Integrated Solutions.

SPECIAL MEETING

BROADBAND UPDATE

COMMISSIONERS

Chairman Wright opened a Special Meeting to receive a Broadband update from Joe Poire, JRP Integrated Solutions.

Joe Poire, JRP Integrated Solutions, provided an update to the Board of County Commissioners on the PWB Thorp/Edgemont Contract award. Mark Cook, Public Works/CDS Director, would be negotiating the Contract with Consolidated and it will be submitted at a future Agenda for Board consideration. Doug Fessler, IT Director and Patti Stacey, Facilities & Waste Operations Director, both reviewed the applications and suggested having better questions with more specific information to assist them in scoring. Mr. Poire said it was subjective and would ask to keep the same people judging in the future for consistency.

Joe Poire, JRP Integrated Solutions, reviewed the next steps for the Kittitas County BEAD preparation. He said the Digital Equity project was finished and that was approximately 30% of the BEAD money. He reviewed challenges and said Spokane County was actually the largest County in Washington who have the most underserved households. The BAT team will be setting up a plan to hold an Open House. The Board thanked Mr. Poire for his update.

The meeting was concluded at 10:38 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

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Cory Wright, Chairman