COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
AGENDA SESSION

TUESDAY 3:00 P.M. NOVEMBER 18, 2003

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Golladay called the meeting to order.

Board members present: Chairman Max Golladay, Vice-Chairman Perry D. Huston, & Commissioner Bruce Coe.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; David Taylor, Community Development Services Director; Allison Kimball, Community Development Services Department; Paul Bennett, Public Works Director; Kelly Carlson, Public Works Administrative Assistant; Iris Rominger, Assessor; Bruce Tabb, Developmental Disabilities Program Coordinator; Skip Mynar, Substance Abuse Program Coordinator; Warren Beed, Facilities Maintenance Director; Clay Meyers, Sheriff’s Department; Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager, and approximately 25 members of the public.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES – NONE

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS – Resolution Regarding Ellensburg High School Dance/Drill Team – Recent Visit to Sanda City, Japan: To be on December 2, 2003 Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the Consent Agenda were distributed to the Board of County Commissioners in advance for study and were enacted by one motion with separate discussion to the extent any items were removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of a Board member.

Commissioner Huston moved to amend the Consent Agenda, removing Item F, at the request of the Auditor’s office and to move Items M, N, and O to Board Discussion and Decision. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Huston moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.
MINUTES

10-21-03 Public Hearing 2003 Budget Amendment (Sheriff)
10-27-03 Study Session BOCC/Public Works Department
10-28-03 Appeal Hearing Chepoda/Johnson
11-03-03 Study Session BOCC/Department Heads
11-10-03 Study Session BOCC/Department Heads

✓ RESOLUTION 2003-135 CANCEL CLAIMS WARRANT #136674 AUDITOR

Approve Resolution No. 2003-135, Canceling Claims Fund Warrant #136674, issued to Olympic Credit Service, in the amount of $140.35.

✓ RESOLUTION 2003-136 CANCEL & REISSUE WARRANT #136615 AUDITOR

Approve Resolution No. 2003-136, issued on September 30, 2003, to Northern Kittitas County Tribune, in the amount of $294.00.

✓ RESOLUTION 2003-137 CANCEL & REISSUE WARRANT #136579 AUDITOR


✓ INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS JR. TAXING DISTRICTS 3, 4, 51 & 7 AUDITOR

Approve Interlocal Agreements with the Junior Taxing Districts including Fire #3, Fire #4, Fire #51 and Fire #7, regarding the Kittitas County Auditor, as Auditing Agent.

REQUEST TO APPROVE LEVY CERTIFICATION - ITEM REMOVED AT THE REQUEST OF THE AUDITORS OFFICE

✓ SET PUBLIC HEARING OPEN SPACE LAND/CURRENT TAX ASSESSMENT COMMISSIONERS

Approve setting a public hearing to consider Open Space Land for Current Use Tax Assessment under the Open Space Taxation Act, for James Kieburtz; Marc Kirkpatrick; Scott and Kimberly Lindley; Dave Caple and Karen Bruhn; Michael and Kathy Rust; Henry Clark and Kari Chellis; David and Barbara Mahoney; Mike and Carol Evonick; to be held Tuesday December 16, 2003 at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioner’s Auditorium, Room 109, County Courthouse, and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

✓ AGREEMENT 2003-2004 WINTER RECREATION PROGRAM SHERIFF

Approve Agreement No. WR-2003/04-25, between the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission and the Kittitas County Sheriff’s Department, for the 2003-2004 Winter Recreation Program, in the amount of $11,000.
RESOLUTION 2003-138  SET HEARING - SUNSET HIGHWAY  PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2003-138, to Declare the County\’s Intention to Vacate the Abandoned Portions of Sunset Highway near Bullfrog Road, and to set a public hearing to be held on Tuesday December 16, 2003, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioner\’s Auditorium, Room 109, County Courthouse, Ellensburg, and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

AGREEMENT  SNOW REMOVAL - REECER CREEK & KACHESS LAKE RD.  PUBLIC WORKS

Approve an Agreement between the Washington State Parks and Recreation and Kittitas County Public Works department, for snow removal on Reecer Creek and Kachess Lake Roads, for the period ending April 30, 2004.

GRANT  US FOREST SERVICE - FIREWISE  CDS

Acknowledge Grant #WNFP-02-007, extending Kittitas Firewise 2002-1 project, from September 24, 2003 to December 31, 2004.

SET PUBLIC HEARING  CDBG PUBLIC SERVICE FUNDS  COMMISSIONERS

Approve to set a public hearing to consider availability of funds and eligible uses of the state Community Development Block Grant, and proposed activities, particularly from low-and-moderate income persons and persons residing in Kittitas County, to be held on Tuesday December 2, 2003 at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioner\’s Auditorium, Room 109, County Courthouse, Ellensburg, and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

ITEMS M, N & O - PLACED UNDER BOARD DISCUSSION & DECISION

CORRESPONDENCE

LETTER  PHIL MENDEHALL - BID ON CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT  PUBLIC WORKS

Chairman Golladay recognized a letter from Mr. Phil Mendenhall, requesting that the County award him as the high bidder for a 1993 Kochring Excavator and a 1990 Badger 666 Excavator, from the County/City Surplus Sale held on June 28, 2003.

Mr. Mendenhall explained his situation and felt he should be awarded the bid for the two excavators, in the amount of $5,000. He said he was not aware of a minimum bid being set by the County, and the auctioneer did not mention it during the auction.

Paul Bennett, Public Works Director submitted a letter to Mr. Mendenhall, into the record explaining the minimum bid that had been set
by the County. He also noted Resolution No. 2003-69, to Surplus County Property, noting the two excavator's having a minimum price of $25,000.00 each. The Resolution noted that if a minimum price was not met, they would be retained by the County and sold at a later date. He said the equipment is scheduled to be auctioned off by Ritchie Brothers in Olympia on December 2nd and 3rd.

Commissioner Huston moved to affirm the decision of the Board of County Commissioners, as reflected in Resolution No. 2003-69, including a 1993 Kochring Excavator - minimum bid of $25,000.00 and 1990 Badger 666 Excavator - minimum bid of $25,000.00. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LETTER

HIPAA AMENDMENTS

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Coe moved to direct Commissioner Huston to prepare a letter for the Chairman's signature, relating to the proposed HIPAA amendments, explaining concerns of unclear regulations, to be placed on the December 2, 2003 Agenda. Commissioner Huston seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LETTER

HUCKELL/WEINMAN ASSOCIATED, INC.

CDS

Commissioner Huston moved to approve and authorize the Chair to sign a letter to Chris Lawson, Huckell/Weinman Associates, Inc., authorizing the additional scope of services as indicated in the "Desert Claim Estimated Phase II/Draft EIS Budget", not to exceed $433,700.00. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

CLAIM

ANTHONY M. SALVATORE

PROSECUTOR

Commissioner Huston moved to approve a payment in the amount up to $2,500.00 from the County Drug Fund, for Mr. Anthony M. Salvatore's attorney fees, as Ordered by Judge Darryl Ellis, to be paid no later than January 15, 2004. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

AFSCME LOCAL 792-CH

HUMAN RESOURCES

Commissioner Huston moved to approve a Letter of Understanding, between Kittitas County and the Washington State Council of County and City Employees, AFSCME Local 792-CH, for purposes of altering the workweek basis for one of the two "Records Deputy II" positions authorized within the County Auditor's Office. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Suellen White, Easton School District Superintendent, submitted a letter into the record dated November 18, 2003. She expressed her concerns of
the possibility of losing Sheriff’s deputies in the 2004 budget. She felt if coverage were reduced in the upper county, it would have a major impact on their safety and security.

**BUDGET**

Commissioner Huston moved to approve payment in the amount of $26,070.00, to come from the Distressed Counties Fund #108, as recommended by the Budget & Finance Manager. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**LETTER**

Bruce Tabb, Chair of the Kittitas County Coordinated Transportation Council, requested to re-activate the Public Transit Benefit Area Board for Kittitas County, and once designated, consider putting before the voters of Kittitas County an authorizing proposition, which would create funding to meet the needs of those with specials needs.

Commissioner Huston moved to agenda the item for December 2, 2003, and to direct Bruce Tabb to work with staff in creating a notice, in addition to giving notice to the Municipalities. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**AGREEMENT**

Commissioner Huston moved to approve funding in the amount of $19,900.00 for the Upper County Senior Center for the fiscal year 2003-2004. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**MOTION**

Commissioner Huston moved to approve and authorize payment, over a three-year period, and to authorize staff to prepare the appropriate documents for the Board’s consideration on December 2, 2003. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**RESOLUTION**

Skip Mynar, Division of Alcohol & Substance Abuse County Coordinator, presented the Board with a draft Resolution, Protesting the Usurpation of Local Authority by the State of Washington, Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse.

Commissioner Huston moved to postpone consideration of the Resolution until the December 2, 2003, Commissioner Agenda, and to direct the Substance Abuse Program Coordinator to draft a letter for the Chair’s signature to the State of Washington, Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse.
Abuse, outlining concerns. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT CITY OF ELLensburg-COURT SERVICES PROSECUTOR

Commissioner Huston moved to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Kittitas County and the City of Ellensburg for Court Related Services, for Lower District Court, for the period to December 31, 2004. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION 2003-133 6-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN PUBLIC WORKS

At 4:14 p.m. Chairman Golladay opened the public hearing continued from November 10, 2003, for the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program and the Annual Construction Program. Paul Bennett, Public Works Director, submitted an updated list of items for the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program and the Annual Construction Program.

Commissioner Coe moved to approve Resolution No. 2003-133, Adopting a Six-Year Transportation Improvement Plan for the years 2004-2009. Commissioner Huston seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION 2003-134 ANNUAL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner Huston moved to approve Resolution No. 2003-134, the Annual Construction Program for the 2004 Annual Road Construction Program. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LEASE AIRPORT LEASE ADDENDUM/McCullough PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner Huston moved to approve an Addendum to a Lease Agreement between Kittitas County and Gerald & Barbara McCullough, for property located at the Kittitas County Airport, from November 1, 2003 through October 31, 2008. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LEASE AIRPORT LEASE ADDENDUM/Pace PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner Huston moved to approve an Addendum to a Lease Agreement between Kittitas County and William R. Pace III, for property located at the Kittitas County Airport, from November 1, 2003 through October 31, 2008. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

LEASE AIRPORT LEASE ADDENDUM/Midstate AVIATION PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner Huston moved to approve an Addendum to a Lease Agreement between Kittitas County and Midstate Aviation, Inc., for property

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Located at the Kittitas County Airport, from November 1, 2003 through October 31, 2008. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

MOTION

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Commissioner Huston moved to postpone consideration of the Program Agreement between the State of Washington/Division of Developmental Disabilities & Kittitas County; Kittitas County Developmental Disabilities Biennial Plan 2003-2005; Contract Statement for Developmental Disabilities Services between Kittitas County and Elmview, until December 2, 2003, at 3:00 p.m. during the Commissioner's Agenda Session. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

VOUCHERS:

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ADJOURN

Commissioner Huston moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 p.m. Commissioner Coe seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjourned 4:45 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Julie A. Kjorsvik

Max A. Golladay, Chairman

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