STUDY SESSION MINUTES
October 31, 2005

THOSE PRESENT: Perry Huston, David Bowen, Al Crankovich, Scott Bradshaw (DPW), John Nixon (DPW), Joy Potter (DPW), Kelly Carlson (DPW).

GUESTS PRESENT: Pat Deneen, Chad Bala, Carol Ready (KCCD), Jay Anderson

GLADMAR PARK: Director Bradshaw stated that the Director of the Kittitas County Conservation District presented a document that is stating CWU’s interest in managing Gladmar Park for a field based research and educational activity location. They presented three different options for this park, two being slightly restrictive and one being highly restrictive. Director Bradshaw would like direction from the BOCC on the next step on this.

Joy Potter asked for direction on Wade Road since it had been decided that it is not county property and we were to take it off our road system. Commissioner Huston directed staff to talk with the Prosecutors office to get direction.

BOARD DIRECTION: Commissioner Huston stated that he is in no hurry to rush this through, and directed staff to look at this during budget time. He stated we will need to look at getting this property transferred into the General Fund and then figure out how to deal with it. Commission Huston directed Director Bradshaw to send a letter to CWU acknowledging their request.

IRRIGATION FRANCHISE MANASTASH ROAD: Director Bradshaw stated that Sid Snowden had approached the County in partnering on an irrigation project. John Nixon stated that he had met with Mr. Snowden on site and presented a photo that showed exactly what the project would entail. Mr. Nixon stated that Mr. Snowden does not own all of the property that he is proposing pipe be placed, nor is he proposing that the pipe/water be placed out of the
right of way. This was a concern of Mr. Nixon since this was the basis for the County participating in previous projects like this one.

**BOARD DIRECTION:** Commissioner Huston directed staff to stick with history and that the county will only partner if water is removed from the right of way.

**KCCD IRRIGATION FRANCHISE:** Carol Ready from the Kittitas County Conservation District was present to discuss a proposed franchise on Barnes Road. Two property owners would need to sign this franchise and are concerned of the maintenance of the pipe should the county reconstruct Barnes Road. Jay Anderson stated that he would like an exemption from this franchise due to that fact. Commissioner Huston stated that he is not prepared to go away from a franchise agreement, but if the County does reconstruct/realign Barnes Road he would entertain the County relocating this irrigation pipe for the farmers.

**BOARD DIRECTION:** Commissioner Huston directed staff to craft the franchise to address this issue.

**FOWLER CREEK ROAD:** John Nixon stated that he had met with Pat Deneen onsite at Fowler Creek Road to discuss possible improvements. He stated that this road is slated to be hard surfaced in the spring of 2006. Mr. Deneen proposed and improved alignment that would take out a steep bank and curve and would like this considered prior to the design this winter. Director Bradshaw stated his concern that there is no show of favoritism toward Mr. Deneen.

**BOARD DIRECTION:** Commissioner Huston directed staff to design the road to standards, and quantify the public benefit. Commissioner Huston asked that Mr. Deneen which landowners are willing participants in this project.

**BOARDS CONCERNS/ISSUES:**

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Scott W. Bradshaw, P.E.
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