Board members present: Chairman David Bowen; Vice-Chairman Alan Crankovich; Commissioner Perry Huston.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Tom Swenson, Director of Facilities Maintenance and Mr. Robert Wardell, Architect from Wardell Architects in Yakima.

At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Bowen opened a special meeting to hear a presentation from Wardell Architects on the possible remodel of the exterior of the Kittitas County Courthouse.

Robert Wardell, Principal of Wardell Architects gave an overview of their design approach to the possible remodel of the Courthouse exterior. He said the logical design would be to clearly define performance requirements; study the history of the building; test and determine material properties and evaluate alternative strategies. He noted options for a curtain wall, while recognizing the least amount of disruption to employees during the project, the cost and overall efficiency. He questioned what part of the current system could be saved, and would it make sense.

It was noted that the City of Ellensburg design review committee would need to approve the design. The Board questioned payments on the project. He said they would charge as time and expense (which is billed monthly), including an amount not to exceed, for each phase of the project. Mr. Wardell said he would like to meet with County representatives on a weekly basis during the project to update them on the progress.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.