THOSE PRESENT: Alan Crankovich, David Bowen, Perry Huston, Patti Johnson (DPW), Kelly Bostick (DPW), Brandon Drexler (DPW), Jan Ollivier (DPW), Jim Hurson (PAO), Cathy Bambrick (PHD), Kirk Eslinger (HR)

GUESTS PRESENT: None

MILLER PIT: Interim Director Patti Johnson stated that during our lease at Miller pit in 1996 the county agreed to construct a fence for Mr. Miller. When the County started the survey to construct the fence Mr. Miller stated that he did not want it built yet so it was dropped. Mr. Miller has since requested the county build the fence.

During the June 26, 2006 Study Session it was stated that the County's legal opinion was that we couldn't build the fence because the statute of limitations have run out and it could run into a gifting issue. Since then the County's legal opinion has changed. Commissioner Bowen stated that Mr. Calkins has decided legally we can build the fence. The estimated cost for 900 feet of fence from M2 would be approximately $4.00 – $7.50 a foot.

It was suggested that the County should place a termination date in agreements.

Board Direction: BOCC directed staff to prepare documents to put the fence in.

MIDSTATE LANDSCAPING: Brandon Drexler stated that the landscaping in front of Midstate Aviation is really well done. Due to the Bowers Road project, a lot of the landscaping has been removed for sidewalks. Brandon suggested an alternative to ripping out more landscaping by placing a retaining wall. The cost
should not be too much more than the original plan and we get to keep the nice landscaping on County ground.

**Board Direction:**

**KITTITAS HIGHWAY CLOSURE:** Interim Director Patti Johnson stated that the Kittitas Highway will be closed from Bull Road to No. 6 Road on July 5, 2006 – July 28, 2006. This is just an FYI so that if the Commissioners Office gets any complaints they are aware of the closure ahead of time. Commissioner Crankovich stated that they had received a complaint from Karen Poulsen in regard to the closure.

**Board Direction:** No Board Direction

**SUNCADIA MAINT. AGREEMENT:** Interim Director Patti Johnson stated that Steve Lathrop has requested to have this item removed from the Study Session Agenda. Mr. Lathrop is unable to attend today. Jan Ollivier stated that Suncadia wants the County to be responsible for any public damages done to the Suncadia Landscaping.

**Board Direction:** BOCC directed staff to bring forward the Counties Version to the July 18, 2006 Agenda

**ALFORD ROAD VACATION:** Interim Director Patti Johnson stated that there are some cleanup documents that need to be taken care of from last year. Brandon stated that in old documents it looks like it was requested to have a title search done. The estimated cost to have this done is $2,500.00 - $5,000. There is a section in the middle of the right of way that is owned by Mr. Peterson.

**Board Direction:** BOCC Directed staff to have Title Search done regardless of cost.

**GUN CLUB LEAD REMOVAL:** Interim Director Patti Johnson updated the BOCC on the status of the Lead Removal at the Gun Club. She stated that the Gun Club has informed us that because we have disturbed the land, the lead is unable to be mined. It was
discussed that they would like to leave Jim Van De Venter out of this issue because he is a member of the Gun Club and Road Supervisor for Kittitas County, leaving him in the middle of the situation. It was suggested to invite George Seubert from the gun club to have a meeting with the County.

**Board Direction:**

- **BOCC Directed staff to send out letter to set up a meeting with George Seubert.**

**CANYON ROAD VACATION:** Interim Director Patti Johnson stated that the BOCC had signed a resolution for the Canyon Road Vacation with exception to grant an easement. The Vacation has not been completed. Commissioner Houston was concerned as to why we had not completed this yet. This vacation without granting an easement would leave a parcel land locked. WSDOT also needs access.

**Board Direction:**

- **BOCC Directed staff to set a Public Hearing for all those with opinions on the subject to attend.**

**CUMULATIVE IMPACTS:** Interim Director Patti Johnson stated that Public Works would like more direction as to what the Board would like in the subject of Cumulative Impacts. Perry Huston stated that SEPA is the Responsible Agent. He would like Public Works to get a feel for developers. Look ahead in development and ramp up improvements. Also possibly get in the habit of using R.I.D. Commissioner Bowen would like to know how it contributes to future developments.

**BOARD DIRECTION:**

- **BOCC Directed staff to find out how this contributes to future development by communicating with SEPA and to get in the habit of using R.I.D.'s**

**FOWLER CREEK IMPROVEMENTS:** Interim Director Patti Johnson informed the BOCC of Pat Deneen’s Inquiry on possible Road Improvements. He would like to have a possible account to build up until account is big enough to build road. Commissioner Huston stated his concern of when would the account have enough to complete the road improvements? Commissioner Crankovich stated that he doesn’t believe that the road would ever be allowed to be built because of the distance from the creek. Back in the 1980’s the County moved the creek over up to Granite Creek. Short of buying
Land you won't be able to do anything. Fowler Creek intersection has to be redone.

**BOARD DIRECTION:** No Board Direction

**Additional Items:** Commissioner Crankovich stated that the Bull Frog Roundabout has caused an increase in traffic on Shaft Street. He has received phone calls in regards to the possibility of having speed bumps placed on Shaft Street. Commissioner Huston stated that the Sheriff's office should be patrolling this area and that maybe someone should give them a heads up on the situation.

**BOARD DIRECTION:** BOCC directed staff to research what the law says about speed bumps. Commissioner Crankovich will contact Sheriff's office

**PUBLIC HEALTH ITEMS:**

**HEALTH PROMOTION MANAGER/ASSESSMENT COORDINATOR:** Kathy Bambrick stated that the Health Promotion Manager and the Assessment Coordinator are very closely related positions and that she has two candidates in her pool of applicants that would be able to do both jobs as one rather than have two separate part time positions. She would like to ask the Board to allow her to combine the positions. Commissioner Huston asked if aside from the two applicants, would these two jobs together, be able to be filled by other applicants in the future? Kathy believes that there is no reason for two separate positions. Commissioner Bowen stated that he would like to take a closer look into the Public Health job descriptions. Commissioner Huston stated that he would be more than willing to have Commissioner Bowen look into this issue.

**BOARD DIRECTION:** BOCC directed staff to combine positions into one
Meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

Patti Johnson
Interim Public Works Director