THOSE PRESENT: Perry Huston, David Bowen, Alan Crankovich, Ryan Berge (DPW), Jim Van de Venter (DPW), Brandon Drexler (DPW), Patti Johnson (DPW) Kelly Carlson (DPW)

GUESTS PRESENT: None

PERSONNEL REQUEST: Ryan Berge (DPW) submitted a proposal for two additional operators for upper county crew. There was discussion on hiring one person as a mechanic and using as an operator if needed, but wondered if we would run into union issues. Commissioner Huston asked what the budget impacts were and Patti Johnson (DPW) stated that she thought one operator was still in the budget but that she would check into and report back.

Board Direction: BOCC approved Public Works to hire one full time operator now and then nail down the other job description. Hire second position after the first of the year.

ELLENSBURG CEDAR: Kelly Carlson (DPW) stated that Ellensburg Cedar is trying to sell his building that sits on leased airport property. The question is, if he sells will we reassign to the new owner or have them sign a new lease.

Board Direction: BOCC stated that the new owner would assume/assign the existing lease until the lease is up for renewal.

CASCADE IRRIGATION: Brandon Drexler (DPW) stated that issues have come up with existing culverts that are no function for the county but ownership is still the question. Commissioner Huston stated that we would not make any existing culvert owners do any franchises but any new ones would have to do the agreement.
Board Direction: BOCC directed staff to require a franchise from Cascade Irrigation District on any new culverts they want to put in and inventory the existing or old ones.

VISTA VIEW ESTATES: Director Piercy (CDS) stated that the mylars had been presented and signed by all except Env. Health and CDS. He stated that the applicant made changes to the mylar and that not all departments have had a chance to review. He discussed the issues that had arisen such as the addition of the church, lack of review by the city fire dept., etc. He stated that the plat should not have been brought before the BOCC incomplete. He also stated that there needs to be a better process for signing the plat by all departments and for it to be complete prior to asking the BOCC for approval. Commissioner Huston stated that Staff needs to take responsibility for the process and its completeness. He also stated that we need to get anything the city comments in writing.

Director Piercy (CDS) stated that once the mylars are finalized the church will require a plat amendment and the property owners will then have to sign off on that.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Patti Johnson
Interim Public Works Director