Board members present: Chairman Mark McClain and Vice-Chairman Alan Crankovich. Absent: Commissioner David Bowen.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Darryl Piercy, Director of Community Development Services; Mandy Robinson, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Joanna Valencia, Staff Planner; Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director; Scott Turnbull, Staff Planner; Brandon Drexler, Public Works Director; William Holmes, Director of Probation Services; Debbie Myers, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Director; Leslie Tackitt, Case Manager for Misdemeanant Probation; Kristen Demory, File Clerk and approximately nine (9) members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman McClain called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman McClain led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES

William Holmes, Director of Probation Services, introduced Leslie Tackitt as their new Case Manager in the Misdemeanant Probation department.

Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board, introduced Kristen Demory as the new part time File Clerk in the Commissioner’s Office.

PROCLAMATIONS – NONE

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS – NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman McClain noted three items added under Administrative Matters including Board Appointments, a Proclamation and a request to set a Public Hearing.

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Chairman
McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

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 Crankovich moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

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AGREEMENT DSHS/DISPOSITION ALTERNATIVES 2008-2009 JUVENILE

Approve and authorize the Chair to sign a Program Agreement Number 0863-34081, with the Washington State Department of Social & Health Services, Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, for Disposition Alternatives for the period January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

LETTER NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK COMMISSIONERS

Approve and authorize the Board to sign a letter to teachers in the Kittitas County elementary schools advising them of the Kittitas County Commissioners office coloring/drawing contest for all elementary school children grades K-5, in honor of National County Government Week to be held April 6 through April 12, 2008, noting the theme “Protecting Our Children”.

AGREEMENT DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY/ALTERNATIVES TO BURNING SOLID WASTE

Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Coordinated Prevention Grant No. G0800403, Alternatives to Burning between the State of Washington, Department of Ecology and Kittitas County Solid Waste, in the amount of $1,071,982.00 (of which 25 percent match will come from the Solid Waste Department’s reserves), for the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009, to be used to develop a compost facility to manage the land clearing and yard waste debris from the urban growth areas of Kittitas County.

CONTRACT IBS OF APPLE VALLEY SOLID WASTE

Approve and authorize the Chair to sign a Contract between Kittitas County and IBS of Apple Valley for recycling and or disposal of batteries beginning February 1, 2008 through February 1, 2009.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS COMPOST FACILITY SOLID WASTE

Approve a Request for Qualifications for a Countywide Compost Facility to be received by the Kittitas County Solid Waste Department until March 21, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. at 925 Industrial Way, Ellensburg, Washington, and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

AGREEMENT CITY OF ELLENSBURG LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS

Approve an Agreement between the City of Ellensburg and Kittitas County, to provide library services to residents of the County, in the amount of $88,000.00 for the period beginning January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.
AGREEMENT  CITY OF KITTITAS LIBRARY  COMMISSIONERS

Approve an Agreement between the City of Kittitas and Kittitas County to provide library services to residents of the County, in the amount of $6,600.00 for the period beginning January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

APPOINTMENT  CAROL REID – BOARD OF EQUALIZATION  COMMISSIONERS

Approve the appointment of Carol Reid to the Kittitas County Board of Equalization (noting she had been serving as an alternate member) for a term effective immediately and expiring on December 31, 2008.

APPOINTMENT  JOHN UFKES – MH/DD  COMMISSIONERS

Approve the appointment of John Ufkes to the Kittitas County Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities Program Board for a term effective immediately and expiring on December 31, 2010.

VOUCHERS  810196438 – 810196439  AUDITOR

Approve and authorize the Board to sign Voucher Numbers 810196438 through 810196439 in the amount of $11,108.06.

CALL FOR BIDS  LIQUID ASPHALT – 2008  PUBLIC WORKS

Approve a Notice of Call for Bids to furnish Liquid Asphalt for the Year 2008, to be accepted until March 11, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at the Kittitas County Public Works Department 411 N. Ruby, Suite #1 Ellensburg, Washington and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

CALL FOR BIDS  CRACK SEALANT MATERIALS – 2008  PUBLIC WORKS

Approve a Notice of Call for Bids to furnish Crack Sealant Materials for the Year 2008, to be accepted until March 11, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at the Kittitas County Public Works Department 411 N. Ruby, Suite #1 Ellensburg, Washington and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

CALL FOR BIDS  ASPHALT MATERIALS – 2008  PUBLIC WORKS

Approve a Notice of Call for Bids to furnish Asphalt Materials for the Year 2008, to be accepted until March 11, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at the Kittitas County Public Works Department 411 N. Ruby, Suite #1 Ellensburg, Washington and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

CERTIFICATION  COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD  PUBLIC WORKS

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Approve and authorize the Chair to sign a Digital Submittal Certification to the County Road Administration Board for the 2008 Road Levy and Estimated Revenue.

SET CLOSED RECORD MEETING  GRANDPA’S RANCH REZONE (Z-06-42)  CDS

Approve setting a Closed Record Meeting for the Grandpa’s Ranch Rezone (Z-06-42), an application from Jeff Slothower, authorized agent for Grandpa’s Ranch LLC, landowner, for a zone change from Forest and Range to Rural-3 of approximately 150.00 acres located west of Pasco Road and South of I-90, Cle Elum, Washington, to be held on Tuesday March 3, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioner’s Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Ellensburg, Washington.

CORRESPONDENCE – NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

APPOINTMENT  JASON GRANT – PLANNING COMMISSION  COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Crankovich moved to appoint Jason Grant to the Kittitas County Planning Commission, District #3, for a term effective immediately and expiring on December 31, 2010. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

APPOINTMENT  CATHY BAMBRICK – HOMELESSNESS ASSISTANCE  COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Crankovich moved to appoint Cathy Bambrick to the Homlessness Assistance Act Planning Committee. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

PROCLAMATION  PEACE CORPS  COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve a Proclamation recognizing February 25 through March 3, 2008 as Peace Corps Week in Kittitas County. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

SET PUBLIC HEARING  VANTAGE WIND POWER PROJECT  COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Crankovich moved to set a public hearing to consider the Vantage Wind Power Project (File No. WSA-07-01), an application submitted by Invenergy Wind North America LLC (IWNA) for siting a wind farm in a pre-identified area pursuant to Kittitas County Code 17.61A.035 consisting of a maximum of 69 wind turbines located on approximately 4,750 acres with a maximum height of 389 feet (ground to blade tip), located North of I-90 and South of Vantage highway between Kittitas and Vantage and is approximately 7 miles West of the Columbia
River and approximately 3 miles Southeast of the Wild Horse Wind Power Project, to be held on March 12, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Manastash Room at the Kittitas County Events Center 512 North Poplar, Ellensburg, Washington, and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - NONE

BOARD DISCUSSION & DECISION

REQUEST CITY OF ELLENSBURG–WEST ELLENSBURG PARK FUNDING COMMISSIONERS

Brad Case, City of Ellensburg Parks & Recreation Director, reviewed the history and usage of the West Ellensburg Park expansion. He thanked the Board of County Commissioners for their generous support over the past years. He requested an additional amount of $120,000.00 to be used as a matching grant for the purchase and installation of field lights at the softball fields. He indicated they hoped to have the lights up by the beginning of June.

Ron Criddlebaugh, Executive Director of the Ellensburg Chamber of Commerce, reviewed the project and said by having field lights at the park said it would be a great economic benefit for both the County and City.

Vince Curtis, President of the Ellensburg Youth Baseball Program said there are approximately 500-600 kids who are enrolled in their program and benefit from the park. He indicated the numbers are about split down the center of those who live in the City and those who live in the County. He said they have several tournaments scheduled this year and the lights will assist them in being able to run the games longer in the day.

Jeff Greer, representing the afternoon Rotary Group, reviewed the history of the group who were put together over 10 years ago by the County Commissioners, to investigate the expansion of West Ellensburg Park. He said over the years it has help put in over $10 million dollars of tourist monies from those who come from out of the area to play in tournaments etc. He requested an additional $100,000.00 from Kittitas County to assist with the last part of the project which would include the final baseball field. He said if the Board supported the request an Agreement would be put in place between the County and the Rotary Club as it was done before.

The Board indicated although they were supportive of the project, they would like to check the status on the REET funds available before making a decision. Chairman McClain asked the City for a breakdown of expenditures. Mr. Case said he would bring it to the Board before the next meeting for their review.
Commissioner Crankovich moved to continue the request from the City of Ellensburg and the Rotary Club to Tuesday March 4, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Ellensburg, Washington. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

**AGREEMENT**

**DEPT. OF ECOLOGY – 30 DAY EXTENSION**

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve and authorize the Chair to sign upon receipt, a 30 day extension to the Agreement in Principle between the Department of Ecology and Kittitas County. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

**RESOLUTION 2008-25**

**APPEAL MARKUS SHORT PLAT**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Commissioner Crankovich moved to approve Resolution No. 2008-25, reversing the decision of the Road Variance Committee and approving the variance request filed by Jack Henry, in relation to the Markus Short Plat, Lot #3. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

**CLOSED RECORD MEETING**

**GLEASON 14-LOT PERFORMANCE BASED CLUSTER**

Joanna Valencia, CDS Staff Planner, explained that Items D, E, F and G were all reviewed cumulatively under SEPA, but the Planning Commission took four separate actions.

She reviewed the following applications including the Gleason 14-lot Performance Based Cluster Preliminary Plat (P-07-24); Taylor Performance Based Cluster Preliminary Plat (P-07-26); Fremmerlid Performance Based Cluster Preliminary Plat (P-07-34) and the Cameron Performance Based Cluster Preliminary Plat (P-07-36).

She indicated the Comprehensive Plan’s Land Use Element designates the subject property as Rural and the current zoning as Rural-3. The Planning Commission voted to forward a recommendation of denial of the four preliminary plans with a vote of 2/1/1, with 2 members voting for, 1 member voting against and 1 member abstaining (3 members were absent). She said the Planning Commission felt the projects were located in an environmentally sensitive area and they had concerns regarding to impacts to the floodplain and the Teanaway River. They also found that an adequate water supply had not been determined for the entire projects and the projects would need to be developed in phases as a result to address adequacy of water rights, and the applicants failed to produce a phasing plan.

Chairman McClain questioned the issues relating to water. Darryl Piercy, Director of Community Development Services, felt a water right
would be required for the project to move forward and noted they had looked at the cumulative impacts for all four project applications. Commissioner Crankovich noted a discrepancy with the traffic analysis conducted on the four applications, noting the Taylor was different at 610 trips per day. He noted the potential for mitigation with the State Highway, but there was nothing indicating any improvements to County Roads in the record.

Commissioner Crankovich moved to follow the Planning Commission’s recommendations to deny the Gleason Performance Based Cluster Preliminary Plat (P-07-24) and to direct staff to prepare enabling documents. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

CLOSED RECORD MEETING    TAYLOR 14-LOT PERFORMANCE BASED CLUSTER      CDS

Commissioner Crankovich moved to follow the Planning Commission’s recommendations to deny the Taylor 14-Lot Performance Based Cluster Preliminary Plat (P-07-26) and direct staff to prepare enabling documents. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

CLOSED RECORD MEETING    FREMMERLID 14-LOT PERFORMANCE BASED CLUSTER      CDS

Commissioner Crankovich moved to follow the Planning Commission’s recommendations to deny the Fremmerlid 14-Lot Performance Based Cluster Preliminary Plat (P-07-34) and direct staff to prepare enabling documents. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

CLOSED RECORD MEETING    CAMERON 14-LOT PERFORMANCE BASED CLUSTER      CDS

Commissioner Crankovich moved to follow the Planning Commission’s recommendations to deny the Cameron 14-Lot Performance Based Cluster Preliminary Plat (P-07-36) and direct staff to prepare enabling documents. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Crankovich moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m. Chairman McClain seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.