

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS AUDITORIUM
SPECIAL MEETING**

MONDAY

2:30 P.M.

FEBRUARY 2, 2009

Board members present: Chairman Alan Crankovich; Vice-Chairman Paul Jewell; Commissioner Mark McClain.

Others: Mandy Robinson, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Cathy Bambrick, Homelessness Committee Member; Nancy Goodloe, Homelessness Committee Member; Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager; Jerry Pettit, Auditor.

SPECIAL MEETING 2163 & 2060 GRANT PROCESS COMMISSIONERS

At approximately 2:30 p.m. **CHAIRMAN ALAN CRANKOVICH** opened a special meeting to review & discuss the grant process for the 2160 & 2163 funds.

Nancy Goodloe, Homeless Committee Member indicated she had provided the Commissioners (prior to the meeting) a copy of the Affordable Housing funds grant application, guidelines, and instructions as well as a copy of the Homelessness Prevention and Reduction funds grant application, guidelines, and instructions. She explained that her goal today was to see what suggestions or changes the Commissioners might have after their first glimpse at the documents. She explained that in some of the sections of the two grant applications they will notice that the documents mirror the other. She expressed her hopes of the document meeting the expectations of what the Commissioners were hoping to receive from the Committee. She indicated that once they had an agreed upon the document and had received all feedback from the Commissioners, did not know what the following steps would be after they had a concrete document. She also explained that the Prosecutor's Office is currently involved in reviewing the two documents and they are incorporating their legal advice as it comes in.

Commissioner McClain reviewed changes he would propose in the Homelessness packet before them. He indicated he would send an electronic copy to Ms. Goodloe referencing the changes he proposed and explained that the majority of changes were regarding consistency in the committee name as well as in some areas he felt there was redundancy. He indicated that the same changes would need to take place on the Affordable Housing packet regarding consistency in the Committee name and the redundancy's that took place on the Homelessness packet.

The Board expressed concerns over the County being put in a position of essentially making mortgage payments for applicants. They felt that even from a legal standpoint its not something they want to get the County bound to.

Commissioner Jewell questioned the possibilities of short-term loans.

Judy Pless expressed her concerns on the Affordable Housing Packet. She referenced section (F.) labeled (eligible activities)and her concern was regarding Capital acquisition, rehabilitation or new construction.

The Board indicated that at this time it would be best to take out the Homeowners Assistance piece since they were uncomfortable with that area of the packets.

Commissioner McClain indicated that he would like to see a proposal for land trust.

The Board said they would support the application once the County legal staff has reviewed it and it had been adopted by the Commissioners they explained they would have Staff post the applications on-line for the public to access.

The Commissioners expressed their thanks to the Kittitas County Homelessness and Affordable Housing Committee for all their hard work.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Mandy Robinson

Alan Crankovich, Chairman