

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM
SPECIAL MEETING**

WEDNESDAY

1:30 P.M.

AUGUST 17, 2011

Board members present: Chairman Paul Jewell, Vice-Chairman Alan Crankovich and Commissioner O'Brien.

Others: Mandy Robinson, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor; Suzanne Becker, Deputy Prosecutor; Brenda Larsen, Fire Marshal; Bill Steele, Deputy Fire Marshal.

SPECIAL MEETING

FIRE CODE

COMMISSIONERS

At 1:30 p.m. Chairman Jewell opened a Special Meeting to receive updates from the County Fire Marshal regarding the Fire Code updates being proposed to be considered by the Board through the annual Comp. Plan amendments.

Suzanne Becker, Deputy Prosecutor reviewed impact fees and what adjustments would need to be made in order to have them adopted for the County Code. She reviewed how impact fees work and noted that they are governed by statute. She reviewed what the County would have to accomplish prior to the County considering impact fees through the annual Comp. Plan process.

Commissioner Jewel explained his concerns for removing the proposal out of the County Code. He stated that it was the stakeholders who asked for the fee to be put in place. He questioned if this was something that could be fire district specific, since not all districts are interested in the service.

Suzanne Becker reminded Commissioner Jewell that the responsibility has to be taken on by the County, before they can impose an impact fee.

There was discussion on applying the fee uniformly. Suzanne Becker stressed to the Board that regardless of how they chose to look at it, implementing the impact fees and to what extent it will be extremely complicated.

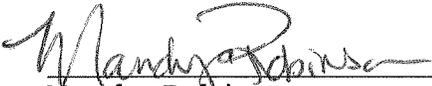
There was review of the tables on page 7 through 9 titled "On Site Water Storage" with and w/o sprinkler options, which were reflecting impacts to Upper and Lower County.

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Brenda Larsen explained that she will make the proposed changes and get a draft document back to the Board by Thursday for their review. She expressed her desire to continue forward motion with this document. She explained that she would like to get the draft document ready to be presented to the stakeholders at a meeting later next week.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD


Mandy Robinson

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Paul Jewell, Chairman