COMMISSIONERS’ MINUTES
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM
REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY March 14th, 2013 10:00 AM

Board members present: Obie O’Brien, Paul Jewell, Gary Berndt

Others: Judge Ellis, Patti Johnson, Matt Anderson, Lisa Lawrence

Meeting called to Order at 10:00am

Discussion was held on Solid Waste Fees and rate increases to cover the $1.00 per ton fee imposed by Douglas County that took effect on February 1, 2013 and the fuel surcharge imposed by Waste Management. Further discussion included implementing a pass through fee as a separate line item at the Transfer Stations.

Discussion was held on lowering the cost of compost, the possibility of having volunteers from Habitat for Humanity bag it, for another outlet and having a giveaway for a ton at the annual Earth day event. Further discussion included competing with private industry, going out to bid to sell a large amount and the beneficial uses of compost.

Matt Anderson informed the Board that the Theme for the 2013 Fair is “Let the Good Times Roll”

There was discussion on parcel research and municipal ownerships of the Fairgrounds.

Matt presented the Board with ESCO grant notification and project list. Discussion was held on involving finance and that the project is budget neutral. The Board directed Matt to bring it to the next Management Team Meeting.

Discussion was held on the emergency exit door and location. Further discussion included having the Fire Marshal involved in the determination and code regulations.

Patti Johnson informed the Board that the Upper District Court Project was going good and that the project would be completed at least a month ahead of schedule. Further discussion was held on the grant project list for the Court including new carpet, painting, lowering the ceiling, lighting and new windows.

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A lively discussion was held on considering completing the entire project which would include a Flag Pole, removable railing and a sign. Further discussion included contingency monies and the minor costs left on the project.

Judge Ellis presented the Board with a phone system proposal and informed the Board that the current phone system for Upper District Court is 30 years old and that they would like to include upgrading it as part of the current project to be paid for through the Trial Court Improvement Fund. Discussion included that no new fees would be committed. Further discussion included types of phone technologies.

Patti informed the Board that the Armory Project will go out to bid around April 19th. Discussion was held on the status of the project, including materials and timelines.

Matt presented the Board with a Contract for additional mapping services with Central Washington University and requested the Board take action today and ratify it on the next agenda due to timeframes. There was discussion about the Contract, modified language and typographical errors.

Commissioner Jewell made a motion to approve the contract with amendments. Commissioner Berndt seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Matt presented the Board with a financial proposal for the Fair carnival and informed them it included a 5% increase in revenues.

Other business: Discussion was held on the locked heating and cooling system in the auditorium. Further discussion included monitoring and keys.

Discussion was held on the status of contracting with an outside cleaning agency. Matt informed the Board he has a site visit scheduled for Wednesday, March 20th.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30 am