

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM
REGULAR MEETING**

THURSDAY

10:00 AM

JULY 11, 2013

Board members present: Obie O'Brien, Paul Jewell

Others: Patti Johnson, Matt Anderson, Lisa Lawrence, Catherine Clerf,

Kirk Holmes in at 10:28

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Meeting called to order at 10:03. Patti Johnson gave the Board an update on Transfer Station operations. The discussion included the new sign being installed through a grant in partner with the Health Department. The pole has been installed and we are waiting on the reader board. Further discussion included connectivity issues throughout the Solid Waste Department and compatibility issues with the County cash tax program and the Solid Waste Accounting system. IT is aware of the problem and troubleshooting the cause.

Patti gave the Board an update on the Upper District Court Project. Discussion was held on the electrical being done and that the ceiling would be done after the lighting was completed through the ESCO project. Further discussion included the acoustics' in the courtroom, the projector being owner furnished and more space in the building and that Judge Ellis purchased and submitted a receipt for a table and chairs for the conference room.

Patti informed the Board the garage door is being fixed. Stating the Architect had drew it one way and scheduled it different.

Patti gave the Board an update on the armory bids that came in. Only two bids were submitted and Patti informed the Board that so far she had met with Belsaas & Smith to go over the bid and look at potential cuts or changes that could lower the costs of the project, including actual cost of the electrical switch, looking at a different type of door for the Eastside of the building and maybe changing the heating system. Patti told the Board that it appears the sub quotes came in high due to the unknown left from the last contractor, stating that the Electrical was the same sub and they basically have to start from scratch to trace wires that have been cut and contractors not wanting to take responsibility for someone

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else's work. Patti informed the Board that she is working with Greg Zemple on bid law questions and looking into other options stating that a Time and Materials Bid might be beneficial. She anticipated having answers and cost saving numbers sometime next week.

Commissioner Jewell added that this project needs to be completed efficiently, quickly and as inexpensively as possible with the most resources.

Matt Anderson gave the Board an update on the ESCO project stating that the pre-con meeting was held on July 2nd and the project would start in the Upper District Court. A lively discussion was held on the appearance of the windows in the East wing of the Courthouse, the elevator still being 6 weeks out and DHAP.

Matt informed the Board that the Public Hearing for the Purchase of the Gerrit's property is scheduled for July 16th and that the only change to the agreement is the earnest money in the amount of \$5000.00.

Matt gave the Board an update on the wireless system at the Event Center stating that the fiber was through the building and hanging access points were installed and they were moving forward with testing.

Other: Matt informed the Board he had a custodian out on medical leave and requested to post a temporary position to cover while he was out. The Board approved.

Patti told the Board that she took offense to the recent posting on the Environmental Health positions salary range, stating that a position with less responsibility has a higher salary range than hers. Discussion was held on the lack of progress in this matter. The Board directed Patti to find comps in-house, work with HR and they would take it into consideration.

Adjourned at 10:40am

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Lisa Lawrence



Obie O'Brien, Chairman