Board members present: Chairman Obie O'Brien & Vice-Chairman Paul Jewell. Excused: Commissioner Gary Berndt.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Robin Read, Public Health Administrator; Gene Dana, Sheriff/Law & Justice Council; Dr. Mark Larson, Public Health Official; Greg Zempel, Prosecutor; William Holmes, Probation Services Director; Doc Hansen, Planning Official and four members of the public.

SPECIAL MEETING SANE FUNDING COMMISSIONERS

At 3:30 p.m. Chairman O'Brien opened a Special Meeting to discuss on the SANE Program Funding and the program's ongoing needs.

Gene Dana, Law & Justice Council Representative stated that the meeting was called due to the Law & Justice Council grant funding not being able to sustain its support for the SANE program. He stated that he felt the Council could continue to contribute some funding, but not full funding.

A roundtable discussion was held on the history of the program and how it was transferred from the County to KVCH. There was discussion on the expenses of maintaining the certifications of the SANE nurses, as well as the forensics' side that they are responsible for in preparing cases for the County Prosecutor. There was discussion on the different areas of the County that benefit from this service and whether or not they are contributing to the expense to provide the services. Mr. Dana indicated that he was aware of the Chiefs of Police for the different areas of the County and their support for the agency paying for the exams. There was discussion on how KVCH has determined whether or not to bill for services or if KVCH just washes the cost. There was discussion on concern for residents being sent out of town for care and KVCH response to that concern was only when the client is under 13 years of age, as it requires a completely different type of skill set.
Commissioner Jewell expressed concerns and some frustrations for this meeting taking place at all. He stated that he felt there was a very fair budget provided and couldn't seem to understand why the caseloads are down but the dollar amount is increasing. He stated that the allotted amount was based on treating 31 victims a year.

The Board expressed their support for the program. Commissioner Jewell felt another attempt at a meeting with Central Washington University (CWU) to pursue a contract with them would be appropriate.

William Holmes, Probation Services Director questioned if there would be funding available from the one tenth of one percent funding.

Commissioner Jewell felt that they need to get a better picture of what is needed and KVCH needs to review and refine its numbers and then have a new presentation to the Law & Justice Council. He stated that he would like to get the key players around a table with CWU to have another discussion on contract funding. He stressed that this will get worked out, as the program is too important to let it go.

SET PUBLIC HEARING 2013 ANNUAL COMP PLAN DOCKET CDS

Commissioner Jewell moved to approve setting a Public Hearing to consider the 2013 Annual Comprehensive Plan Amendments, to be held on Tuesday November 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Avenue Ellensburg, WA and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice. Chairman O'Brien seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:42 p.m.