KITTITAS COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

STUDY SESSION MINUTES
January 13, 2014

THOSE PRESENT:
Obie O’Brien, Gary Berndt, Paul Jewell, Jan Ollivier, Doug D’Hondt, Maria Fischer, Kathy Jurgens, Candie Leader, (DPW); Steph McRill, Lindsey Ozbolt, (CDP); Neil Caukins

GUESTS PRESENT:
Chad Bala, Jill Scheffer

TEANAWAY CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:
Jan Ollivier presented an outline of draft projects that would be beneficial to the Teanaway area. She went over each line separately starting with the Off-Road River access parking. Commissioner Jewell mentioned that former Commissioner Crankovich had suggested this since the public parks along the roadway which is a 55mph zone. Second and third on the list are Vault Toilet replacements/additions to the area to promote a cleaner environment. Next was Off-Road Parking facilities for snowpark and trail heads which goes along with the next item of additional parking in several areas. Also discussed: identification markers of streams, trails and historical markers; horse camping and trailer parking sites and establish trails for horseback riding, snowmobiling, hiking and biking; and to support the trails, mapping and communication materials to promote the recreational opportunities. Doug D’Hondt added that correcting the approaches at the N.F. Teanaway Bridge would be another project to look at. Commissioner Berndt had met with the Friends of the Teanaway and after hearing the draft list of projects it lines up with what he was hearing from the group. They brought up the possibility of riparian fencing for the cattle that graze as well. Commissioner Jewell suggested that coordination with the landowner (DNR) would be a good idea also. Commissioner Jewell asked that the Public Works Department work on a call for projects advertisement that is recreation/infrastructure based to solicit more ideas and consulting. Discussion was then held on the reimbursable costs and what department would manage the projects. Kathy Jurgens did address the Board that Public Works would have some administrative costs associated with the project, since staff would be spending some time on the project.

Board Direction:
No Direction.

Kirk Holmes, Public Works Director