COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONER'S CONFERENCE ROOM
SPECIAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 10:00 A.M. NOVEMBER 5, 2014

Board members present: Paul Jewell, Chairman; Vice-Chairman Gary Berndt and Commissioner Obie O'Brien.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Chris Horner, Deputy Prosecutor; Lisa Murray, Administrative Assistant III.

SPECIAL MEETING TAX TITLE PROPERTY TREASURER

At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Jewell opened a Special Meeting to discuss Tax Title Property Parcel's # 342636 & 352636. It was noted that the County Treasurer wasn’t able to attend this meeting nor was the Public Works Director.

Chris Horner, Deputy Prosecutor briefed Chairman Jewell on the previous Special Meeting from October 1, 2014.

The Board discussed the options they have to consider. They indicated that they would like some research (survey and legal issues, see if there are similar situations surrounding the parcels) to be done by the County Engineer, Deputy Horner and the Public Works Director and then at a future Public Works Study Session have additional discussion to present the findings of the research that was conducted by them. The Board determined they would not accept the offer to purchase Tax Title Property Parcels# 342636 & 352636. They indicated that they will need to look into whether or not the unpaid taxes can be written off. Commissioner O’Brien stated that he wants the parcels to remain open to the public. Commissioner Berndt and Chairman Jewell agreed.

Mr. Horner cautioned the Board that there could be other potential road easement issues in the Lannigan Springs area.

Commissioner Berndt moved to deny the request to purchase Tax Title Property and directed Staff to send a letter to notify the applicant of the Boards decision. Commissioner O’Brien seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Jewell stated that the Parcels needed to be added to the County Road System and taken out of the Tax Title rolls. He stressed the importance of getting it taken care of as quickly as possible so the Treasurer’s office doesn’t have to deal with the issue any longer.

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APPROVED 11-18-14
Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

Mandy Buchholz

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Paul Jewell, Chairman