

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

WEDNESDAY

2:30 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

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

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Rich Elliott, KCPHD#2-Medic One; Chief John Sinclair, KVER; Judy Pless, Budget and Finance Director; Cheryl Burrows, EMS Coordinator.

SPECIAL MEETING

KC EMS BUDGET PROPOSAL

COMMISSIONERS

At 2:30 p.m. Chairman Berndt opened a Special Meeting to review and discuss the Kittitas County EMS Preliminary Budget.

Cheryl Burrows, EMS Coordinator presented the Board with a packet of materials to review along with her. She stated that due to the significant change in her budget the EMS Council began sharing the proposed budget back in June so that when citizens saw a 31% increase they wouldn't be caught off guard. She reviewed the individual jurisdiction percentage's increased and explained that it's based on population. She provided a summary of the EMS Office and EMS Coordinator and their required administrative support functions, 2013/2014 EMS Strategic Position Project, Meeting Strategic Goals as well as what the need is and what's currently wrong. She presented the draft EMS Assistant job description increasing it to fulltime and the WAC's for the Medical Program Director.

The Board thanked Ms. Burrows for the briefing and explained to her that all the other departments in the County will be coming forward with requests during the 2016 budget season also. They asked Ms. Pless to put the EMS proposed budget in as requested and when they consider the budgets they will see how everything plays out. They stressed that they cannot guarantee funding nor any particular amount of the budget at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

**KITITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Mandy Buchholz


Gary Berndt, Chairman

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