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

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman O’Brien opened the Office Administration meeting.

The Board of County Commissioners reviewed their weekly calendar.

The Board of County Commissioners approved and signed County Employee Personnel Action forms and vouchers.

The Board of County Commissioners reviewed the weekly Correspondence Log, a listing of all incoming mail and correspondence for the week ending February 26, 2016.

Each Commissioner was assigned three different Department Heads to meet with on a weekly basis. This was determined at a Special Meeting with the Board of County Commissioners held on June 18, 2009. Each Commissioner reviewed discussions held with their respective departments and exchanged details of those meetings. On January 3, 2011 the Board determined it would be beneficial to alternate Commissioners that will oversee the different Department Head’s on an annual basis. They determined at the end of 2013 they would review the various committees they participate in and provide beneficial updates to the Board as needed during this time as well.

Commissioner Berndt presented the Board with a Memorandum of Agreement on between Kittitas County & Evergreen Forest County Group
A Rural Public Lands County Council Affiliate. He stated that Mr. Weidner has requested $10,000.00 this year which would reflect a raise from the $7,500.00 it has been.

The Board directed Commissioner Berndt to request an updated MOA and Invoice showing $8,000.00, (not $10,000.00). They indicated that they would be willing to increase to $8,000.00, noting that once that is corrected they would approve the MOA.

DISCUSSION

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Commissioner Jewell expressed concern with regard to the cost of the recent NACO DC trip. He explained that the information he and Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board have obtained reflect that WSAC only pays up to $2,000.00 (up to $4,000.00 - 2 NACO trips) and as of right now the cost for the last trip to DC for NACO is growing closer to $4,000.00, give or take some. Chairman O'Brien stated that is incorrect and that the language he has indicates that NACO will reimburse up to $4,000.00 and that was updated at their last meeting. He explained that he didn't intend on spending that much and felt he had a good idea of where he was in the WSAC funds, budget wise. He stated anything that goes over what they pay he will pay the difference. Commissioner Jewell stressed the importance of staying in the budget and that the County didn't budget for NACO. He stressed the importance of the Board being present in the County and working for the County that is the ultimate importance. Chairman O'Brien stated that he will look for the information reflecting the revised NACO travel amount and will recheck his figures for the next NACO Conference.

OTHER BUSINESS-N/A

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

Mandy Buchholz

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Obie O'Brien, Chairman

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