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

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II; Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Maintenance Director/Project Manager.

At 3:00 p.m. Chairman Jewell opened a Special Meeting to discuss the Courthouse Space Needs Spreadsheet provided by Architects Rasmussen Triebelhorn (ART).

Chairman Jewell stated that the Space Needs Analysis needs to be refined and then the County needs to get those updates back to the Architect.

Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Maintenance Director/Project Manager stated that she had met with the City of Ellensburg and the Architect and found out today that they will not need to do a Re-Zone, they will need to do a street vacation and two major utilities will need to be moved/worked around which includes water and sewer.

There was discussion of the options the Board has including a ½ block of retail space. Ms. Johnson stated that the proposed site will fit the building and there are options for the Board to consider 2 and or 3 stories for the future Courthouse.

Chairman Jewell indicated that the Board needs to get a feasibility analysis done. He felt that will give the Board the most information to make the best long term decisions. Commissioners O’Brien and Osiadacz agreed.

Ms. Johnson was directed to begin the RFQ process for the Board to obtain a feasibility analysis.

The Board went through each departments request and made changes for Ms. Johnson to take back to the Architect. The Board did determine across the Board that offices selected as “standard” would be changed to “basic”. They also removed the Staff restrooms and noted all restrooms would be for both public and Staff’s use. The Board expressed their interest in hearing back from the Architect after all the changes had been updated.
Meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

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Mandy Buchholz

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Paul Jewell, Chairman