

Law & Justice Study Session Minutes
March 7, 2018
Commissioners Auditorium

Meeting called to order at 0803 a.m.

Present: Commissioners Laura Osiadacz, Obie O'Brien, Paul Jewell, Undersheriff Myers, Commander Higashiyama, Judy Pless with Auditor's Office.

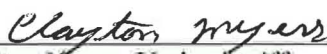
Budget Requests – Undersheriff Myers mentioned that we have one snowmobile broke down and three that are old and needs replaced. We are requesting funding to replace two now and have KSAR fundraise and replace the other two next winter for a total of four. Currently, they are between \$11,500 to \$15,000 each. Commissioner Jewell asked Judy if we can do \$25,000 from General Fund and Judy agreed. Action taken – Commissioner Jewell agreed to purchase and for Sheriff's Office to submit a Budget Amendment.

Undersheriff Myers mentioned Axon, who does Tasers. The Jail has transitioned over, it is the patrol now. To replace is approximately \$72,000.00. Spread out over 5 years (\$18,000 - \$20,000). They provide replacement cartridges. Undersheriff Myers said we did not budget for this; we can cover \$20,000 for this year. Action taken – Commissioner O'Brien said go for it and Commissioner Osiadacz asked that we bring to the board a contract for the Agenda.

Animal Ordinance – Per the Undersheriff, response to dog problems, from our perspective, is to follow state law. Statue allows us to address what we need to address. Commander Higashiyama had an idea where you can establish zones for level of enforcement. Undersheriff Myers said zones are good and Commissioner O'Brien asked if discussed pros and cons of establishing and enforcing zones. Commissioner Jewell said he is concerned about the zones, he said the County is growing. Commissioner Jewell said we can take a look, but we need a dog ordinance. Commissioner O'Brien said he is willing to look at zones, and said to think of language, officer discretion and bring back to us. Commander Higashiyama mentioned he would like to see RCW instead of Kittitas County Code. Commissioner Paul Jewell said it is in effect, we would need a public hearing to repeal. Action taken - Undersheriff Myers said he would put proposal together for Commissioners to review.

No other business.

Meeting adjourned at 08:57 a.m.



Clayton Myers, Undersheriff



Laura Osiadacz, Chairman

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