

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
COMMISSIONERS AUDITORIUM  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**TUESDAY**

**11:00 A.M.**

**DECEMBER 10, 2018**

Board members present: Chairman Laura Osiadacz; Vice-Chairman Obie O'Brien; and Commissioner Cory Wright.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor and 12 members of the public.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**WIEHL ROAD RID**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

At 11:00 a.m. **CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** opened a Public Hearing continued from November 20, 2018 to consider the Formation of Road Improvement District 2018-01 Wiehl Road. She noted the record was open.

**THOSE PRESENT & TESTIFYING:** **DENNIS GIANNOTTI** spoke in favor of the Road Improvement District which would improve safe access, specifically for emergency medical and fire services. **ADAM STROM** said he was in favor of the Road Improvement District and the importance of access for emergency services. **JIM BROUSE** said safety was their main concern and it was about time the road was improved. **LAURA OLENDER** said they were limited to getting safe access to their home and was in favor the proposed Road Improvement District. **THERE BEING NO OTHERS REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.**

**COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN** moved to approve the Wiehl Road - Road Improvement District. **COMMISSIONER WRIGHT** seconded.

**COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN** spoke in favor of the Road Improvement District. He said he agreed with the safety concerns expressed and those needed to be corrected. The need for fire, life and safety is the same for everyone despite how long they reside in the area and that should be considered in the decision.

**COMMISSIONER WRIGHT** said the benefit to the neighborhood was overwhelming and would be in support of the Road Improvement District. **CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** said she was in favor of the Road Improvement District, but felt there were different levels of benefits and they should have an evaluation conducted on the lots (buildable versus non-buildable lots). She said she spoke with the Public Works Department and they said an evaluation would not hinder the construction timeline. **NEIL CAULKINS,**

**DEPUTY PROSECUTOR** said the RCW relating to formation RID's fully contemplates the Board can declare all the lots are benefited equally. He indicated the Assessor could go out and make a determination on the lots but noted uses could change.

Motion carried 2-1 (**CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** opposed).

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

**CLERK OF THE BOARD**

  
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Julie Kjorsvik

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Laura Osiadacz, Chairman