

**KITTITAS COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS STUDY SESSION MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS' AUDITORIUM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 109 - ELLENSBURG
Regular Meeting**

MONDAY

1:30 PM

AUGUST 26, 2019

Board members present: Vice-Chairman Brett Wachsmith, Commissioner Laura Osiadacz

Others: Mark Cook and Candie Leader, Public Works; Calvana Carper, Lindsey Ozbolt, Jeremy Johnston, Dan Carlson, Community Development Services and Five (5) Members of the Public

At 1:30 pm Vice-Chairman Brett Wachsmith opened the Public Works Study Session.

No additional items were added to the agenda.

MERRILL HANGAR PROPOSAL DISCUSSION

Mark Cook stated that staff recently received a proposal from Mark Merrill regarding building a hangar at Bowers Field. Mark Cook continued that Mr. Merrill is requesting to build a hangar to county specifications without utilities to store his aircraft that is currently located in the Tri-Cities and in lieu of paying a ground lease Mr. Merrill would grant ownership of the hangar to the county after the end of the twenty (2) year lease term. Mark Cook added that in his opinion this is a low risk transaction and is looking for BOCC direction. Staff was directed to draft a lease stating the terms as described and bring back for BOCC consideration.

HYAK PARKING

Mark Cook gave background on the continued parking issues at Hyak faced by county staff and the Snoqualmie Pass Utility District (SPUD). Mark Cook continued that SPUD recently reached out again inquiring on imposing a no parking fine by Ordinance and soliciting towing companies for services in supporting the action. Discussion was held. Two (2) members of the public spoke on the issue. Staff was directed to draft the enabling documents with legal counsel and bring back for review prior to setting a public hearing.

GAME FARM ROAD SPEED REDUCTION DISCUSSION

Mark Cook stated that approximately a month ago he met with a concerned resident from Game Farm Road regarding the speed and recent approval of a new development in the area. Mark Cook continued that he drove the roadway at the posted speed of fifty (50) miles per hour with the resident and agreed that the speed was too fast for conditions. Mark Cook added that he had a survey crew go out and

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collect data supporting the speed reduction. Mark Cook suggested setting a public hearing with the BOCC to consider the speed reduction on Game Farm Road. Staff was directed to set the public hearing as recommended by staff.

Meeting adjourned at 1:46 pm



Candie Leader

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Brett Wachsmith, Vice-Chairman