

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM
SPECIAL MEETING**

MONDAY

10:30 A.M.

MARCH 9, 2020

Board members present: Commissioner Cory Wright; Commissioner Brett Wachsmith, Commissioner and Commissioner Paul Jewell.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II; Mark Cook, Public Works Director/Interim County Engineer and one member of the public.

SPECIAL MEETING

LOBBYIST FOLLOW UP

COMMISSIONERS

At 10:30 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith opened a Special Meeting to discuss the two lobbyist candidates the Board has interviewed.

There was discussion on the pros and cons of each lobbyist group Strategies 360 and the Ferguson Group. There was discussion on Federal vs State and the different funding approaches as well as what direction would make the County the most successful.

There was discussion of funding the lobbyist and Director Cook indicated that he would see if they can use the Road Fund to pay for them. He stated that he didn't think it was likely but that possibly a levy shift could be done.

The BoCC determined that the Ferguson Group would be the best candidate for the County to have the most success moving forward. Director Cook stated that he would talk to the Prosecutor and Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Director. Commissioner Wright stated he would make contact with the Ferguson Group to discuss price and a Contract, for the Board to consider.


The meeting was adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD



Mandy Buchholz

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman

APPROVED
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