## COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY

9:50 A.M.

MARCH 23, 2020

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith; Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz & Commissioner Cory Wright.

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

## REGULAR MEETING

## DEPARTMENT HEAD

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Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Project Manager/Interim Maintenance Director stated that she had received a request from the owners of the First and Last Chance (F&L) Tavern asking if the County would allow them to not pay rent due to COVID-19 and the closure of their tavern. She discussed with the Board potential other lessee's that might come forward with the same issue.

The Board directed Ms. Johnson to work with legal.

Commissioner Osiadacz moved to amend the Contract with the F&L Tavern allowing for this on this one-time exception.

Ms. Johnson stated that they had also received a request from a few local attorneys that were previously housed out of the Kelley Realty but as of April they have to be out. She stated that the Attorneys in town were Swartz, Herion, and McBride who were seeking office space at the Morris Sorenson Building. She stated that they need to be close to the Courthouse and are rarely in their offices and when they are its during normal business hours and by appointment. She stated that the three of them had looked around at other options in town and couldn't find anything that would work and be in close proximity to the Courthouse. She stated that she is working with Judy Pless, Budget and Finance Director to asses the rent rate to see that its competitive.

The Board expressed their support noting that they are charged rent at fair market value rent.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Brett Wachsmith, Chairman