

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

**MONDAY**

**1:30 PM**

**MAY 11, 2020**

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

Others: Mark Cook, Candie Leader, Public Works; Lindsey Ozbolt and Mike Flory, Community Development Services

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

**REQUEST TO APPROVE A NOTICE OF CALL FOR SEALED BIDS FOR THE FAIRVIEW ROAD WIDENING AND COLEMAN CREEK STRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

Mark Cook gave background on the project and the right of way issues being worked through with a property owner in the area. Mark Cook stated that the updated right of way documentation was sent to the property owner for review with no response as of today's date. Mark Cook continued that the project will begin in October when the irrigation water is shut-off. Discussion was held. Chairman Brett Wachsmith made a motion to approve a Notice of Call for Sealed Bids for the Fairview Road Widening and Coleman Creek Structure Replacement Project. Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**REQUEST TO APPROVE A NOTICE OF CALL FOR SEALED BIDS FOR THE COLEMAN CREEK CULVERT REPLACEMENT AT VANTAGE HIGHWAY PROJECT**

Mark Cook gave background on the project stating that the bridge had recently been secured and this call for sealed bids is for the installation of that structure. Mark Cook continued that bids are due on May 28, 2020 and will be opened the following week after they have aged. Chairman Brett Wachsmith made a motion to approve a Notice of Call for Sealed Bids for the Coleman Creek Culvert Replacement at Vantage Highway Project. Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**COVE ROAD SPEED STUDY**

Mark Cook stated that a resident in the area of Cove Road requested a speed study be conducted after a fatality in the area. Mark Cook continued that this is the second study done in the area in the last year. Mark Cook added that this study was conducted between February 10 through February 24, 2020. Mark Cook gave background on speed study procedures and guidelines stating that traffic is traveling near the posted speed at the eighty fifth (85) percentile and

calculated speeds show forty-six (46) miles per hour average. Mark Cook added that the geometrics of the roadway are designed for fifty (50) miles per hours and Public Works will bring forward a recommendation to leave the speed limit at the current posted speed limit of fifty (50) miles per hour. Mark Cook commented that a work order to remove brush was requested and that work was done immediately. Mark Cook added that in the area of Hansen/Weaver Roads there has only been two (2) reported accidents in the last five (5) years and zero (0) accidents have been reported in the area Hansen/Cedar Cove Roads. Mark Cook requested the Board give direction to schedule a public hearing for June 2, 2020 at 2pm to receive the Engineer's Report and take public testimony on the matter. Staff was directed to schedule the public hearing for the requested date.

Meeting adjourned at 1:42 pm

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Candie Leader

  
Brett Wachsmith, Chairman