

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

**THURSDAY**

**9:00 A.M.**

**JANUARY 21, 2021**

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

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II; Lisa Young, Human Resources Director; Judy Pless, Budget and Finance Director; Clay Myers, Sheriff; Christopher Horner, DPA III; Doug Mitchell, DPA III; Chris Whitsett, Inspector; Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Jerry Pettit, Auditor.

**DISCUSSION                      ADMIN LEAVE COVID - 19 FOLLOW UP                      COMMISSIONERS**

At 9:02 a.m. Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz opened a Special Meeting as a follow up to the Meeting with the Sheriff from January 13, 2021. She stated that the Board was in receipt of a breakdown from Deputy Horner that outlined the options, risks and caselaw pertaining to the request from the Sheriff.

The Board determined after discussion with Staff that they would be comfortable with the approach that this is a Sheriff's Policy and if he wanted to have "Paid Reassignment" to be used not when and employee is sick, but when an employee must self-isolate due to exposure risk of COVID-19, that it would be sufficient.


Ms. Young also reviewed that there appears to be a proposal from the Biden Administration that may allow for federal leave that they can get reimbursed for.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.

**DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD**

  
Mandy Buchholz

**KITITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
Brett Wachsmith, Chairman

**APPROVED**  
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