

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

FRIDAY

9:00 A.M.

JANUARY 22, 2021

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

Others: Taylor Crouch, Deputy Clerk of the Board I; Dale Walker, Grant County PUD Commissioner; Judy Wilson, Grant County PUD Commissioner; Larry Schaapman, Grant County PUD Commissioner; Nelson Cox, Grant County PUD Commissioner; Thomas Flint, Grant County PUD Commissioner; Mitch Delabarre, Grant County PUD Commissioner; Kevin Nordt, Grant County PUD Commissioner; Richard Wallen, Grant County PUD Commissioner; Clay Myers, Sheriff; Mark Cook, Public Works Director; Neil Caulkins, Chief Civil Deputy; and 4 members of the Public (via Webex).

DISCUSSION

VANTAGE AREA RECREATION

COMMISSIONERS

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Brett Wachsmith opened a Joint Special Meeting with Grant County Public Utility District regarding Vantage Area Recreation.

There was discussion on how both groups saw the purpose and the future of the Vantage area recreation spots, specifically the Vantage boat launch. Currently the Grant County PUD maintains the Boat launch. As the PUD they are required to maintain a specific level of recreation, and they are currently meeting the level required by FERC.

There was discussion about some law enforcement issues during peak use season. Clay Myers, Sheriff stated that 2020 saw more recreation than previous years and that the trend most likely will not be declining in future seasons. Sheriff Myers also explained some of the public safety concerns around the area.

Larry Schaapman, Grant County PUD Commissioner stated their Board was willing to work on options with Kittitas County, but there is a level of compliancy that needs to be maintained. He suggested a collaboration between Kittitas and Grant County.

Commissioner Wright stated he wanted Grant County PUD to re-look at their recreation plan before the next re-assessment was due.

Meeting adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

APPROVED
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DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD I



Taylor Crouch

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman