

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

THURSDAY

2:00 P.M.

JANUARY 28, 2021

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

Others via Webex: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II; Mark Larson, Public Health Officer; Chris Horner, Deputy Prosecutor; Todd Davis, Noxious Weed Program Coordinator and Julie Kjorsvik Clerk of the Board.

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

COMMISSIONERS

At 2:00 p.m. Chairman Wachsmith opened a Special Meeting to consider a proposed Resolution and to discuss supporting HB1355.

Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II stated that she had been working with the Prosecutor's Office and the Public Health Office to try and get ahead of the Special Event Applications coming in. She stated she had already heard from 5 Applicants and was not sure what kind of direction to give them given the un-certainty of the new "Healthy Washington Roadmap to Recovery" and not being able to guarantee what phase we will be in week to week. She stated that Deputy Horner was in attendance and would be giving the Board an overview of the Resolution, he drafted.

Deputy Horner reviewed the Resolution and stated that the Health Department has reviewed the proposed document and is supportive of it. He explained that what it does is provide an outline that the County will accept applications when the State and Local Health Orders are lifted, plus 30 days to allow the County to process, the applications. Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II reminded the Board that the Special Event Application is for 100 or more people attending an event where admission is charged and not for on-going events.

Commissioner Wright asked questions of how this would affect something like a farm stand store where they use this as opposed to the Conditional Use Permit because of the cost involved. He stated he would like more time to consider this as he feels the intent of the Resolution is good for one-time events. He had concerns over events that could take place in Phase one or two and doesn't want to take away their ability to have something. He stated he would like to meet with Staff and work through options to bring back before the Board.

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Todd Davis, Noxious Weed Program Coordinator requested the Board consider supporting HB1355 and explained why it was important to Noxious Weed to get their support. The Board asked Mr. Davis to compile a letter for them to review and they will determine the most appropriate approach to present it whether it be public testimony or submitting the letter in advance. Chris Horner, Deputy Prosecutor reminded the Board of lawsuit with WSDOT and stated that this would resolve issues like that.

Meeting adjourned 2:22 p.m.

DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD II



Mandy Buchholz

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman