

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

THURSDAY

4:00 P.M.

JANUARY 6, 2022

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

Others via Webex: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Patti Stacey, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager; Katrina Mankus, Juvenile Court Administrator; Kristin Foreman, Human Resource Director; Josh Fredrickson, Engineer; Candie Leader, Administrative Supervisor; Sarah Keith, Superior Court Administrator; Dan Carlson, CDS Director; Tristin Lamb, Public Health Director; Val Barschaw, Clerk; Mark Cook, Public Works Director; Diana MacKenzie, Upper District Court Administrator; Chris Whitsett, Inspector; Darren Higashiyama, Chief Deputy; Cori McKean, Jeremiah Johnson, Staff Planner; Barb Demory, Lower District Court Administrator; Toni Berkshire, Code Enforcement Officer; and 7 members of the public.

EMERGENCY SPECIAL OFFICE CLOSURES--INCLEMENT WEATHER COMMISSIONERS

At 4:00 p.m. Chairman Osiadacz opened an Emergency Special Meeting to obtain updates relating to the inclement weather and whether County offices should close on January 7, 2022.

Chairman Osiadacz felt after obtaining an update from Patti Stacey, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager, it would be best to close County facilities on Friday January 7, 2022. Commissioner Wright agreed it would allow additional time to continue to plow, shovel walkways & entryways, and get the buildings ready for employees and customers. Josh Fredrickson, Engineer, provided an update on the County roads and said they have concerns about possible flooding and will be watching the forecast. Darren Higashiyama, Chief Deputy, provided an update and said the hospital is currently on crisis care and they are also watching the forecast for possible flooding. Patti Stacey, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager, said they could use some assistance shoveling entrances to County buildings, and she would work with Carly Brettmann, Communications Director, and Commissioner Wright to compose a message requesting help.

The Board agreed to close County offices on Friday January 7, 2022, due to the inclement weather, and to have Chairman Osiadacz send an email out to all employees notifying them. Employees are to use the

code 22 in Novatime for payroll, which was provided by the Auditors office.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD



Julie Kjorsvik

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Laura Osiadacz, Chairman