

**JOINT KITTITAS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH (BOH) AND BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PUBLIC HEARING  
Meeting Minutes  
June 15, 2023  
Commissioners' Auditorium  
10:00am**

**Present**

**Board of Health (BOH)**: Cory Wright, Laura Osiadacz, Dede Utley, John Asriel M.D., James Donaldson

**Absent**: Brett Wachsmith

**Public Health**: Candi Blackford, Jesse Cox, Chelsey Loeffers, Marie Marchand, Kasey Knutson, Erin Moore, Cambron Walker, MacKenzie Carter, Lianne Bradshaw, Kate Johnson, Audi Martinez, Dora Beukelman, Whitney Wheelock, Mark Larson M.D., Katie Odiaga

**Others**: Andrew Lyons, Hope Source (BOHAC), Troy Jackson KCFD #6 Public Champion Awardee, Arden Thomas (Kittitas County Public Works Department)

*Meeting called to order at 10:02am*

Jesse Cox stepped to the microphone and reviewed the staff report requesting that the Board of Health and Board of County Commissioners approve the proposed changes to the Kittitas County Water Code. Arden Thomas stepped to the microphone and reviewed the language changes being considered for water mitigation regarding cistern water suppliers and short plat requirements for water. All the water codes with minimal changes or language change are listed below:

- 13.03.020- Cistern System
- 13.03.110-Individual Water System
- 13.03.XX-Road (New definition for Road added)
- 12.03.230-Water Quality Test
- 13.20.030-Notification
- 13.20.040-Well Location and Access
- 13.25.020-Applicability
- 13.25.080-Cistern System: Source Requirements
- 13.30.080-Group B Water System-Bonding
- 13.35.020-Applicability
- 13.40.010-Eligability

A copy of the redline water code was sent off to stakeholders in February. They were given thirty days to review and reply with any concerns or recommendations. Any recommendations were considered and/or incorporated into the redline document. Jesse reviewed all recommended changes and asked the board to approve the changes to the Kittitas County Water Code.

The group discussed some of the recommended changes and staff answered questions. Commissioner Wright asked for the definition of "Road" and questioned adequate water determination for platting and building process. Jesse addressed both questions.

Public comment open at 10:28 am

Fred Talerico stepped to the microphone and stated that he has a class B well and has recently received a bill for his well and wondered where the county was getting this fee from. There was nothing on the bill that states how much water was used and would like to be contacted with some information.

Public Comment closed at 10:29 am

**Motion 06-02:** Motion to approve the BOH Resolution 2023-001 to Recommend Amendments to Chapters 13.03, 13.20, 13.25, 13.30, 13.35, and 13.40 of the Kittitas County Code. Dr. John Asriel moved to approve the BOH Resolution 2023-001 to Recommend Amendments to Chapters 13.03, 13.20, 13.25, 13.30, 13.35, and 13.40 of the Kittitas County Code. James Donaldson second. All approved. Motion 06-02 carried to approve the BOH Resolution 2023-001 to Recommend Amendments to Chapters 13.03, 13.20, 13.25, 13.30, 13.35, and 13.40 of the Kittitas County Code.

10:26 am Public Comment BOCC portion

10:26 am Closed public Comment

Discussion amongst board members to amend the presented BOCC Ordinance 2023-005 to Amend Chapters 13.03, 13.20, 13.25, 13.30, 13.35, and 13.40 of the Kittitas County Code. Commissioner Wright directed Jesse Cox, Environmental Health Supervisor, to number the Road definition and include the following definition of road language:

The meaning of road for this Section 13.03.175 will be updated to state that it shall include but is not limited to, any country, state or federal right of way and any private road in accordance with Kittitas County Code Chapter 12 Definitions and Abbreviations. Driveways as defined in Kittitas County Code Chapter 12 are not considered roads under this Chapter.

**Motion 06-03:** BOCC Ordinance 2023-005 to Amend Chapters 13.03, 13.20, 13.25, 13.30, 13.35, and 13.40 of the Kittitas County Code as amended. Cory Wright moved to approve the BOCC Ordinance 2023-005 to Amend Chapters 13.03, 13.20, 13.25, 13.30, 13.35, and 13.40 of the Kittitas County Code as amended. Laura Osiadacz second. All Approved. Motion 06-03 carried to approve BOCC Ordinance 2023-005 to Amend Chapters 13.03, 13.20, 13.25, 13.30, 13.35, and 13.40 of the Kittitas County Code as amended.

Meeting concluded at 10:38 am



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Cory Wright, Commissioner



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Chelsey Loeffers, Director  
Kittitas County Public Health



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Candi Blackford, Clerk of the Board of Health