

**KITTITAS COUNTY  
SOLID WASTE AND MAINTENANCE MINUTES  
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 108 - ELLENSBURG  
Regular Meeting**

<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>October 8, 2024</b>
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**Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith, Laura Osiadacz Vice- Chairman and Cory Wright Commissioner**

**Others: Patti Stacey, Lisa Lawrence, Tyley Mackey, Darren Higashiyama\*, Nancy Shaff\*, Josh Frederickson\* and Sue Patterson\*. (\*Out at 2:15 p.m.)**

**Call to Order at 2:00 p.m.**

**Citizen Comments (1 min. time limit) None**

**Discussion/Approval on Funding Source for EOC:** Josh gave the Board an update on the Departments he has met and worked with regarding the project. He informed them that he researched the Grant requirements, worked with the consultant and that the city permits were in place. He informed the Board he was ready to go out to bid. Josh recommended building out in Phases (Option 2) and asked for direction on the project. Discussion was held on the staff report including the \$6 million build out cost and the \$2.2 million short fall. Discussion was held on 3/10<sup>th</sup> funds, what the 1.1 million grant would cover and the monies already spent on the project and seeking other funding, The Board informed staff they are not ready to make a decision and they would look at it when they work through the budget process for a decision by the first of the year.

**Discussion on Recycling and Yardwaste Level of Service Ordinance No. 2023-008** Patti gave the Board an overview of the Ordinance that was established in 2022 and amended in 2023, stating that now we are to the roll out stage of it and Waste Management sent out 1,388 letters to residents in the Urban Growth area including Suncadia, Roslyn, South Cle Elum and Kittitas letting them know the cost for service which is regulated by WUTC. Waste Management received approval based on the City of Ellensburg's model, which includes an embedded fee for recycling. Waste Management was not allowed to embed the fee because WUTC wanted it to be itemized. Discussion was held on the per month cost of 16.33, only \$3.00 more than the city. Discussion was held on the carry out and higher fee at Suncadia due to their HOA Agreement. Further discussion was held on options for residents including cancelling their garbage service and self-hauling to the Transfer Stations or lowering the cost by opting for a smaller garbage container. Waste Management agreed to looking into a fee for low-income residents through the WUTC.

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**Solid Waste Project Updates** Patti informed the Board that the new Transfer Station Project has begun and that she will be talking with Waste Management about a contract extension for the new facility moving forward.

**Maintenance Updates** Patti informed the Board that the North Parking Lot is open. Discussion was held on non-electric vehicles parking in the charging station spots and contacting the city police if it becomes an issue because it is a violation. Patti informed the Board that Maintenance is working on the drain in IT and that they are having HVAC issues in the control room. Patti informed the Board that she met Josh at the Airport for a walk through of Center fuse. Discussion was held whether it would be considered as a general fund building or airport/public works building for tracking and funding of the maintenance of it. A brief discussion was held on Public Works charging departments a 15% overhead fee.

**Discussion/Approval for a PSA with A-Central for Treasurers and Assessors Wing Repairs** Patti informed the Board that the PSA in the amount of \$18,000.00 was to repair the ceiling in the Assessor and Treasurer office and that they could start on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Chairman Osiadacz moved to approve; Commissioner Wright seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

**Other Business – No Action to be taken** Patti informed the Board that she would be bringing forward a change order to the regular agenda to add the admin building to the new Transfer Station project. Discussion was held on the Morris Sorenson Building, the Berry's Building and the Airport property. Further discussion included the cost of placed modulars and the Armory space.

Meeting Concluded at 2:54 p.m.

  
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Lisa Lawrence

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman