

**KITTITAS COUNTY
BUDGET MEETING MINUTES
BOCC AUDITORIUM ROOM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 215 - ELLENSBURG
Special Meeting**

Monday	10:00AM	October 21, 2024
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Board members present: Brett Wachsmith, Laura Osiadacz, Cory Wright (Absent)
Staff: Brian Carlson, Budget and Finance Director, Bryan Elliott, Auditor, Zack DeHaven, Andrew Yoder, Sue Patterson, Greg Zempel, Prosecuting Attorney, Elishia Harvill, Nick Henderson, Coroner, Cori McKean, Kari Elkins, Katrina Mankus, Karen Bowen, Clerk, Sarah Keith, Pat Gigstead, Emily Brown, Barb Demory, Kara Lesarge, Tasha Potter, Eileen Murphy, Josh Fredrickson.

1. Call to order: 10:00am

2. Citizen Comments (1 min. time limit): None

3. 2025 Preliminary Budget Meeting with Criminal Justice Public Safety (CJPS)

Mr. Carlson discussed the 2025 Budget. Advising the group of the \$10MM problem, with a three year runway. Pending 2025 budget requests include Projects, Capital and Personnel.

3/10th Criminal Justice Sales Tax Fund Balance is \$5MM. Mr. Carlson discussed the Criminal Justice Public Safety Budget focusing on the breakdown of expenses and revenues. Each of the CJPS departments 2025 budget information was presented and compared back to the group and County as a whole. It was noted that Public Defense department will start receiving income from the City of Ellensburg. The request for new positions will be determined after the Superior Court of Washington has a final ruling on case loads requirements.

Greg Zempel had questions regarding the 3/10th Criminal Justice Sales Tax Fund. Discussion was had about acceptable uses. Greg Zempel requested to add new personnel changes to their budget. Commissioners agreed to discuss this further at a later budget meeting.

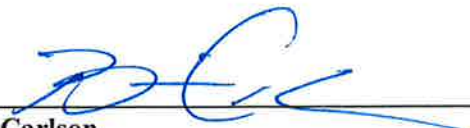
Commissioner Osiadacz suggested discussing anything out of line with the Proforma at future meetings.

4. Collective Bargaining- None

5. Other Business- No Action to be taken

6. Concluded: 10:58AM

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Brian Carlson



Brett Wachsmith, Chairman