

**KITTITAS COUNTY
EC STUDY SESSION MINUTES
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 108 - ELLENSBURG
Regular Meeting**

MONDAY	10:00 AM	October 28, 2024
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Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith, Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz, Commissioner Cory Wright

Others: Kady Porterfield (Event Center Director), Lacie Dawson (Program Manager), Bob Eddings (Fair Board President), Chris Horner (Prosecutors Office)

1. Call to Order: Chairman Brett Wachsmith called the meeting to order at 10:00am

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

3. Approve Board Chair's Signature on Vegetation Management Agreement

Per Porterfield, this was a request from the neighbors as part of the quiet title action for clarifying the parcel ownership that runs under the new Annex by Bloom Pavilion. There are no real changes that affect KVEC or the County and allows the neighbors to continue practices they've already been conducting.

Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz made a motion to approve the Vegetation Management Agreement. Commissioner Cory Wright seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

4. Approve Board Chair's Signature on Final Notice of Termination of Services Letter

Porterfield states all County fire monitoring and services have been transferred from Rells Fire Protection to Johnson Controls. Porterfield will send a final termination letter confirming all services are 100% severed with Rells. Cody Cupp will arrange for final equipment pickup as Rells still has a few pieces of equipment left at the Courthouse.

Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz made a motion to approve the Final Notice of Termination of Services Letter. Commissioner Cory Wright seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

5. Approve Continued Design Work of Rodeo Grandstands Project

Discussions have taken place with Porterfield, Patti Stacey (Project Manager), and Chair Wachsmith. The funding from the Department of Commerce is still being used (to be paid back on a reimbursable basis). Porterfield would like to keep working on lodging tax grant opportunities as they have the funding and there hasn't been a large capital project supported in 5 years. All commissioners agreed that would be a good funding avenue.

6. Other Business - No Action to be taken

Cold Weather Shelter: Hope Source will begin move in on November 1st. November 1st – 14th will be used for Hope Source to setup and train volunteers. The shelter will begin actual operation on November 15th. The contract will be going in front of the Ellensburg City Council for final approval on November 4th. Porterfield is working to find a contractor for the modifications needed in the kitchen of the VIP room.


Ellensburg Rodeo Contract: Porterfield will be meeting with Ellensburg Rodeo President Jensvold to go over the updated lease agreement.

Friends of the Fair: Work continues on an amended agreement between Friends of the Fair and Kittitas County. Porterfield is working with Zempel on sponsorship and livestock sale questions. If needed, the KVEC/Fair office has the capacity to run/assist with the sponsorship program, depending on what avenue the Fair Board wants to pursue. Porterfield will have more information after convention trainings and brainstorming sessions with Fair Board Directors.

Friends of the Fair agreed to cover \$30,000 for roof repairs in Frontier Village. Matt Martin will take the lead on coordinating the roof repairs.

Meeting concluded at 10:19am.


Kady Porterfield

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman