

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

Tuesday	3:00PM	November 12, 2024
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Board members present: Brett Wachsmith, Cory Wright, Laura Osiadacz

Staff: Brian Carlson, Budget and Finance Director, Bryan Elliott, Auditor, Zack DeHaven, Andrew Yoder, Sue Patterson, Clay Myer, Sheriff, Steve Panattoni, Nancy Shaff,

1. Call to order: 3:00PM

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

3. Sheriff's Office Budget Follow Up

Mr. Carlson discussed the General Fund and where current expense reductions have been made to the 2025 budget. The targeted amount for General Fund reduction is \$700 K. Clay Myers (Sheriff) updated the Board on projected revenues and explained that the General fund request for personnel of \$85K has been removed. Corrections anticipate an increase in revenue based on jail services totaling \$1.3 MM. Noting that expenses for food and insurance will also increase. The Board instructed the Sheriff's office and the Auditor's office to work together to finalize numbers. Nancy Shaff (Sheriff) reported that the Sheriff's Office received \$150 K from Ellensburg Police Department associated with the recently acquired Bear Cat tactical response vehicle. \$100 K is requested for a gas system and a command trailer for the Tactical Response Team, while the other \$50K be reserved for maintenance of the Bear Cat.

The Board authorized the requested use of these funds as stated.

4. Union Negotiations- Closed Session-NONE

5. Other Business- None

6. Concluded 3:29pm

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2-18-25


Sue Patterson, Accounting Assistant II

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KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Brett Wachsmith, Chairman