

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
BOCC CONF. ROOM
REGULAR MEETING**

MONDAY

11:00 A.M.

January 27th, 2025

Board members present: Chairman Laura Osiadacz; Vice-Chairman Cory Wright; Commissioner Brett Wachsmith.

Others: Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Stephanie Hartung; IT Director Doug Fessler; Assistant IT Director Zane Kinney; Network/System Admin III Bill David; IT Admin Assistant Grant Shimada

REGULAR MEETING

IT STUDY SESSION

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At 11:02 a.m. Chairman Osiadacz opened the Information Technology Study Session.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

Approval Request to Approve the County's Microsoft True-Up IT

The IT department is making changes to their Microsoft True-Up to comply with Microsoft's licensing requirements and to provide staff the ability to access the new Cayenta system and limited Microsoft services. The County's Microsoft account manager, CDW-G, is performing a license audit to ensure the County's licensing compliance is satisfactory. The IT department received a 3-year agreement quote for a total amount of \$672k, annually \$224k. Once the audit is complete, IT will make adjustments based on this report. Chairman Laura Osiadacz moved to approve the true-up. All Commissioners approved; 3:0.

Vice-Chairman Cory Wright asked if there's any saving benefits to switching the County from using Webex to Teams. The IT department is working on switching the County to Teams but IT Director Doug Fessler informed the Board that the County is on a 4-year phone system plan and court has a complicated audio design system that will take time to deconstruct.

Discussion Social Media Account Direction IT

Assistant IT Director Zane Kinney requested Board direction on IT's concerns involving social media accounts. The former IT committee created a policy for the IT department to be the approver and overseer of social media account creation and usage. IT Director's

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explained these responsibilities are not technology based and are more suited with risk/HR. The Central Services Committee was consulted and agreed that these are not IT responsibilities, and the social media usage policy should be updated and relocated to a more appropriate department's policy page.

Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor Stephanie Hartung has been meeting with Zane to discuss IT's need to rework the social media policy. They believe that the County needs to hire a Communications Director and recreate the Communications Committee. Vice-Chairman Wright directed Zane to analyze the social media topic with the Central Services Committee to determine if a Communications Director is in fact needed. Zane will bring this topic back to the Central Services Committee.

Approval Request to Approve the County's Rubrik Support IT

Director Doug informed the Board that the IT department reworked their Rubrik support plan decreasing the total annual amount by \$40k and requested approval to renew. Commissioner Wright moved to approve the request. All Commissioners approved; 3:0.

Other Business:

Commissioner Wright briefly updated the IT Directors of the Morris Sorensen employee relocation situation. PH Director Chelsey Loeffers is working with MA Director Patti Stacey to get an employee count of who can WFH and who will need a physical spot. The BoCC will find out more of the department relocation needs in a month.

MEETING CONCLUSION

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At 11:33 a.m., Chairman Osiadacz concluded the Information Technology Study Session.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

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Grant Shimada, Admin Assistant



Laura Osiadacz, Chairman