

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
CONFERENCE ROOM  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**TUESDAY**

**1:00 P.M.**

**OCTOBER 14, 2025**

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

Others; County Auditor Bryan Elliott; Jodi Larsen, Office Administrator; Lisa Bugni, Clerk.

LTAC Committee members; Jessica Karraker, Roylene Crawford, Karen Porter, Victor Woodward via Webex and 6 members of the public

**CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE**

**LTAC JOINT MEETING WITH BOCC**

At 1:05 p.m. Chairman Osiadacz opened a Special Meeting to meet with members from the County Lodging Tax Advisory (LTAC) Committee.

Bryan Elliott, Auditor, outlined the Large Capital Grant update on the Washington State Horse Park and the Upper County Rec Center. Both applications had been on hold pending legal review due to the current financial uncertainty with the City of Cle Elum. The Legal Dept states that moving forward with funding to these entities will have no negative impact on the county or the LTAC. Both applications will be on next week's Commissioner Agenda for funding consideration.

Chairman Osiadacz gave an update on the applications stating that the committee has approximately \$500,000 in available funds. The Committee has received over \$1,000,000 in application funding requests. The Committee will make the final determinations during the November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Bryan Elliott, Auditor, reviewed the financial projections and updates stating that there should be no funding concerns on committed projects as the income flow is strong. He went on to say there are 4 areas of focus and/or improvement that are being discussed and there may be changes implemented within the Interlocal Agreements between the County and the municipalities. The Committee will continue to review and bring forth any appropriate agreed upon changes.

Committee member Jessica Karraker and Auditor Bryan Elliott brought forward the committee's discussion regarding the re-utilization of

interest gained from Lodging Tax Revenue. More discussions are on the agenda for future meetings.

**OTHER BUSINESS** - Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Amy McGuffin spoke to the application process and the workshops hosted by the Chamber to assist applicants. She also outlined internal and external grant opportunities which are available to the County for infrastructure that supports tourism.

The meeting concluded at 1:40 p.m.

**OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR**



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Jodi Larsen

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Laura Osiadacz, Chairman