

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
AGENDA SESSION
REGULAR MEETING**

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

APRIL 7, 2026

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

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mandy Buchholz, Office Administrator; Chad Bala, CDS Director; Patti Stacey, Facilities Maintenance Director; Andrew Yoder, Assistant Finance Director; Lisa Bugni, Accountant II; Arden Thomas, Water Resource Program Manager; Stephanie Hartung, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor; Chelsey Loeffers, Public Health Director; Amy Cziske, Treasurer; Bryan Elliott, Auditor; Josh Fredrickson, Public Works Director; and 5 members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wright called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

Chairman Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES - NONE

PROCLAMATIONS

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CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

COMMISSIONERS

Vice-Chairman Wachsmith moved to approve a Proclamation declaring April 2026 as National Child Abuse Prevention Month in Kittitas County. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS - NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice-Chairman Wachsmith moved to approve the Agenda, as amended, by removing Consent Item Q from the Agenda. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

APPROVED

4/21/26

CONSENT AGENDA

At the conclusion of reviewing each item Vice-Chairman Wachsmith moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

DATE	MINUTES
12/18/2025	Joint BoCC/BOH Public Hearing
2/10/2026	Solid Waste/Maint. Study Session
3/9/2026	CDS Study Session
3/9/2026	Public Works Study Session
3/10/2026	Soldi Waste/Maint. Study Session
3/16/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting
3/16/2026	Executive Session
3/17/2026	Commissioners Agenda Session
3/19/2026	Finance Study Session
3/23/2026	Cancelled- BoCC Office Admin
3/23/2026	Cancelled- CDS Study Session
3/23/2026	Cancelled- Event Center Study Session
3/23/2026	Cancelled- Public Works Study Session
3/24/2026	Cancelled- HR Study Session
3/25/2026	Cancelled- Public Health Study Session
3/30/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting
3/30/2026	Event Center Study Session

RESOLUTION 2026-060

OFFICIAL COUNTY NEWSPAPER

COMMISSIONERS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-060, to Award a Contract for the Official County Newspaper to the Daily Record, beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

RESOLUTION 2026-061

AP TRITON LLC

CDS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-061, Authorizing the Selection of AP Triton LLC for the Standard Coverage and Authorize the Kittitas County Community Development Services Director to Negotiate and Sign the Professional Services Agreement.

RESOLUTION 2026-064 DISTRESSED SALES & USE TAX PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-064, Approving the 2026 Distressed County Sales and Use Tax Infrastructure Improvement Program Agreement with the City of Ellensburg, effective January 1, 2026.

RESOLUTION 2026-065 COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-065, Ratifying the Chairman's Signature on the Digital Submittal Certification to the County Road Administration Board for 2025.

RESOLUTION 2026-066 DISTRESSED SALES & USE TAX PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-066, Ratifying the Authorization of the Use of 2026 Public Facility Award (Distressed County Sales and Use Tax) to Support the Washington State Department of Commerce Independent Financial Feasibility Review for Public Facilities District and Ratifying the Chairman's Signature on the Agreement with Commerce for Said Feasibility Review.

RESOLUTION 2026-067 SALMON RECOVERY GRANT PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-067, Ratifying the Chairman's Signature on the Application Authorization Form for a Salmon Recovery Grant Application to the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office for Lower Kittitas Yakima River Floodplain Reconnection Implementation.

LEASE RBR INVESTMENT AVIATION PUBLIC WORKS

Approve a Lease Amendment between Kittitas County and RBR Investment Aviation LLC, for Lot H-24 of the Kittitas County Amended Binding Site Plan.

REQUEST TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER A LEASE WITH DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE KITTITAS COUNTY AIRPORT, BOWERS FIELD - ITEM REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA

RESOLUTION 2026-068 PROPERTY EXCHANGE PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-068, Authorizing Signature on a Real Property Exchange Agreement between the City of Ellensburg, Central Washington University and Kittitas County.

CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - NONE

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - NONE

BOARD DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS

LETTER

CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

COMMISSIONERS

Vice-Chairman Wachsmith moved to approve a Letter of Support for the Central Washington University's collaboration with the City of Ellensburg and Kittitas Public Utility District in pursuit of the Department of Energy's Notice of Funding Opportunity for Geothermal Resource Exploration, Characterization, and Confirmation (DE-FOA-003472). Commissioner Osiadacz seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:31 a.m. Chairman Wright announced the Board would recess into an Executive Session with Josh Fredrickson, Public Works Director, for 8 minutes to under RCW 42.30.110 (g), to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee. However, subject to RCW 42.30.140(4), discussion by a governing body of salaries, wages, and other conditions of employment to be generally applied within the agency shall occur in a meeting open to the public, and when a governing body elects to take final action hiring, setting the salary of an individual employee or class of employees, or discharging or disciplining an employee, that action shall be taken in a meeting open to the public. Action was anticipated.

At 10:39 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. Staff were directed to proceed with personnel changes as discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting concluded at 10:39 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD



Julie Kjosrvik

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Cory Wright, Chairman