

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

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

APRIL 21, 2026

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

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mandy Buchholz, Office Administrator; Chad Bala, CDS Director; Arden Thomas, Water Resource Program Manager; Stephanie Hartung, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor; Chelsey Loeffers, Public Health Director; Cody Cupp, Assistant Maintenance Director; Walter Stebok, Judicial Assistant; Kasey Knutson, Human Services Manager; Maria Rios, Court Administrator; James McCubbin, Deputy Prosecutor III; Jodi Larsen, Office Administrator; Ed Buntin, Jail Lieutenant; Nancy Shaff, Chief Administrative Deputy; Josh Fredrickson, Public Works Director; and 5 members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chairman Wachsmith called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

Vice-Chairman Wachsmith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES - NONE

PROCLAMATIONS

PROCLAMATION COURT INTERPRETER APPRECIATION DAY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Osiadacz moved to approve a Proclamation declaring May 6, 2026, as "Court Interpreter Appreciation Day" in Kittitas County. Vice-Chairman Wachsmith seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

PROCLAMATION THERAPEUTIC COURT MONTH COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Osiadacz moved to approve a Proclamation declaring May 2026, as "Therapeutic Court Month" in Kittitas County. Vice-Chairman Wachsmith seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

APPROVED

5/5/2026

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

The Board of County Commissioners recognized the following employees for milestones: 5 Years: Dennis Robinson and Nickolas Burson. 10 Years: Bradley Melanson and Stephanie Hartung. 20 Years: John Bugni. 25 Years: Marc Eylar.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Osiadacz moved to approve the Agenda, as presented. Vice-Chairman Wachsmith seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

At the conclusion of reviewing each item Commissioner Osiadacz moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Vice-Chairman Wachsmith seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

MINUTES

DATE	MINUTES
3/17/2026	BoCC/Public Hearing
3/30/2026	CDS Study Session
4/1/2026	Executive Session
4/1/2026	Sheriff's Study Session
4/2/2026	Executive Session
4/6/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting
4/6/2026	Whistleblower Complaint
4/7/2026	BoCC Regular Agenda Session
4/13/2026	BOCC Office Admin Meeting
4/13/2026	CDS Study Session
4/13/2026	DPW Study Session
4/13/2026	Public Defense Director Update

CHANGE ORDER

BELSAAS & SMITH CONSTRUCTION

MAINTENANCE

Approve Change Order No. 1 with Belsaas & Smith Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$56,765.64 for the New Regional Search and Rescue/EOC Facility.

AGREEMENT

WASHINGTON STATE PATROL

SHERIFF

Acknowledge Record Sharing Agreement No. TRACS00259 between the Washington State Patrol and the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office, for Traffic and Criminal Software.

RESOLUTION 2026-070

CORONER'S OFFICE HOURS

CORONER

Approve Resolution No. 2026-070, Changing the Regular Office Hours of the Kittitas County Coroner's Office to 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

CODE ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT

CDS

Approve a Request for Qualifications from qualified companies to provide Code Enforcement support services related to property maintenance, nuisance abatements, and court-ordered or voluntary corrective actions, to be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on May 21, 2026, and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

RESOLUTION 2026-071

GRANT COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve Resolution No. 2026-071, Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement between the Kittitas County Public Health Department and Grant County Health District for Shared Epidemiology Services.

RESOLUTION 2026-072

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve Resolution No. 2026-072, Authorizing a Contract Amendment between Kittitas County Via Kittitas County Public Health Department and the Washington State Department of Commerce.

AGREEMENT

PEERS RISING - AMENDMENT 1

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement PHMH-018 between Kittitas County and Peers Rising, for the Peers Rising Warmth and Wellness: Resilience and Life Skills Support in Kittitas County project.

CONTRACT

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve Amendment Number 8 to the 2025-2027 Consolidated Contract CLH32055, between the Department of Health and the Kittitas County Public Health Department.

CONTRACT

WA STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve Amendment Number 2 to Contract No. K7461 between the Washington State Health Care Authority and the Kittitas County Public Health Department, from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028.

AGREEMENT HOPE SOURCE - TEANAWAY COURT/CLE ELUM BUILD PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve Amendment Number 4 to Grant Award #HH-2021-001-HopeSource-CIP for the Teanaway Court/Cle Elum Build, from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027.

CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - NONE

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Tim (did not provide last name) from Easton challenged the Board to look at Easton as a recreational area and how it would be a great long-term tax base.

BOARD DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS

FUNDING REQUEST

OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS

PUBLIC HEALTH

The Public Health Department reviewed a request from the Kittitas County Jail to use funding from the Opioid Settlement. The Board directed Staff to bring forward enabling documents at a later date, which would approve the request as proposed in the Staff Report.

MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE

ADJOURNMENT


The meeting concluded at 10:28 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD



Julie Kjorsvik

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Brett Wachsmith, Vice-Chairman